School: A college-prep boarding and day school for students, grades 6-12, with dyslexia and similar language-based learning disabilities. The School's mission states: "A leader and innovator in dyslexia education with a commitment to the values of kindness, respect, honesty and hard work, since 1926 The Gow School has been helping students with language-based learning differences develop the skills and confidence to succeed in higher education and beyond as creative, compassionate adults and engaged citizens." The School is located in South Wales, New York, 25 miles southeast of Buffalo. The campus has more than 100 acres of fields and woodlands with 23 buildings, five playing fields and five tennis courts. The Gow School is a boarding school of 140 students (26 in the senior class), including an occasional post-graduate and 44 full and part-time teachers. Our students come this year from 17 foreign countries and 26 states. The average class size is six students. The School was permanently chartered by the New York State Board of Regents in 1978 and is accredited by the New York State Association of Independent Schools. It holds membership in the National Association of Independent Schools, The College Board, the International Dyslexia Association, and the Learning Disabilities Association.

SAT I SCORES (Graduating Seniors):

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AVERAGE ACT SCORE:

- Class of 2018: Comp. 21
- Class of 2017: Comp. 22
- Class of 2016: Comp. 23

N.B. These ranges represent scores from all test administrations. The Gow School is convinced that even non-standard (i.e., extended time or scripted) administrations of standardized testing will only provide a partial indication of the dyslexic student's intellectual potential, aptitude for academic work, and scholastic accomplishment.

General Grading System:

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NOTE: The Gow School calculates Grade Point Averages using the quality points awarded for the grades earned in each course reported on the transcript. No distinction is made with regard to the institution granting credit or with regard to the levels or types of courses reported. Questions regarding student GPA calculations may be directed to the Director of College Counseling. Because of its small size and special mission, The Gow School does not rank students, though Gow will provide general decile ranks upon request. The Gow School has an established policy of discouraging so-called “grade inflation,” and works actively with its faculty to avoid awarding unduly high marks.

**2018-2019 Course Offerings and Credit:** This information demonstrates how we create the typical program of courses for our students.

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### ELECTIVE INFORMATION
**Health** - The N.Y. State requirement is .5 credit offered in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade.

**Science** - Any one of the science electives may be taken after completion of Chemistry and Biology (see (b) below).

**Math** - Algebra 1, Algebra 2 and Geometry are required.

**Instrumental Music** – Students in grades 6-12 earn .25 credit.

(a) **Fine Arts** - The N.Y. State requirement is 1 full credit of Fine Arts.

(b) **Science Electives**

- Laboratory Physics                   | 1       |
- Honors Advanced Physics w/Lab **     | 1       |
- Advanced Biology w/Lab (Honors)      | 1       |

(d) **Applied Technology Electives**

- Computer 1                           | .5      |
- Graphic Design                       | 1       |
- Audiovisual Engineering               | 1       |
- Broadcast Journalism                 | 1       |
- Honors Applied Robotics Tech         | 1       |
- Advanced Design Applications         | 1       |

(e) **Other Electives**

- Health (Upper School)                | .5      |
(c) Math Electives

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24 credits are required for graduation.

All courses are taught with an awareness of and accommodation for the learning differences of our students. Care is taken to distinguish between the educational "content" of courses and the skills required for mastery. Skills remediation is generalized throughout the curriculum, by specific programs, teaching strategies, and most especially by a highly structured environment.

An important component of the academic program is the daily structured study hall time which occupies approximately three hours of the average student's day. There, students gradually learn to take ownership for their academic work. Teachers are available in study hall to answer questions or provide technical help. Each academic day, students are encouraged to request a 30-minute tutorial session with teachers in whose courses they may have questions.

By graduation, Gow students have internalized coping, organizational and self-advocacy skills that will serve them for their college careers and beyond.

*1) **Reconstructive Language** is the core course of The Gow School curriculum. Peter Gow designed it in the 1920s, in collaboration with renowned neurologist Dr. Samuel T. Orton. This curriculum undergoes regular revision in keeping with current cognitive and brain research. It continues to be recognized as an excellent approach to the structure and use of English. Reconstructive Language teaches analytical language skills, primarily with the printed or written word. In the earlier years, phonics is mastered in conjunction with vocabulary words, spelling, and practice in oral reading. In grades 11 and 12, Reconstructive Language covers advanced concepts in morphology, etymology, and linguistics. Linguistics Survey is a non-remedial Honors course option for seniors in Reconstructive Language.

*2) **Honors Advanced Humanities** is a research seminar in advanced topics in recent U.S. history and culture. Within the course, strong emphasis is placed on logical and analytical thought, particularly as applied to recent national and world affairs. The course lays equal emphasis on college preparatory content and on critical research methods used at the college level. The culminating activity of the course is the completion of a major research paper. The course simulates the atmosphere of a college classroom.

*3) **PreCalculus, Calculus I, Calculus II, Economics, Advanced Writing, Laboratory Physics, Advanced Physics, Advanced Biology, Journalism, Linguistic Survey and Advanced Art** are particularly challenging electives taught at the college level for well-prepared and motivated students. These courses carry the “Honors” designation. **Students in Economics, Calculus 1, and Advanced Physics courses are eligible to earn college credit through local colleges. These colleges issue transcripts separately upon satisfactory completion of their requirements.**
College Advisor: Charles K. Brown, Director of College Counseling

Graduates: Recent Gow School graduates have been accepted at the following colleges:

Academy of Art University
Acadia University (Canada)
Adelphi University
Albright College
Alfred University
American International College
American University
Anna Maria College
Aquinas College
Arizona State University
Art Institute of Philadelphia
Art Institute of Pittsburgh
Ashland University
Augustana College
Ave Maria University
Baldwin Wallace University
Baylor University
Beloit College
Bethany College
Bethune-Cookman University
Birmingham Southern College
Boston College
Boston University
Bradley University
Bridgewater College
Bristol University (U.K.)
Brock University (Canada)
Bucknell University
California Polytechnic State University
California State Univ.-Long Beach
California University of Pennsylvania
Canisius College
Carleton University (Canada)
Catholic University
Cazenovia College
Central Oregon Community College
Champlain College
Charleston Southern University
Clark University
Clarkson University
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Coe College
Colby College
Colby-Sawyer College
College for Creative Studies
College of Charleston
College of Notre Dame
College of Wooster
Columbia College-Chicago
Columbia University
Cornell University
Cuesta College
Curry College
Daemen College
Dalhousie University (Canada)
Davis & Elkins College
Dean College
DePaul University
Dowling College
Drake University
Drexel University
Drury University
Durham College
D'Youville College
Earlham College
Eastern Kentucky University
Eckerd College
Edinboro University
Elmira College
Elon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Endicott College
Erie Community College
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Fanshawe College (Canada)
Ferrum College
Finlandia College
Flagler College
Florida Institute of Technology
Fort Lewis College
Franklin Pierce University
Furman University
Gannon University
George Mason University
Georgia Southern University
Georgia State University
Grand Valley State University
Green Mountain College
Guelph University (Canada)
Guilford College
Hampton University
High Point University
Hilbert College
Hiram College
Hobart & William Smith Colleges
Hocking College
Hofstra University
Hood College
Hope College
Houghton College
Howard University
Humber College (Canada)
Huntington University
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Indiana University-Purdue University
Indianapolis
Iona College
Ithaca College
Jacksonville University
James Madison University
John Carroll University
Johnson & Wales University
Johnson State College
Keuka College
King's University College (Canada)
Landmark College
LaSalle University
Lasell College
Laurentian University (Canada)
Lawrence Technical University
Lehigh University
Limestone College
Linfield College
Long Island University Post
Louisiana State University
Loyalist College (Canada)
Loyola University of Maryland
Luther College
Lyndon State College
Lynn University
Manhattanville College
Marquette University
Marist College
Marshall University
Marywood University
Menlo College
Mercyhurst University
Mercyhurst University North East
Methodist University
Miami University
Michigan State University
Michigan Technological University
Middlebury College
Millsaps College
Minneapolis College of Art and Design
Mississippi State University
Mitchell College
Montana State University
Morehouse College
Mount Allison University (Canada)
Mount Ida College
Mount St. Joseph University
Muskingum University
New England College
New York Institute of Technology
Niagara County Community College
Niagara University
Nicholls State University
Nipissing University
North Carolina Wesleyan College
Northeastern University
Northern Arizona University
Northern Michigan University
Norwich University
Notre Dame College
Nova Scotia College of Art & Design (Canada)
Nova Southeastern University
Ohio Wesleyan University
Old Dominion University
Ontario College of Art & Design (Canada)  Springfield College  Spring Hill College
Ontario University Institute of Technology (Canada)  SUNY-Alfred  SUNY-Buffalo State College  SUNY-Cobleskill  SUNY-Delhi  SUNY-Fredonia  SUNY-Geneseo  SUNY-Maritime  SUNY-Morrisville  SUNY-New Paltz  SUNY-Oneonta  SUNY-Potsdam  SUNY-Purchase
Otterbein College  Stephen F. Austin State University  Suffolk University  Syracuse University  Tecnologico de Monterey (Mexico)  Temple University  Texas A&M University  Texas Christian University  Texas State Technical College
Our Lady Seat of Wisdom  The Citadel  The College of Wooster  The George Washington University  The Ohio State University  The University of the Arts-Philadelphia  The University of Toledo  Thiel College
Oxford Brookes University (U.K.)  Thompson Rivers University  Trent University (Canada)  Trinity University  Trinity Western University (Canada)
Pace University  Trocaire College  Union College
Paul Smith's College  University of Alabama  University of Akron
Penn College of Technology  University of Arizona  University of Bridgeport
Philadelphia University  University of British Columbia (Canada)
Radford University  University at Buffalo  University of Cincinnati
Randolph Macon College  University of Colorado-Boulder
Regis University  University at Dayton
Rensseiera Polytechnic Institute  University of Denver
University of Guelph (Canada)
University of Hartford
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champlain
University of Indiana-Bloomington
University of Indianapolis
University of King's College (Canada)
University of Maine
University of Maryland Eastern Shore
University of Massachusetts-Amherst
University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth
University of Massachusetts-Lowell
University of Miami
University of New England
University of New Hampshire
University of New Haven
University of New Orleans
University of Northern British Columbia (Canada)
University of Notre Dame
University of Ontario Inst. of Technology (Canada)
University of the Ozarks
University of Pittsburgh
University of Prince Edward Island
University of Texas, San Antonio
University of Prince Edward Island (Canada)
University of Puget Sound
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of the South-Sewanee
University of Surrey (U.K.)
University of Tampa
University of Toledo
University of Toronto
University of Tulsa
University of Utah
University of Vermont
University of Victoria (Canada)
University of Waterloo (Canada)
University of Western Ontario (Canada)
University of Windsor
Valparaiso University
Villa Maria College
Vincennes University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Military Institute
Walsh College
Washington College
Wells College
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Westminster University
West Virginia University
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Western Michigan University
Western New England College
Western State College of Colorado
Western Washington University
Wheeling Jesuit University
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Wilfrid Laurier University (Canada)
Wilkes University
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