

HORIZONS
ACADEMY

UNIQUE INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Make an impact through an internship opportunity with Horizons Academy



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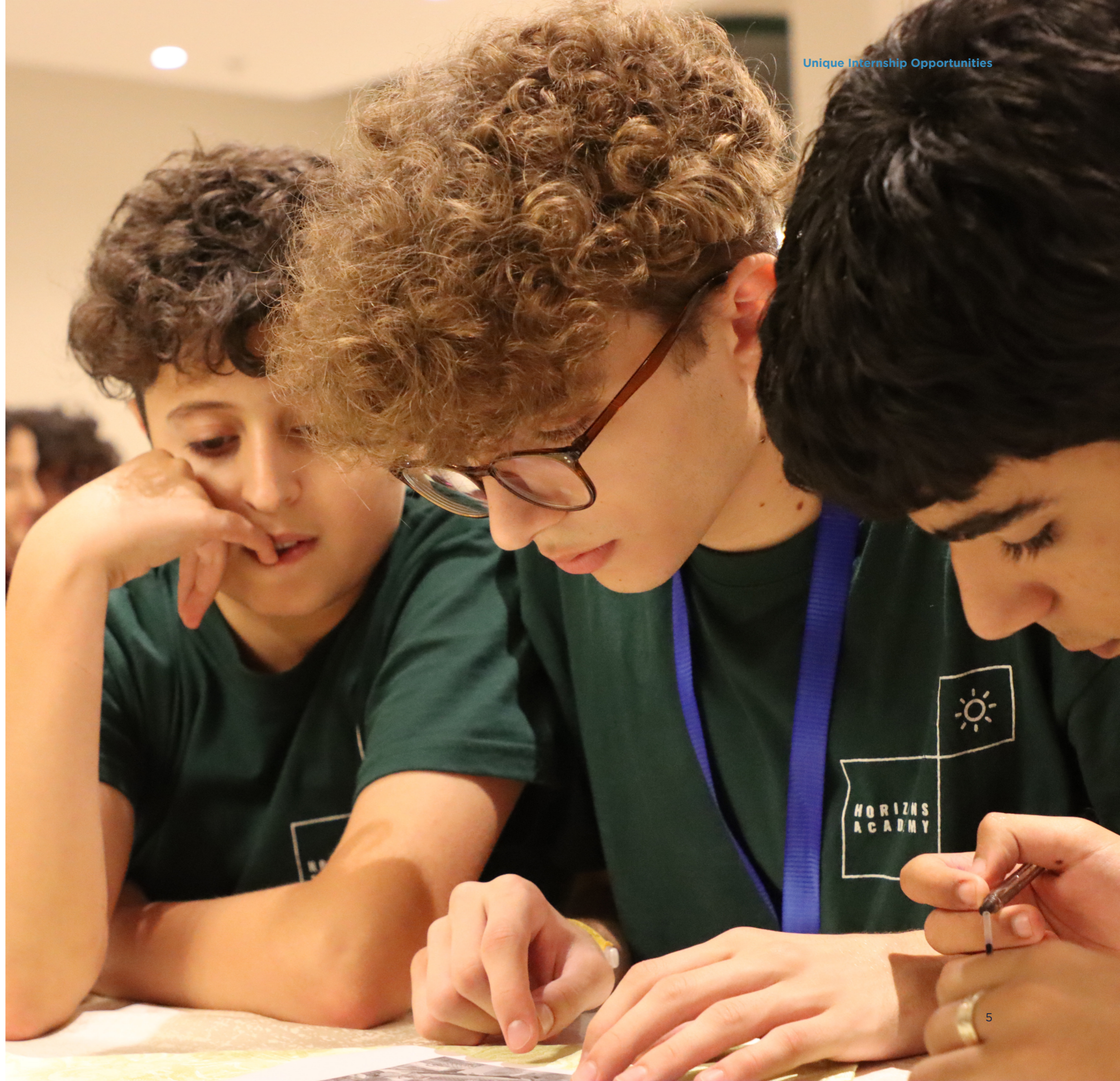
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Vision

Developing future leaders through nurturing excellence, instilling humility and fostering an unrelenting commitment to collective civic duty.

Mission

To build a community of engaged citizens united by a transformative ethos for positive change.



About Horizons Academy

Horizons Academy is an initiative aimed at nurturing and supporting high-school students by equipping them with the necessary tools to succeed in obtaining scholarships and competing for admissions in top universities worldwide. The program is designed to establish a mentorship framework tailored to each student's needs, in an effort to achieve the highest standards of education while fostering a strong sense of community. We have developed multiple tracks, including the US/Canada, Germany, UK, Local, and International tracks, with the aim of helping students reach the university of their choice.

About The Internship

Unlock an extraordinary opportunity to develop your skills as well as connect and invest in youth by joining our internship program at Horizons Academy. Be a part of an educational movement that is shaping the future of hundreds

of students while also getting the chance to explore the captivating depths of the local heritage, culture, and history. Our diverse internship offerings range from annual Summer School and English Teaching positions to unique intervention internships and more,

all designed to provide you with a meaningful and enriching experience that is suitable for you!

< **Layan Ansari**

Harvard Undergraduate Student & 2022
Horizons Intern



Students at Horizons Academy's
Annual Summer School

Benefits

Paid internship

At Horizons Academy, we are committed to providing comprehensive support to our interns. Our dedication extends beyond a living allowance; it includes:

- Coverage of your work-related travel local costs within the country.
- Dedicated housing, designed to make you feel comfortable and at home during your internship.
- A stipend for daily expenses, ensuring you can fully immerse yourself in the experience without financial worries.

Explore the local heritage, culture, and history

As an exclusive benefit of interning with Horizons Academy, we extend a warm invitation for interns to partake in an enriching guided tours, delving into the country’s vibrant heritage, culture, and history, including gaining in-depth knowledge of historical landmarks and cultural significance.

Further education

Should you choose to intern with Horizons for a minimum of one semester, you will have the option to enroll in Arabic or Hebrew courses, offered at local universities. Alternatively, you can opt for the Palestinian History, Diplomacy, and Politics course provided by Horizons Academy.

✓ **Dr. Shazim Majid** University of Nottingham Alumnus & Mentor



Internship details

Location	Al-Nayzak Office in Jerusalem
	<p>Option 1 - Fall: Embark on an enriching three to four-month journey between September and December, leading courses in English, Critical & Design Thinking, or, if inclined, extending valuable college counseling services to Horizons students.</p> <p>Option 2 - Winter: Immerse yourself in a focused two-week period between December and January, dedicated to instructing English or, alternatively, providing thoughtful college counseling to Horizons students.</p> <p>Option 3 - Spring: Engage in a dynamic four to six-week interval between April and May, committed to teaching English, nurturing creative writing skills, guiding students through SAT and TOEFL preparations, or, at the candidate's discretion, offering comprehensive college counseling to Horizons students.</p>
Duration	<p>Option 4 - Summer: Immerse yourself in a vibrant four to six-week period spanning May to July, dedicated to supporting the team in preparing for the summer school and taking on a role as an instructor for one of the courses listed in the table below. It's important to note that counseling is optional.</p> <p>Option 5 - Year-round: Explore diverse opportunities as the type of work remains to be determined (TBD) through collaborative discussions with candidates. This approach allows for flexibility, enabling individuals to tailor their roles based on their unique expertise and interests.</p> <p>*Note: <i>The college counseling aspect encompasses one-on-one mentoring, support with college applications, assistance with essay reviews, and guidance on various aspects of professional development, such as resume preparation and internship searches.</i></p>

Package	Interns will be provided with a monthly allowance, local transportation, transportation to and from the airport, local heritage tours, language courses, official certification, companion from the Horizons Academy team to refer to.
Internship Streams	
Summer School Teaching	<p>During the summer school, you will have the option to teach one of the following courses, based your education and experience:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Social Initiative, Leadership and Entrepreneurship 2. Communication skills 3. Major selection - & Track Choice 4. Essay Writing
English Teaching	Teach English to local students, provide essential language skills with the potential for remote teaching continuation based on demonstrated teaching excellence.
Unique Interventions	Develop and execute innovative educational interventions in subjects like coding and 3D printing.

Eligibility criteria

Academic Background

- Undergraduate students must be enrolled in a recognized accredited institution, pursuing a relevant degree program.
- Graduate students must have successfully completed an undergraduate degree from a recognized accredited institution.
- Professionals looking for a change of career or a new adventure should have a minimum of a bachelor's degree, in any field.

Field of Study

- For Summer School Teaching: Eligible candidates should have a background in education, child development, or a related field to the subject they are teaching. Previous coursework or experience in teaching is highly desirable.
- For English Teaching: Proficiency in English is required, and candidates should have a strong academic background or relevant coursework in English, linguistics, or a related field.
- For Unique Interventions: Eligible candidates should have a background in computer science, robotics, or a related STEM field.

Age Requirement

- All applicants must be at least 18 years old.

Communication Skills

- Strong communication skills in English are essential for all internship positions. Proficiency in additional languages may be advantageous for English Teaching positions.

Legal Requirements

- International candidates must possess the necessary legal documentation to work in the host country. Horizons Academy will not sponsor visas for international interns.

Motivation and Passion

- Horizons Academy values candidates who are passionate about education, community development, and making a positive impact on the lives of students.

Professionalism

- Interns are expected to maintain a high level of professionalism, adhere to the academy's code of conduct, and respect the diverse cultural backgrounds of students and colleagues.

Application Process

01

Open the application form

- Click or Scan the QR Code



02

Submit your supportive documents

- Curriculum Vitae
- Latest Transcripts
- Motivation Letter (500 to 1000 words about you, your five-year plan, and why you want to join our internship program)





How would your day as Horizons intern look like?

Summer School Teacher	English Teacher	Unique Interventions
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM		
Preparation for the day's lessons.	Morning preparation and lesson planning.	Morning planning session, outlining the day's objectives.
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM		
Teaching Horizons Academy's in-house courses to students, engaging them in interactive learning activities.	Teaching English courses to high school students, focusing on language proficiency and communication skills.	Developing new and unique STEM courses for high school students.

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM		
Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM		
Mentoring students and helping them craft strong university applications.	Assisting students with their personal essays for university applications, providing guidance on structure and content.	Teaching students new STEM material, engaging them in hands-on experiments and activities.
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM		
Acting as a group leader for a cohort of 10 students, facilitating personal connections and addressing their academic and personal needs.	Arranging guest speaker sessions to broaden students' horizons and enhance networking opportunities.	Conducting training sessions for Horizons Academy staff, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to continue teaching the newly developed material.
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM		
Reflecting on the day, preparing for the next day's lessons, and collaborating with colleagues on teaching strategies.	Reviewing student progress and adjusting teaching materials as needed.	Collaborating with colleagues to refine course content, assess student progress, and plan future lessons and training sessions.

Exploring The Country

Included in the package, we offer a rich cultural, historical, and natural experience. Here's a list of major sites and activities that you will visit during your internship:

Itinerary Highlights

- Visiting the Old City of Jerusalem, including the holy sights.
- Exploring the historic neighborhoods of Jerusalem.
- Joining a walking tour to learn about the city's history and religious significance.
- Touring the Church of the Nativity, the birthplace of Jesus, in Bethlehem.
- Visiting the Shepherd's Field and the Milk Grotto in Bethlehem.
- Experiencing the vibrant cultural scenes at major cities across the country.

Unique Activities

- Enjoying a traditional Turkish bath (Hammam) experience.
- Tasting authentic knafeh at local sweet shops.

Dead Sea

- Float in the buoyant waters of the Dead Sea, renowned for its high salt content.
- Enjoy the therapeutic benefits of the Dead Sea mud.

Cuisine

- Savor the local cuisine, including dishes like falafel, maqluba, and mansaf.
- Join a cooking class to learn how to prepare traditional dishes.

Cultural Experiences

- Attend a traditional Dabke dance performance.
- Visit local craft workshops to see artisans create pottery, embroidery, and other traditional products.



Arrival information



Language

Arabic and Hebrew are the official languages in Jerusalem. English is taught in local schools, though proficiency levels among the local population may vary.



Climate

Jerusalem is situated 60 kilometers inland and at altitudes of 760 to 900 meters above sea level, and experiences a dry climate. Summer temperatures are in the general range of 27° (celsius), while winters tend to be in the range of 11° (celsius).



Arrival

Most visitors arrive by air at Ben Gurion Airport, approximately 45 kilometers northwest of Jerusalem.



Electric Utilities

Modern local electrical outlets are compatible with European two-point and three-point plug standards (similar to Canadian plugs but with different point shapes). Some older homes may have UK, US, or European fittings.



Banking

East Jerusalem primarily relies on cash transactions, whereas credit cards are more widely accepted in West Jerusalem. ATMs are readily available in Jerusalem.

The primary currency is the New Israeli Shekel (NIS), divided into 100 agorot (singular, agora).

Testimonials



I had a wonderful experience working with Horizons Academy this summer. The staff were incredibly welcoming and enabled me to see and experience so much of the country and its culture. Of course, the highlight was working with such committed, thoughtful, and curious students. As a visitor to Jerusalem, I learned just as much (if not more!) from them as I hope they did from me.”

Amartya Das

Stanford University Alumnus, Code X instructor



Interning at Horizons Academy changed my life. I had the opportunity to work with bright, dedicated individuals. I was able to see the behind-the-scenes work that the Horizons Academy staff does to ensure that all the events, especially the summer school, are beneficial for the students, which made me appreciate all of their efforts even more.

Zaina Al-Sahili

Brigham Young University Undergraduate Student



It was an absolute pleasure to teach at Horizons Academy. They were very caring and made sure our time in Jerusalem was as seamless as possible. I also feel blessed to be able to work with such bright and receptive students at the camp. I can gladly say that participating in Horizons Academy was one of the most fulfilling experiences of my life.”

Omar Khan

University of Michigan Alumnus, Code X instructor



As a design thinking instructor for Horizons Academy and the AI Nayzak organization, I had the privilege to learn about Jerusalem from students and organizers. The student commitment inside the classroom was demonstrated through the capstone they completed at the end of the program as well personal projects completed outside the classroom.

Warisha Soomro

University of Washington Alumnus, Code X instructor

Horizons Academy Success stories



Rakan Shunnar

Aiglon College

Rakan Shunnar's journey is a testament to the transformative power of determination and education. Beginning at Horizons Academy with an insatiable thirst for knowledge, he quickly distinguished himself, embodying a genuine passion for positive change. Despite facing challenges, Rakan's resilience led him to secure a full-ride scholarship at the prestigious Aiglon College, where he now serves as a Guardian, dedicated to guiding and nurturing the next generation of learners. His acceptance into the Yale Young Global Scholars program further showcases his ability to connect on a global scale. Rakan's story inspires us all to script our own successes, reach for the stars, and leave a lasting impact on our communities.





Abdullah Dweik

UWC Changshu China

When Abdullah first applied to United World Colleges (UWC), he faced multiple rejections and held little hope of acceptance. However, this setback didn't deter him; instead, he used each failed attempt as a learning experience. His journey took a turn when he joined Horizons Academy for assistance in university applications. At that time, Abdullah could barely speak English.

Through his dedication and the support of Horizons Academy, he discovered an opportunity to attend a boarding school. With his group leader's guidance, he mustered the determination to apply. Subsequently, an email from the UWC's National Committee extended an invitation for an interview. Though apprehensive, he relied on his preparation with his group leader to excel in the interview, which encompassed individual, personal, and group assessments. The committee sought the best representative from the country at UWC schools, focusing on overall suitability rather than specific traits. Nearly two weeks later, the eagerly anticipated email arrived, but his nerves prompted his sister to read it first. With joy, she shared the news: "Congratulations! We are happy to nominate you for one of the 2023 United World College scholarships." Through this challenging application process, Abdullah gleaned the value of persistence and determination. Now, he studies at one of the best boarding schools in the world, a testament to his remarkable journey from struggling with English to achieving such an impressive feat. He looks forward to the promising opportunities that await him at UWC.



Q&A

Is Jerusalem safe?

By and large, yes – and especially so in the areas that our interns will be located. Interns will be in a tourist-oriented city. Interns and students will be residing in a safe apartment in Jerusalem. Most likely, your time there will be uneventful and the biggest danger you'll expose yourself to is a traffic accident. Interns will mostly be at the educational facility, and partake in supervised tours, if Horizons team deems it safe to do so. As always when traveling, be alert and use common sense. Always travel somewhere with a buddy and let the larger group know where you will be.

What precautions does Horizons take for the intern's safety?

Horizons collectively has experience bringing hundreds of international visitors into Jerusalem. Horizons will provide transportation to and from Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport at scheduled times. During and after the program, our local staff will take you on cultural excursions in the country as a group.

How do I enter the country?

Interns will fly into Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion Airport, where you may be asked security questions. All interns will be provided a formal invitation letter from Horizons Academy to present to border security upon arrival. Many nationalities, including US, Canadian, and EU passport holders, can fly into Tel Aviv and obtain a 90-day tourist visa upon arrival for free. Other nationalities may need to apply (e.g., China, India) for a visa to Israel. Volunteers must fly into Tel Aviv and should not fly into Amman, Jordan nor use a land crossing to enter Israel unless pre-cleared by Horizons.

If you have additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact horizons@alnazak.org



HORIZONS ACADEMY IN 2023

INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS



8 full ride scholarships to:

Harvard University, Stanford University, Dartmouth College, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Brigham Young University, Ohio State University, Seton Hall University, Gettysburg College.

11 partial scholarships to:

St. Lawrence University, Drexel University, Illinois Institute of Technology, Hofstra University, William Paterson University, Rowan University, Temple University, Bridgewater College, Whitworth University, Roanoke College, Hult International Business School



Canada

1 full ride scholarship to:

University of Toronto

2 partial scholarships to:

University of Toronto, York University



UK

1 student accepted to:

University of Edinburgh

Kent University

Bath Spa University



Germany

3 students to:

Technical University of Clausthal, Technical University of Munich (2)



UAE

2 partial scholarships to:

The American University of Sharja



Hungary

2 students to:

University of Szeged, University of Debrecen



Ireland

1 student to:

University of Galway



Local

5 full ride scholarships

INTERNATIONAL BOARDING SCHOOLS

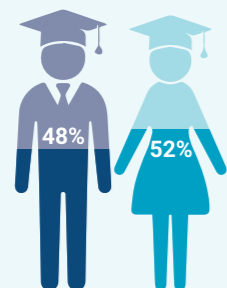
Full ride scholarships:

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- UWC Robert Bosch College Germany
- UWC Italy
- Aiglon College Switzerland
- UWC Changshu China
- King's Academy

Partial scholarships:

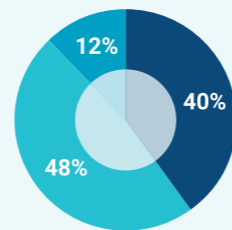
- 3 to Wayland Academy US
- 2 to Amadeus International School Austria

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FEMALES 2023



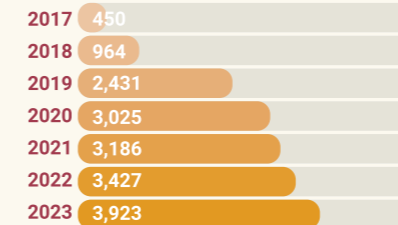
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- PRIVATE
- PUBLIC
- UNRWA

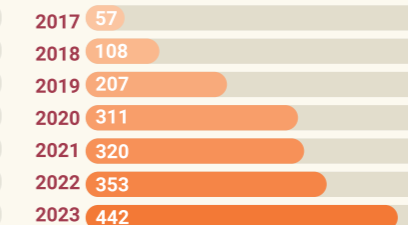


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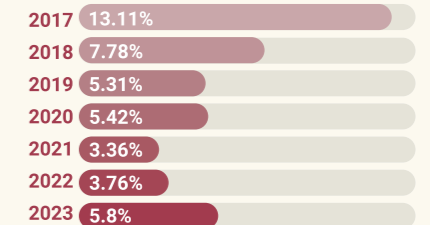
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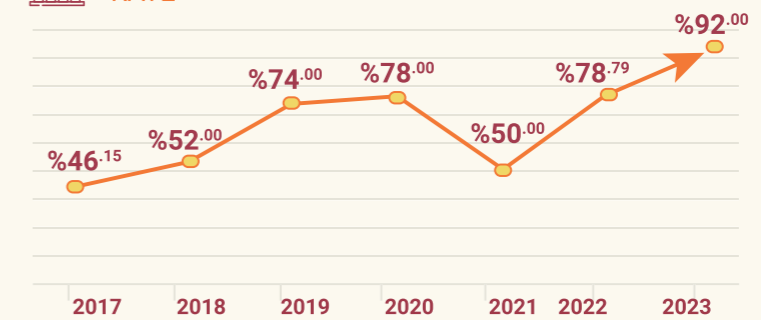
NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN THE ACADEMY



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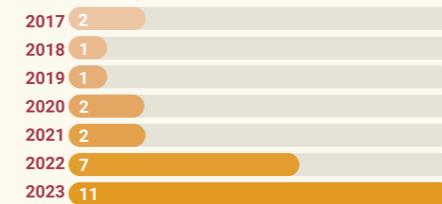


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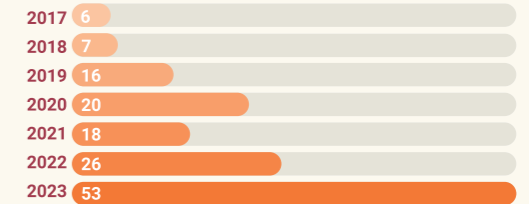


*The percent of 12th-grade students who receive scholarships in prestigious universities at the end of their senior year

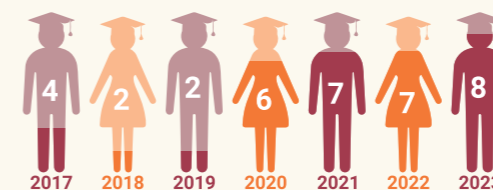
STUDENTS IN INTERNATIONAL BOARDING SCHOOLS



STUDENTS IN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES



STUDENTS IN INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOLS



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