

## Academic Programs Policy

At LATAM Global School (LGS), we offer a comprehensive range of academic programs designed to meet the diverse needs of our students from kindergarten through high school. Our virtual school utilizes a self-paced methodology, allowing students to progress at their own pace, enabling them to delve into topics and master essential skills as they feel prepared. This personalized approach provides flexibility in study times and allows students to determine how much time they will devote to each subject monthly, ensuring an educational experience tailored to their individual needs and learning styles.

The academic programs at LGS are structured to ensure a coherent and high-quality educational progression, from the early years in elementary school, through middle school, and culminating in high school with various modalities and credits. Each program is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to advance to the next educational level and eventually enter higher education institutions or the workforce.

### Elementary School Program

The Elementary program is designed for students from Kindergarten to 5th grade. It is offered 100% in English, with some electives available in Spanish depending on availability. This program prepares students to enter Middle School.

#### Program Structure:

- Students must complete and pass a total of 36 subjects.
- In the Elementary program, although the course content is in English, students have the option to complete their assignments in Spanish. However, this exception **does not apply** to English Language Arts, ESL, or ELL courses, which must be completed entirely in English to ensure language learning and practice.
- A maximum of 2 to 3 subjects can be activated simultaneously in the student's profile.
- The student can determine the number of hours dedicated to each subject monthly.
- Each grade level must be completed in a minimum of 5 months to ensure quality and depth of learning. If a student finishes before this time, a meeting will be organized with the student, their representative, their Student Service Representative (SSR), and the Operations Manager to discuss the situation, provide recommendations, and commit to not completing an academic grade before the established times again.

### Middle School Program

This program is offered to students from 6th to 8th grade. Students can choose the language of the program, either English or Spanish, according to their preference. Additionally, they have the option to take subjects in the other language if they wish. If a student takes a subject in one language and then decides to switch to the other language, they must start the new course from the beginning. This program prepares students to enter High School.

## Program Structure:

- Students must complete and pass a total of 18 subjects. Only one subject can be taken at a time, although students can have more than one active subject by acquiring additional courses as described in the [Additional Services Purchase Policy](#).
- Students must complete courses in a minimum of 25 days. If a course is completed before this time, students must take an exam as described in the [Course Approval and Completion Policy](#).
- Assignments must be completed in the language in which the subject is taken. English Language Arts courses are 100% in English, and assignments must be completed in English, regardless of whether the student took the program in Spanish.
- Students taking the program in Spanish have the option to take ESL courses instead of English Language Arts, as these basic subjects will help the student learn English. Assignments must be completed in English.

## High School Program

The High School program at LATAM Global School (LGS) is offered to students from 9th to 12th grade, providing a comprehensive education that adapts to the diverse needs and goals of each student. We offer different program modalities, each with its own structure, designed to provide the necessary preparation to enter a university, college, or the workforce. Our High School programs are carefully crafted to ensure that students acquire the fundamental skills and knowledge that will enable them to achieve their academic and professional goals. Regardless of the chosen modality, all High School programs at LGS are committed to educational excellence and the holistic development of our students.

### 1. High School (18 Credits)

The 18-credit High School program at LATAM Global School is designed to allow students to access opportunities in the military, higher education in community colleges, and entry-level or operational jobs in the United States. This program provides solid and comprehensive academic training, focused on essential competencies and knowledge necessary for these goals.

## Program Structure:

- Students can choose the language of the program, either English or Spanish, according to their preference.
- If a student takes a subject in one language and then decides to switch to the other language, they must start the new course from the beginning.
- Students must complete and pass a total of 18 credits. Only one credit can be taken at a time, although students can have more than one active credit by acquiring additional courses as described in the [Additional Services Purchase Policy](#).
- Students must complete courses in a minimum of 25 days. If a course is completed before this time, students must take an exam as described in the [Course Approval and Completion Policy](#).

- Assignments must be completed in the language in which the credit is taken. English Literature courses are 100% in English, and assignments must be completed in this language, regardless of whether the student took the program in Spanish.
- Students taking the program in Spanish have the option to take ESL/English Language Arts courses instead of English Literature courses. Depending on their language proficiency, they will be placed in the most appropriate course.

### **18-Credit Program Requirements:**

**English:** 4 credits

**Mathematics:** 4 credits (including Algebra 1 and Geometry)

**Science:** 3 credits (including 1 credit in Biology)

**Social Studies:** 3 credits (including 1 credit in U.S. History)

**Foreign Language:** 2 credits (sequential in the same language)

**Electives:** 2 credits

## **2. High School (24 Credits)**

The 24-credit High School program is specifically designed to prepare students for entry into university or college careers. This program offers a robust academic structure that ensures a comprehensive and in-depth education in various areas of knowledge, aligned with the standards of the Florida Department of Education in the United States. Upon completing this program, students will be equipped with the skills and knowledge necessary to successfully face the academic and professional challenges they will encounter in their future higher education.

### **Program Structure:**

- Students can choose the language of the program, either English or Spanish, according to their preference.
- If a student takes a subject in one language and then decides to switch to the other language, they must start the new course from the beginning.
- Students must complete and pass a total of 24 credits. Only one credit can be taken at a time, although students can have more than one active credit by acquiring additional courses as described in the [Additional Services Purchase Policy](#).
- Students must complete courses in a minimum of 25 days. If a course is completed before this time, students must take an exam as described in the [Course Approval and Completion Policy](#).
- Assignments must be completed in the language in which the credit is taken. English Literature courses are 100% in English, and assignments must be completed in this language, regardless of whether the student took the program in Spanish.
- Students taking the program in Spanish have the option to take ESL (English as a Second Language) or English Language Arts courses instead of English Literature, depending on the student's English level. Depending on their language proficiency, they will be placed in the most appropriate course.

## 24-Credit Program Requirements:

**English:** 4 credits

**Mathematics:** 4 credits (including Algebra 1 and Geometry)

**Science:** 3 credits (including 1 credit in Biology)

**Social Studies:** 3 credits (including 1 credit in U.S. History)

**Physical Education (PE):** 1 credit

**Art:** 1 credit

**Computer Science:** 1 credit

**Foreign Language:** 2 credits (sequential in the same language)

**Electives:** 5 credits

### 3. Accelerated High School

The Accelerated High School Program is designed for older students who wish to complete their secondary education at an accelerated pace. This program caters to the needs of students looking to quickly advance in their studies and obtain their high school diploma efficiently. Graduates of the Accelerated High School Program will be well-prepared to enter the workforce, apply for entry-level or operational jobs in various sectors in the United States, join the armed forces, or continue their education at community colleges. This program offers a flexible and intensive curriculum that ensures students can achieve their academic goals in a shorter period while receiving a comprehensive education.

#### Program Structure:

- Students can choose the language of the program, either English or Spanish, according to their preference.
- If a student takes a subject in one language and then decides to switch to the other language, they must start the new course from the beginning.
- Students must complete and pass a total of 18 credits. Two credits can be activated simultaneously. Students can have more than two active credits by acquiring additional courses as described in the [Additional Services Purchase Policy](#).
- Students do not have a minimum time required to complete the courses.
- Students taking the program in Spanish have the option to take ESL (English as a Second Language) or English Language Arts courses instead of English Literature, depending on the student's English level. Depending on their language proficiency, they will be placed in the most appropriate course.

#### Common Features of All Academic Programs

- **Access to the Platform:** Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- **Institutional Email:** All students have access to a school-provided email account to facilitate communication and access to educational resources. They also have access to Google applications to manage and store information or documents.

- **Tutoring Sessions:** Depending on the selected plan, students have access to a weekly tutoring session lasting up to one hour. See [Student Plans Policy](#) and [Tutoring Sessions Policy](#) for more details.
- **Communication with Teachers:** All students can communicate with the course teacher through Gmail chat or email, using their institutional account during office hours.
- **Interactive Applications:** Access to interactive course applications through third parties.
- **Live Classes:** All students can access live classes conducted by teachers from Monday to Friday through the platform.
- **Special Activities, Workshops, Esports, and School Events:** Students can freely enter and participate in any of the activities we offer for interaction and skill development.

To pass an academic grade at LGS, the student must complete and pass a total of 6 subjects or credits. Each grade includes 4 core subjects/credits and 2 elective subjects/credits.

- **Elementary School:** Students can activate 2 to 3 courses simultaneously, including combinations of core and elective courses.
- **Middle School:** Activation of only one subject at a time is allowed, with the option to acquire additional courses.
- **High School:** Students can activate one credit at a time, following a structured credit record according to their GradPath.