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# ARMBRAE ACADEMY 2023-2024 SCHOOL PROFILE

CEEB CODE: 825385

## About Armbrae Academy

Armbrae Academy is located on the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq First Nations People's. Founded in 1887 as the Halifax Ladies' College, Armbrae Academy is an independent, co-educational, non-denominational, university preparatory day school with classes from Preschool to Grade 12. Armbrae Academy is accredited by the **Nova Scotia Department of Education** and by **CA+IS (Canadian Accredited Independent Schools)**. The school maintains membership with **Canadian Independent School Counsellors (CISC)**, both the **International & National Associations for College Admission Counseling (IACAC & NACAC)** and is a **UCAS Apply Centre**.

## School Community

Armbrae is a place where community comes first. Our motto, "Be Kind, Work Hard" communicates our core values as a community that prepares students for success at university and as lifelong learners, critical thinkers and engaged citizens. Upper School students learn foundational leadership skills and take on leadership roles throughout their high school years.

## Academic Program

Armbrae offers a rigorous preparatory curriculum; course expectations meet or exceed learning outcomes of provincial equivalents. In addition to the Nova Scotia high school diploma, the learner experience is further enriched by Armbrae Diploma requirements, CAS requirements and Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Most graduates earn both diplomas and sit one or more AP exams between Grades 10-12. Course offerings, including AP, are limited based on student interest and faculty availability.

## CAS PROGRAM (Creativity, Action, Service)

- Students are required to earn a minimum of 6 credits for participating in school-sponsored co-curriculars each year.
- Students choose their activities from a variety of opportunities in the arts, athletics, STEAM and more.
- Students are required to complete a minimum of 12 service learning hours each year during high school.

## GRADING SYSTEM

The complete mark range is 0 to 100%, with a passing grade set at 50%; some courses coded as OPEN are graded in a Pass/Fail basis. Students who earn an academic average of 80% or greater at Armbrae are distinguished by placement on the **Honour Roll**; students earning 90% or greater receive **Honours with Distinction**. Armbrae does not rank students within their grade level nor do we calculate student GPA for university admission purposes.

## STANDARDIZED TESTING

Armbrae students are not required to write the SAT or ACT as part of our academic program, however they do write a PSAT 10 as part of our Career Education program. Additional SAT/ACT preparation must be undertaken independently and students must write the SAT at a local testing centre with limited spaces available. The ACT is not available in the local area.

### NOVA SCOTIA DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

Minimum of 18 credits - no more than seven Grade 10, and at least five Grade 12 courses. compulsory credits:

#### Language, Communication and Expression:

- 3 English Language Arts, one at each grade level
- 1 Fine Arts

#### Science, Mathematics and Technology:

- 3 Mathematics, one at each grade level
- 2 Science
- 1 other Mathematics, Science, or Technology

#### Personal Development and Social Studies:

- 1 Physical Education
- 1 Global Studies Course
- 1 Canadian Content Social Studies Course

### School Information

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### University Guidance

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### Facts & Figures

**Students (Grades 9-12):**

129

**Financial Assistance:**

13%

**Class of 2024:**

23 students

**Class Sizes:**

8-22 students per class

**International Students:**

14%

### ARMBRAE DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the Nova Scotia Diploma, the Armbrae Diploma is awarded to students who complete Armbrae's unique program in Grades 9-12, maintaining high academic standards and demonstrating respect for the school's Core Values by:

- Completing all Nova Scotia High School Graduation Requirements;
- Completing additional required courses:
  - Leadership 9
  - Career Education 10, 11, 12
- Maintaining the required course load each year;
- Fulfilling CAS requirements each year;
- Abiding by the school's Honour Code.

## ACCREDITATIONS



## ACCEPTANCE WITH MATRICULATION (Past Three Years, 2021-2023)

Armbrae is proud of all students' individual pursuit of excellence as they strive to unleash their potential whether they have identified a best fit university or chosen another option such as bridge, gap, military service or other careers. Matriculations are identified with **BOLD** text.

### CANADA

- Acadia University**
- Cape Breton University
- Concordia University
- Dalhousie University**
- Humber College
- McGill University
- McMaster University**
- Mount Allison University**
- Mount Saint Vincent University**
- Nipissing University
- Nova Scotia Community College**
- Ontario College of Art & Design
- Queen's University**
- Royal Military College of Canada**
- St Mary's University**
- Sheridan College
- Simon Fraser University
- St Francis Xavier University
- Toronto Metropolitan University**
- Trent University
- University of Alberta**
- University of British Columbia**
- University of Guelph**

- University of King's College**
- University of New Brunswick**
- University of Ottawa**
- University of Prince Edward Island**
- University of Toronto - Mississauga**
- University of Toronto - St George's**
- University of Victoria**
- University of Waterloo
- Western University
- Wilfred Laurier University**
- York University**

### UNITED STATES

- Clarkson University**
- Dillard University
- Gonzaga University
- Oregon State University
- Rollins College
- Sarah Lawrence University
- Simmons University

### UNITED KINGDOM

- Hult International School of Business

## MEMBERSHIPS

