Lourdes Hill College is a contemporary secondary college for girls based on nearly 100 years of tradition. It is a College which challenges students academically and provides endless opportunities for girls to grow into intelligent, independent, responsible and balanced young women.

The College caters for the education of approximately 982 young women in Years 8 - 12, that is from approximately twelve years through to seventeen or eighteen years of age. Each person has a unique blend of gifts and talents and our community is enriched by the contribution which each student makes to the life of the College.

Communication between home, school and Homestay is very important to us, therefore we like to stay in touch with you through the time your daughter is entrusted to our care. Weekly College Newsletters, International Education Newsletters, official letters, emails and phones calls are various modes which we use regularly to communicate with parents and agents. Members of the College staff speak Chinese, German and Japanese, and we welcome parents contacting us.

Communication with Home

Homestay accommodation

International students are arranged to stay with English speaking homestay families who provide care, accommodation, meals and transport. Staying with Homestay families allows students to improve English language skills and to understand and to experience Australian culture and lifestyle. All our Homestay families are carefully selected, informed and screened in order to offer a secure and safe home environment for international students. The College adheres to strict government laws and regulation about Homestay providers.

English Language Support

Beside a selection of subjects, international students are encouraged to chose from a range of support subjects: English as a Second Language, English Studies and English Communication. From January 2012, the College will offer English for ESL learners (an OP subject) to Year 11. Tutorials and individual lessons are also available if needed.

Extra-Curricular Activities

International activities are strongly encouraged to join in cultural (e.g. music, drama, public speaking, debating), sporting opportunities (water sports, soccer, tennis, netball, etc) and service groups.

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**LOCATION**

Lourdes Hill College is conveniently located just 4 km from the City centre, on the southern bank of the Brisbane River in Hawthorne. This excellent position offers superb views to the City and surrounding suburbs. The suburb of Hawthorne is a quiet residential suburb with many parks, churches, a public library and sporting facilities.

A regular City Council bus connects the College to the City Centre and the shopping and business centre, Carindale. Ten minutes walk from the College is a ferry stop, where a fast running City Cat catamaran runs every 15-20 minutes to the City.

The College is in within walking distance of the busy café strip and exclusive boutique shopping of Oxford Street in Bulimba.

**FACILITIES**

**Library** - Modern and advanced with computers, study rooms, and a large range of resources in information and literature for students to use. Our Library staff are professional and caring in assisting students.

**Sports facilities** – 25m swimming pool, indoor court for netball, basketball and volleyball. Tennis courts and facilities for rowing, canoeing and sailing.

**Arts Facilities** – Art studios, dark room, music and drama practice rooms.

**Kitchen Facilities** – A new kitchen with commercial kitchen equipments for Home Economics and Hospitality students.

**Uniform Shop** – Stationery and school uniforms are sold at the Uniform Shop.

**Tuckshop** – Students and staff purchase food and drinks from the Tuckshop.

**Good Samaritan Centre** – Our Assembly Hall is utilised as an indoor sporting facility and functions venue.

**School bus** – The school bus is used for excursions during school terms and holidays.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

Lourdes Hill College has had a tradition of enrolling international students for over twenty years. International students come to us from all over the world and stay with us for periods of time from a few weeks to many years.

Lourdes Hill College also welcomes student and teachers for short term tours and exchange. Students who would like to stay for one term only or students who wish to complete secondary education in Australia are also welcome. We extend hospitality to everyone who comes to our community.

The maximum number of international students is kept at 20, which gives girls an opportunity to communicate with and form friendships with local students.

**As an entry requirement** in the Middle School (Years 8-9), a student’s English language proficiency score must be at least 5.0 on IELTS or equivalent.