School and Community

Hong Kong Academy is an independent, non-profit, co-educational day school for students ages 3-18. As an IB World School, HKA is authorised to offer the Primary Years (PYP), Middle Years (MYP) and Diploma Programmes (DP). Founded in 2000 with an inclusive, inquiry-based, concept-driven approach to learning. Grade 9 to 12 enrolment now stands at approximately 130.

HKA is an inclusive school with approximately 15% of the student body receiving some level of learner support. HKA is proud of its ability to provide an exceptionally rigorous academic programme that is also inclusive.

HKA's student body is very diverse, with no single nationality representing a majority. Class sizes are kept small in order to allow for individualised instruction and to enable every student to achieve success along his or her own pathway to excellence.

HKA Faculty

Like HKA's students, HKA's 100 faculty come from all over the world and are rich in diversity of experience and background. Faculty are recruited principally from Australasia, North America, Europe and China. HKA's faculty are highly qualified with many holding advanced degrees.

Accreditations & Authorisations

Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC)
Council of International Schools (CIS)
International Baccalaureate (IBO)

Memberships

Association of China and Mongolia International Schools (ACAMIS)
East Asia Regional Council of Overseas Schools (EARCOS)
Next Frontier: Inclusion (NFI)

School Calendar

HKA's school year begins the third Wednesday in August and dismisses in mid-June for the summer recess. The school observes local Hong Kong holidays, including an extended recess at Lunar New Year, and schedules recesses in early autumn, late December and late March/early April.

University and College Application Policy/Limit

HKA believes that students and their families should make well-informed and reasonable university and college application choices. As such, HKA encourages students to apply to no more than eight (8) institutions. Admissions Offices receiving an application from an HKA student can be assured it is a serious application that reflects much thought and research.
Secondary School Programme

The Secondary School offers the IB Middle Years Programme from Grade 6 through Grade 10. Grade 10 students complete the MYP Personal Project.

Diploma Options at HKA

HKA’s Secondary School prides itself on mentoring students to reach their full potential through individualised attention tailored to their skills, interests and aspirations. Faculty members are dedicated to students’ well-being and academic success and take the time to guide and support them as they make key decisions that impact their futures. Wherever their individual pathways to success may take them, HKA endeavors to help students identify, develop and realise their goals.

Secondary School Students at HKA may select one of 3 Diploma Pathways:
- Pathway 1: HKA Diploma (U.S. High School based Diploma)
- Pathway 2: HKA Diploma with up to six IB Certificates
- Pathway 3: HKA Diploma with Full IB Diploma

Minimum Requirements for an HKA Diploma

In order to earn an HKA diploma students must complete the following credit requirements:

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Additionl Notes:
- Ten credit courses must be successfully completed in Grades 11 and 12.
- The fourth credit in English must be successfully completed in Grade 12.
- Students must take eight credit courses in each of Grade 9 and 10.

Language of Instruction and World Languages

English is the primary medium of instruction at HKA. In the Secondary School, students select one of three World Languages to study: Mandarin, Spanish or French.

Student Engagement and Co-Curricular Activities

Secondary School students at HKA participate in a wide variety of co-curricular activities. HKA athletes participate and compete in ACAMIS, SCISAC and local leagues for soccer, volleyball, basketball, cross country, swimming and athletics. Secondary School students also compete in debate and public speaking. Student-led action groups on campus include the Dragonfly Council, Global Issues Network Team, PR and Media Team, Student Council and Sustainability Council.

Transcripts, Rankings and GPA Equivalents

Hong Kong Academy does not rank its students or provide percentile/decile information; nor at this point are GPAs created. Marks are based on the International Baccalaureate system of 0 - 7.

HKA does not compare the IB grades with grading systems from other countries or schools and does not weight IB grades.

The IB grading system of 1 – 7 is used as follows:

- 7 – Exemplary
- 6 – Well above the standard expected
- 5 – Above the standard expected
- 4 – At the standard expected
- 3 – Approaching the standard expected
- 2/1 – Below the standard expected*

* Students in 9 – 12 only earn credit for grades of 3 or above.
### IB FINAL EXAM GRADE DATA FOR THE CLASS 2015

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Hong Kong Academy
University and College Admissions and Matriculations

The following is a list of universities and colleges to which HKA graduates have received offers of admission and/or matriculated. Matriculates are in italics. An asterisk indicates that at least one student in the Class of 2015 matriculated.

### ASIA
- Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Enderun Colleges, Inc.*
- The University of Hong Kong
- Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- La Salle College of the Arts
- Open University of Hong Kong

### AUSTRALIA
- Curtin University
- Griffith University*
- Monash University
- University of Melbourne
- University of Newcastle
- University of Sydney

### CANADA
- Carleton University*
- McGill University
- Thompson Rivers University*
- University of British Columbia
- University of Toronto
- University of Waterloo
- Quest University

### EUROPE
- The American University of Paris
- Bard College Berlin
- ESSEC Business School
- Ecole Hoteliere de Lausanne
- Glion Institute of Higher Education*
- IE University*
- Les Roches International School of Hotel Management
- Lund University
- Stockholm University

### UNITED STATES
- Beloit College
- Bennington College
- Bentley University
- Bowdoin College*
- Caldwell University
- Clark University
- Colby College
- Colgate University
- Columbia College
- Drexel University
- Drew University
- Earlham College
- Emory University
- The Evergreen State College
- Fisher College
- Goucher College
- Hamilton College
- Idaho State University
- Indiana University, Bloomington
- Knox College
- Long Island University, Brooklyn
- Manhattan College*
- Marymount Manhattan College*
- Michigan State University
- Middlebury College*
- New York University*
- Newbury College
- The New School, Eugene Lang College*
- Northeastern University
- Notre Dame de Namur University
- Orange Coast College
- Pennsylvania State University, Abington*
- Pennsylvania State University, Altoona
- Philadelphia University
- Portland State University
- Purdue University
- Saint Edwards University
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- Skidmore College
- SUNY New Paltz
- SUNY Potsdam
- Stonehill College
- Suffolk University
- University of Alaska, Fairbanks
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Merced
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign*
- University of Nebraska
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- University of Northern Texas
- University of Notre Dame*
- University of the Pacific
- University of Portland
- University of Southern California, World Bachelor in Business
- Wesleyan University
- Whittier College
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute