



Haven of Peace Academy

Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

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Haven of Peace Academy (HOPAC) is an international nondenominational Christian School that is located in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. HOPAC was founded in 1994 and has grown from 40 students to presently about 360 students in grades K-12. While HOPAC was originally established to educate missionary children, others from Tanzania and elsewhere are enrolled as well. HOPAC offers a challenging **English-medium** curriculum that prepares its students for re-entry into schools and admission to universities throughout the world. The Class of 2008 was the first to graduate from Grade 12 at HOPAC.

FACULTY

Of the 44 full-time teaching staff, 12 hold advanced degrees. The school actively promotes the professional growth of the staff of which five are from the UK, thirteen are from the US, twelve are Tanzanians, one is from India, two from Canada and eleven are of other African nationalities.

STUDENT BODY

The student population represents more than 30 nationalities. 51% of students are multi-lingual. In the year 2016-2017, 27% of the students are the children of Missionary/Christian service workers. 57% of the A level students are Tanzanian nationals, with a number selected to receive tuition scholarships to attend the school based on their strong academic credentials and financial need. HOPAC student enrollment for 2016-2017 school year is as follows:

K-5	= 155
Grades 6-8	= 71
Grade 9	= 41
Grade 10	= 22
Grade 11	= 35
Grade 12	= 35
TOTAL (K-12)	= 359

ACCREDITATION AND AFFILIATIONS

HOPAC is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and by the Middle States Association. It is also a member of Christian Schools International and the Association of International Schools in Africa (AISA).

SECONDARY CURRICULUM

Students at HOPAC are challenged by a rigorous academic curriculum, which culminates with the awarding of the IGCSE certificate at the end of Grades 9 and 10, and Advanced level certificates at the end of Grades 11 and 12. 62% of the Class of 2016 students took the ACT exam. Average ACT score = 24.3 (21.0 being the world average).

Grades 9 and 10

Students prepare for the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) exams in Grades 9 and 10 with final exams in May of both years. IGCSE is examined by the Cambridge International Examinations Board. In addition to examination courses, students take non-examined courses in Bible, Physical Education, Leadership, Life Skills and Service Learning. A number of students also prepare for examinations in their mother-tongue language.

Grades 11 and 12

For the final 2 years, the school offers a range of AS and A Level subjects, which are examined by the Cambridge International Examinations Board. Most students will study 4 subjects at AS level in Grade 11, and then continue studying 3 of them to full A level in the second year. Other combinations are possible according to the ability of the student and their needs for preparing for Higher Education. Examined subjects include Maths, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, English (Literature and Language), French, History, Geography, Business Studies, Economics, Art and Design, Computer Science and Psychology. Alongside these examination courses, students take courses in Bible, Life Skills and Service Learning.

GRADING SYSTEM

The school year is divided into 3 terms. For Grades 9-12, reports are given at the end of Terms 1 and 3 for all subjects. An overall grade is given of achievement of the student in all areas of assignments, effort and participation. Students at HOPAC are not class-ranked numerically.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

HOPAC places a great deal of emphasis on community service as shown in the graduation requirements. Students may also participate in student

council, competitive sports teams including football (soccer), basketball and swimming, as well as many creative arts and cultural activities.

Graduation Requirements

In order to graduate from HOPAC, students must complete at least 26 credits of coursework during grades 9 and 12. This will include studying compulsory courses in English, Maths, Science, Humanities and Foreign Languages in grades 9 and 10.

Besides academics, students are required to complete a Bible course, a Life Skills course and a Service Learning course for every year in attendance at HOPAC in grades 9-12. They must also participate actively in an annual Service Emphasis Week, and fulfill a 50-hour campus service requirement in grades 11 and 12.

WHERE GRADUATES ARE ADMITTED

HOPAC has a reputation for preparing its students for the rigors of universities throughout the world. HOPAC graduates have been admitted to the following universities:

North America

Harvard University
Princeton University
Stanford University
Vanderbilt University
Univ. of Pennsylvania
Univ. of Washington
Tufts University
Biola University
Drake University
Trinity University
Wesleyan University
Florida Tech
St. Olaf College
Concordia College
Northwestern College
Houghton College
Covenant College
West Point Academy
U.S. Air Force Academy
McMaster University
University of Waterloo
York University
Memorial University
Arizona State University
Simon Fraser University
University of Manitoba
Calvin College
University of Alberta
Taylor University

Yale University
Massachusetts Inst. of Tech.
Columbia University
Liberty University
Dartmouth College
Rutgers University
Cornell University
Wellesley College
Oral Roberts University
Colgate University
University of Southern Indiana
Wheaton College
Union College
Geneva College
Amherst College
Mount Holyoke College
Messiah College
Grinnell College
Texila Medical University
Carleton University
Trent & Brock University
Wartburg College
University of Michigan
Northeastern University
U. of British Columbia
U. of Texas, Arlington
California Baptist University
Smith College

Africa and Asia

University of Cape Town
Muhimbili University
Temple University, Japan
Yonsei University
Sungkyunkwan University
Taylor's University College
U. of Nottingham Malaysia

Monash University
Manipal University
Seoul Nat'l University
Chung-Ang University
Ashesi University
Handong Global University
National Institute of Tech.

U.K. and Europe

City University
Glasgow University
Bedfordshire University
Southampton University
London Metropolitan U.
Erasmus University
Birmingham City U.
Greenwich University
University of Portsmouth
Leeds University
Delfte University
King's College
NHTU
Eindhoven U. of Technology

Westminster University
St. Andrews University
Reading University
Liverpool University
Sheffield University
Aston University
Kent University
Regents College
U. of Central Lancashire
Salford University
Jacobs-Bremen U.
University of Groningen
Maastricht University
Hanze U. of Applied Sciences

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