



How many SAIL courses do Upper School students take?

Upper School students take THREE SAIL courses per year.

Are there any required SAIL courses?

Freshmen have one required course: *Rhetoric, Historic Speeches, and Worldview*.

How are SAIL courses graded?

SAIL Evaluations are on a 0-4 scale on the basis of the foundations of SAIL: **communication, collaboration, risk-taking, innovation, and depth of thought**.

Scores DO NOT correlate to the traditional A through F grading scale.

4 is extraordinary and **incredibly** rare (a 4 is **not** the same as an “A”)

3 meets all of the very high expectations in each area

2 meets many of the high expectations in each area

1 meets some of the high expectations in each area

0 does not meet expectations (students earning a 0 will have to recover credit in the summer)

Evaluations will be based upon individual student growth as opposed to comparison to other students or an objective standard.

Keep in mind that 3s and 2s represent excellent and very good evaluations. It will take some time to get used to this, but it is the best way to provide opportunities for growth and risk-taking in our students

How do SAIL courses affect GPA/transcript?

SAIL evaluations will appear on students’ transcripts but will not be added into their GPA since they cannot be translated into the traditional grading scale. Colleges will have the SAIL scale recorded on the School Profile that accompanies students’ transcripts.

Are there pre-requisites or other requirements to take a SAIL course?

Please note in the course descriptions that a few courses have either pre-requisites, equipment requirements, or require an additional fee. Please ensure that if you are requesting those courses, the requirements can be met. If a course requires an additional fee it will be added to your school account after the first week of classes.