Notre Dame Academy, founded in 1949 by the Sisters of Notre Dame, is a Catholic, college preparatory, four-year private high school accredited by the Western Catholic Education Association and Western Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. The school is located in a residential community of West Los Angeles. The enrollment is currently 353 students with 90 seniors graduating in May 2017.

Notre Dame Academy is a Catholic, college-preparatory private high school for young women founded by the Sisters of Notre Dame in 1949. Students commute, coming from approximately 66 zip codes in the Los Angeles area. The Notre Dame Academy student body is enhanced and enriched by its ethnic, cultural and socio-economic diversity: 12% African American, 16% Asian, 31% Hispanic, 29% white, and 12% other. Seventy-eight percent of the students identify themselves as Catholic.

Explanation of Transcript
The school year is divided into two semesters. Five credits are awarded for the completion of a semester’s work in each subject. Grade point averages are weighted on all subjects carrying Advanced Placement notations and those Honors courses approved by the University of California. Notre Dame Academy does not rank its students. Notre Dame Academy is a highly competitive school. The typical NDA student is service-oriented on and off campus, committed to responsible leadership, diligent in academic pursuits, involved in a variety of activities including service, athletics and fine arts. Because leadership is an important component of the Notre Dame Academy educational experience and because NDA wants as many students as are able to access meaningful leadership, students are not allowed to hold primary leadership positions in more than one on-campus club at a time.

Graduation Requirements
240 credits are required for graduation.

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One hundred hours of Christian Service is the minimum graduation requirement, though the vast majority of students exceed this requirement.

Explanation of Grading System
Because of Notre Dame Academy’s holistic approach to education and its commitment to standards of excellence, a student may take a combination of no more than three AP courses and one honors course per semester without administrative approval.

Advanced Placement and Honors Courses

**ART:**
- Advanced Placement Studio Art: Drawing
- Advanced Placement Studio Art: 2-D & 3-D Design
- Advanced Placement Art History

**ENGLISH:**
- Honors Introduction to Literature/Composition
- Honors World Literature/Composition
- Advanced Placement English Language/Composition
- Advanced Placement English Literature/Composition

**WORLD LANGUAGES:**
- Honors Spanish 3
- Advanced Placement French Language & Culture
- Honors French 3
- Advanced Placement Spanish Language & Culture

**MATHEMATICS:**
- Honors Geometry
- Honors Algebra II/Trigonometry
- Honors Pre-Calculus
- Advanced Placement Calculus AB

**SCIENCE:**
- Honors Chemistry
- Honors Physics
- Advanced Placement Environmental Science
- Advanced Placement Biology
- Advanced Placement Chemistry
- Advanced Placement Physics I

**SOCIAL STUDIES:**
- Advanced Placement World History
- Advanced Placement European History
- Advanced Placement United States History
- Advanced Placement Psychology
- Advanced Placement Government & Politics: U.S.

**COMPUTER SCIENCE:**
- Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles
**Mean SAT Scores**

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**Accreditation and Membership**

Western Association of Schools and Colleges (six-year term), National Catholic Education Association, The College Board, Western Catholic Educational Association, Notre Dame Educational Association, twice recognized as United States Department of Education Nationally Recognized School of Excellence (Blue Ribbon Award).

**Offers of Admission**

Notre Dame Academy graduates of the past four years have been offered admission to the following colleges and universities:

Arizona State University  
Berklee College of Music  
Creighton University*  
Cornell University  
Columbia University*  
California Baptist University*  
California Lutheran University  
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo*  
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona*  
California State University, Channel Islands  
California State University, Chico  
California State University, Dominguez Hills  
California State University, Fullerton  
California State University, Long Beach  
California State University, Los Angeles*  
California State University, Northridge*  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Chaminade University of Honolulu  
Chapman University*  
Claremont McKenna College  
College of the Holy Cross  
Colorado State University  
Columbia University*  
Cornell University  
Creighton University*  
Dartmouth College*  
DePaul University  
Dominican University of California  
Duke University*  
El Camino College*  
Fairfield University  
Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising, Los Angeles  
Fordham University  
Georgetown University  
Gonzaga University*  
Grand Canyon University  
Harvard University  
Hawaii Pacific University  
Howard University*  
Johns Hopkins University  
Lehigh University*  
Lewis & Clark College  
Long Beach City College*  
Louisiana State University  
Loyola Marymount University*  
Loyola University Chicago*  
Loyola University New Orleans  
Marquette University*  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences  
McGill University  
Michigan State University  
Mount Saint Mary's University  
New York University  
Northeastern University  
Northern Arizona University  
Northwestern University  
Notre Dame de Namur University  
Occidental College  
Oregon State University  
Otis College of Art and Design  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pepperdine University  
Point Loma Nazarene University*  
Princeton University  
Providence College  
Purdue University  
Regis University*  
Sacred Heart University*  
Saint Mary's College  
Saint Mary's College of California  
San Diego State University  
San Francisco State University*  
San Jose State University*  
Santa Clara University*  
Santa Monica College*  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago*  
Scripps College  
Seattle University*  
St. John's University*  
Stanford University*  
Syracuse University  
Texas Christian University*  
The George Washington University  
The Ohio State University  
The University of Alabama*  
The University of Arizona  
The University of Scranton  
The University of Texas, Austin  
United States Naval Academy  
University of British Columbia*  
University of California, Berkeley*  
University of California, Davis*  
University of California, Irvine*  
University of California, Los Angeles*  
University of California, Merced*  
University of California, Riverside*  
University of California, San Diego  
University of California, Santa Barbara*  
University of California, Santa Cruz  
University of Chicago  
University of Colorado at Boulder  
University of Dayton*  
University of Hawaii Manoa*  
University of Kansas  
University of Maryland*  
University of Massachusetts*  
University of Miami*  
University of Nebraska*  
University of Notre Dame  
University of Oregon*  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Portland  
University of Puget Sound  
University of San Diego*  
University of San Francisco*  
University of Southern California*  
University of the Pacific  
University of Tulsa*  
University of Washington  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Villanova University  
Washington State University*  
Wellesley College*  
West Los Angeles College*  
Whittier College*  
Xavier University  
Yale University*  

*College/university admission offers accepted by the class of 2017