

GAMMEL HELLERUP
GYMNASIUM

ENGLISH

WELCOME TO GAMMEL HELLERUP GYMNASIUM

In this brochure we would like to introduce you to Gammel Hellerup Gymnasium's educational programme, extracurricular activities and school spirit.

Gammel Hellerup Gymnasium is a sixth form college/high school situated in Hellerup, north of Copenhagen. It was founded in 1894 and was originally a boys' school.

Today it is a mixed school with more than 900 students from approximately 120 primary and lower secondary schools in Greater Copenhagen and 100 teaching and administrative staff. We offer a variety of specialized study programmes within the fields of social science, the humanities and natural science.

The school contains a range of classrooms, laboratories and computer rooms to meet all the students' needs.

In July 2011 the school started building new sports facilities designed by the famous Danish architect and former Gammel Hellerup student, Bjarke Ingels.

Gammel Hellerup Gymnasium specializes in pre-university education GCSE and A-level.

Gammel Hellerup Gymnasium has a reputation of high academic standards and outstanding examination results, engendering mature and independent students ready for the challenges of higher education at universities in Denmark and abroad.

GAMMEL HELLERUP GYMNASIUM'S CORE VALUES ARE:

- Knowledge
- Companionship
- Diversity

In addition to their regular classes, the students are offered extra tuition after school and catch-up classes to fill in any gaps in their knowledge.

Gammel Hellerup Gymnasium also offers extracurricular activities such as sports, music and drama.

All in all the school aims at combining informality and an adult approach to education, thereby creating an atmosphere of mutual respect and a strong sense of community among students and staff.

UPPER SECONDARY EDUCATION IN DENMARK

There are four different upper secondary education programmes in Denmark: STX, HHX, HTX and HF.

Each of the education programmes has its specific range of compulsory subjects that are common for all students taking the

programme. In addition, each school offers a number of different specialized study packages (normally containing three subjects) and elective subjects for the students to choose from.

All the education programmes also contain multi-subject courses.



GAMMEL HELLERUP GYMNASIUM AND STX

Gammel Hellerup Gymnasium offers one of these four upper secondary education programmes, the STX, which is the most common programme.

STX takes three years to complete and admits young people aged 16-19, who have completed nine years of basic school.

The STX programme consists of a broad range of subjects in the fields of the humanities, natural science and social science. The common objective of the

programme is to prepare young people for higher education.

THE STX OFFERS THE FOLLOWING COMPULSORY SUBJECTS:

- Classical studies C
- Danish A
- English B
- 2nd Foreign language A or B
- History A
- Mathematics C
- Physics C
- Physical education (PE) C
- Religion C
- Social science C
- An artistic subject: visual arts, drama or music C
- 2 of the 3 subjects: biology, chemistry and natural geography C
- General study preparation (AT), which covers approximately six multi-subject courses, aiming at strengthening the students' ability to apply knowledge, methods and theories from several subjects within the humanities, natural science and social science. B-level
- Introductory courses in general language understanding (AP) and basic natural science (NV)

Apart from the introductory courses, all subjects are placed in a system of levels, C, B and A, in relation to the scope and depth of the subject, A being the highest level.

Each student chooses a specialized study package normally consisting of three subjects. These packages vary from school to school, but usually focus on subjects within the fields of either natural science, social science or the humanities.

Furthermore, each student selects a number of electives or optional subjects. The number varies according to the specialized study package.

AT GAMMEL HELLERUP WE OFFER THE FOLLOWING ELECTIVES:

- Astronomy C
- Biology A, B and C
- Business economics C
- Drama B
- Chemistry A, B and C
- English A
- French, continued level A
- German, continued level A
- Information technology C
- Latin C
- Mathematics A and B
- Music A and B
- Natural geography B and C
- Philosophy C
- Physical education B
- Physics A and B
- Psychology C
- Religion B
- Rhetoric C
- Social Science A and B
- Visual arts B





EXAMPLES OF CHOICE OF SPECIALIZED STUDY SUBJECTS AND ELECTIVES AT GAMMEL HELLERUP GYMNASIUM:

Specialized study subjects: Mathematics A, Physics B, Chemistry B

Electives: English A, Physical education B

Specialized study subjects: Social science A, Mathematics B, Business economics C

Electives: Mathematics A

Specialized study subjects: Spanish A, English A, Social science B

Electives: Music B, Philosophy C

Specialized study subjects: Music A, Social science B, Mathematics B

Electives: French A



EXAMINATIONS

The examinations can be written, oral, case and project tests. At most of the examinations the students may use all kinds of aids, including IT, but normally they may not use the internet or mobile phones.

The Ministry of Education works out all written examination questions and appoints external examiners for all examinations, both oral and written.

Certain examinations are compulsory for all students, i.e. a written assignment in the third year covering two subjects

of their own choice (SRP) and an oral examination based on their multi-subject studies (AT).

Additionally, the Ministry of Education decides seven other subjects of examination for the individual student.

An examination certificate is issued when the student has achieved a minimum average of 02 of the concluding term marks and examination marks. A concluding term mark is the final mark given when the student has completed a subject.

THE DANISH MARKING SCALE CORRELATES WITH THE ECTS MARKS:

ECTS	Danish marks
A	12
B	10
C	7
D	4
E	02
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F	-3

SCHOOL PROFILE

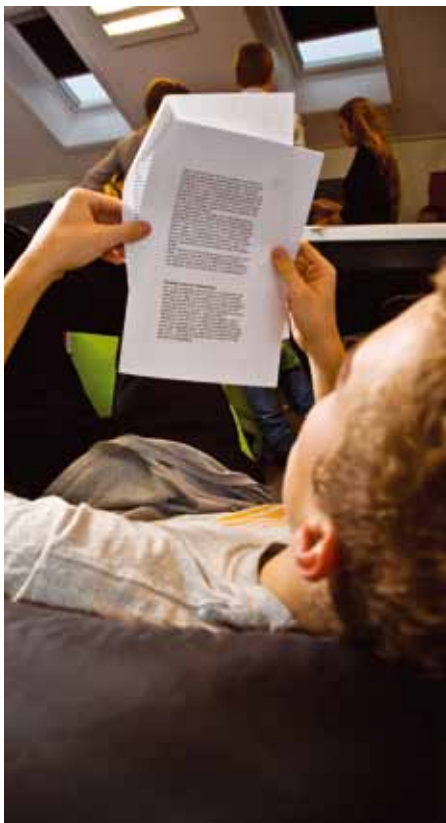
In all aspects of school life we emphasize science, globalization, sustainability and creativity.

SCIENCE: Gammel Hellerup Gymnasium cooperates with technical universities, Novo-Zymes and the Copenhagen Science Museum "Eksperimentarium". The school offers "science afternoons" and encourages talented students to take part in science competitions at home and abroad.

GLOBALIZATION: We offer tuition in English, French, German and Spanish and all classes go abroad once or twice during their education.

SUSTAINABILITY: We encourage students to live healthy lives and take on social and environmental responsibility.

CREATIVITY: The school endeavours to be creative and innovative in its pedagogical approach. In addition, more than a hundred of our students produce a musical or a play each year. In this production the school choir, musical bands and drama and art students participate under the supervision of teachers.



EXTRA TUITION

Every day after school students are offered extra tuition in all subjects. In a relaxed atmosphere students can get help from teachers and other students with their day-to-day homework, assignments, reports, essays etc.



SPECIAL OFFERS FOR TALENTED STUDENTS

- Master Classes
- Programmes for budding scientists and scholars
- The Academy for Talented Young Students (the ATU)



EXTRACURRICULAR AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

After school students may join the school choir or form musical bands on their own. They may also participate in various sports such as football / soccer, volleyball, basketball, badminton, handball, hockey and fitness. Tournaments are arranged for sixth-form / high school students all over Denmark.

All these activities provide an opportunity for students to mix and socialize with each other.



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