Global Online Academy is a not-for-profit consortium of leading independent schools from around the world. Started by a group of independent schools looking to bring the benefits of online learning to their teachers and students, Global Online Academy prepares students for a global future. We provide new, modern ways for students to learn and teachers to teach.

Global Online Academy curriculum is created in collaboration with our member teachers, who are proven, exemplary leaders in their school communities. Our courses allow schools to expand what they offer, and help students test their passions in ways typically unavailable on a single campus. We maintain excellence through rigorous teacher training, building on the best practices and values of leading independent schools - and by ensuring classrooms stay at a small size that fosters strong teacher-student relationships and student-to-student collaboration and interaction.

With Global Online Academy, teachers and students can share their voice on a global stage, improving learning and enabling the pursuit of individual passions.

Our program brings together experienced teachers and highly capable students in an interactive, rigorous learning environment. We offer courses that enable students to meet graduation requirements, as well as electives that encourage the awakening of new interests and passion for learning. Our classrooms include a variety of voices representing the geographic, cultural, and ethnic diversities possible in an online environment.

All course materials are developed by teachers at member schools and meet the rigor and high quality for which these schools are well-known.

Class size is limited to 18 students.

Skilled teachers guide and support GOA students throughout the learning process. Teachers offer consistent feedback, ask engaging questions, seek to challenge student assumptions, and facilitate discussions. Teachers give each student one-on-one attention and are prepared to respond effectively to the needs of the individual student learner.

Michael Nachbar, Executive Director
SCHOOL CALENDAR AND CLASSROOM TIME

Each semester is 14 weeks in length. Classes are equivalent to a 45 minute class that meets 4 times per week. Students are expected to commit an average of 5-7 hours each week to these courses. GOA courses are taken in place of a regular academic or elective course; they cannot be taken on top of a full load of classes.

STANDARDIZED TESTING

Global Online Academy member schools are academically competitive. Average test score highlights from our U.S. schools are reflected below.

SAT CR: 657
SAT M: 661
SAT W: 661

ACT: 29
2013-14 National Merit Semifinalists (avg per school): 14
AP Exams 3+: 87%