

2025-2026



Houghton Academy

In Partnership with Houghton University

International School Profile

Grades 7-12

New York State



Small School Care. Large School Opportunities.

- ✓ Rolling Admissions
- ✓ English Support for any Level
- ✓ Shared University Facilities, Programs
- ✓ A.P. & FREE Dual University Credit
- ✓ Guaranteed University Acceptance
- ✓ Dorms stay open during holidays

New Boarding Students arrive August 11-14, 2025

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ABOUT US

WHO WE ARE

Houghton Academy is a college preparatory, international boarding, and day school. Founded in 1883, it is one of the oldest continually operating Christian schools in America that has not wavered from its original mission.

With easy access to all the metropolitan resources on the East Coast of the USA, Houghton Academy also offers safety and freedom from distractions to study in its charming and friendly small-town culture.

BE THE BEST NOW

- Respectful
- Honest
- Open to New Ideas
- Hard Working
- Empathetic
- Determined
- Positive Attitude

WHERE WE ARE

Houghton Academy is strategically located in one of the most famous and connected regions in the USA/Canada and the world. Eighteen of the top 25 ranked universities in the United States are within a day's drive of Houghton Academy.

OUR VISION

To offer young people a college preparatory education with the framework of a Christian worldview. The Academy is characterized by high academic standards and strong character development, resulting in students matriculating into the universities of their choice and succeeding throughout life. Students are taught to live authentically, learn deeply, lead globally, and love boldly.

SCHOOL FACTS

GRADES & UNIVERSITIES

- Enrollment for grades 6-12. Boarding Program Enrollment for grades 7-12.
- 100% of university applicants accepted.
- **GUARANTEED ACCEPTANCE** into award-winning Houghton University.

CLASSES

- Average class size 15-20 students.
- 1:1 international students to American students.
- Over 150 dual credit and 15+ AP classes.
- Eligible Juniors and Seniors may take approved classes in person at Houghton University.

ADMISSIONS & TUITION

- Rolling admissions - Start any day of the year.
- Affordable local tuition rates.
- Financial Aid and Scholarships available.

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School Credentials & Facts



Universities

100%

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accepted

Grades

7-12

For boarding students



Enrollment

120

Students

Ratio

60/40

International students to
American students

Average Class Size

8-10

Students

Recent Average Scores

26.5 ACT
1225 SAT

USA Average
20.5 ACT / 1051 SAT



Safe

**Small town
safety**

One hour to cities

Accreditation

Middle States
ACSI
NY State since 1907



Technology

School-provided
computer for
every student

Teachers

Friendly, caring,
helpful

Rolling Admissions

Start any day of
the year

Classes

Over
250

150 dual credit and
15+ APs



Guaranteed Acceptance

into
award-winning
**Houghton
University**

Diploma Tracks

**Four Specialized
Levels**



Where is Houghton Academy?



Houghton Academy is strategically located in one of the most famous and connected regions in the USA / Canada and the world. New York City (a.k.a., "The Big Apple"), on the Southeastern side of the State, is home to Wall Street (the financial hub of the world), the Statue of Liberty (the Gateway to North America, and the beacon for freedom for centuries), Broadway, Fifth Avenue, Times Square (Cultural Ground Zero) and the United Nations.

Other major political and educational power centers, such as Boston, Chicago, Washington, D.C., and Canadian cities of Toronto, Montreal, and Quebec City, are also in the region. **Eighteen of the top twenty-five ranked universities in the United States are within a day's drive of Houghton Academy. Additionally, ten of the top twenty-five ranked universities in the world are within the same region.**

With easy access to all the metropolitan resources on the East Coast of the USA, Houghton Academy also offers safety and freedom from distractions to study in its charming and friendly small-town culture. Houghton Academy and Houghton University have made it feel like "home" to thousands of students worldwide for over 140 years.

Academic Offerings

Over 250 Classes including 150+ for University/Dual Credit, plus 15+ APs, all with no extra fees!

Houghton Academy, in collaboration with Houghton University, offers an expansive ON-SITE and ON-LINE traditional high school, A.P. and university curriculum via multiple delivery methods that make for the most individualized education possible. The result is over 250 classes options, opportunities for extensive university credit, valuable experience within a wide variety of learning methods and enormous savings for parents. Some students are able to take Level 300 and 400 university classes. In addition, the middle school offers a traditional liberal arts American curriculum focusing on English proficiency and high school preparation. A.P. and Dual Credit classes are free for full paying students. Class offerings are subject to change by semester.

Science	Math	History	Language
ON-CAMPUS for HS Credit Biology Chemistry Physics Earth Science Physical Science 9 & 10 Meteorology	ON-CAMPUS for HS Credit Pre-Algebra 1 Algebra 1 Geometry Algebra 2 Number Theory	ON-CAMPUS for HS Credit World History American History Global History Geography 1 & 2 Current Events Government and Economics	ON-CAMPUS for HS Credit Literature and Composition 1 & 2 American Literature & Composition British Literature & Composition Drama Spanish 1 & 2
ONLINE for HS Credit Chemistry Chemistry Honors AP Chemistry Biology AP Biology Marine Biology Anatomy & Physiology AP Environmental Science AP Physics Forensic - The Science of Crime Physics	ONLINE for HS Credit Algebra 1 Geometry Algebra 2 Algebra 2 Honors Pre-Calculus Calculus AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Statistics	ONLINE for HS Credit Global West US History Economics (1 Sem) Psychology (1 Sem) US Government (1 Sem) AP US Government & Politics AP US History AP World History - Modern AP Macroeconomics (1 Sem) AP Microeconomics (1 Sem) AP Psychology Human Geography	ONLINE for HS Credit Chinese 1, 2, 3 & 4 Latin 1, 2 & 3 French 1, 2, 3 & 4 Spanish 1, 2, 3 & 4 American Sign Language 1, 2 & 3 AP /English Language & Composition Analytical Reading Grammar and Composition Honors Rhetoric and Style, & Honors African and American Literature C S Lewis Creative Writing English I & 2 English 11 & 12
ONLINE for HS Credit & University Credit Intro. to Agricultural Studies	ONLINE for HS Credit & University Credit College Algebra	ONLINE for HS Credit & University Credit American History	ONLINE for HS Credit & University Credit Speech Communication English: Exposition & Argument
Houghton University ON-CAMPUS for HS and University Credit General Biology: A,B,C,D Emergency Medical Service Training Medical Terminology Human Anatomy & Physiology II, A&B Conservation Biology: A&B General Chemistry II, A, B, C, & D Chemistry Instr. Research A & B Science Honors 1 General Physics II Digital Electronics Pandemics Pathogens People Science & Superheroes Science: Island Biogeography Science: Climate Science Science: Nuclear Age Reason & Abstraction: Graph Theory Reason & Abstraction: Data for Good Statics A & B	Houghton University ON-CAMPUS for HS and University Credit Calculus I with Pre-calculus B Calculus 2 Differential Equations Linear Algebra Graph Theory	Houghton University ON-CAMPUS for HS and University Credit Principles of Microeconomics Macroeconomics Intro to Global Studies Early Modern World A, B, C & D Modern World A & B History of Global Christianity Adolescence & Emerging Adulthood Intro to Global Studies Intro to Psychology Culture and Human Development Lifespan Development of the Family	Houghton University ON-CAMPUS for HS and University Credit German Level 2 Beginning Greek Level 2 Foundation of Digital Communication Intro to Communication Theory Interpersonal Communication Organizational Communication Marketing Principles Intercultural Communication Intro to Web Communication Intro to 3D Computer Graphics Graphic Design 1 Intro to Digital Photography Intro to Digital Imaging Introduction to Swahili Introduction to Linguistics Visual Personal Narrative Writing in the Liberal Arts A & C
Houghton University ONLINE for HS & University Credit	Houghton University ONLINE for HS & University Credit	Houghton University ONLINE for HS & University Credit Principles of Microeconomics Modern World History of Rock & Roll & Comm. Music Intro to Psychology Adolescence & Emerging Adulthood	Houghton University ONLINE for HS & University Credit Visual Literature

Academic Offerings

Technology/Business	Fine Arts & Music	Culture & Religion	Other
ON-CAMPUS for HS Credit Computer Literacy Intro to Computer Languages Typing Advanced Technology	ON-CAMPUS for HS Credit Photography Graphic Design Music Performance Music Composition Digital Music Composition	ON-CAMPUS for HS Credit Bible Survey Worldviews Introduction to the Bible	ON-CAMPUS for HS Credit Health P.E. Self Defense
ONLINE for HS Credit Sports and Entertainment Marketing International Business Intro to Computer Languages Intro to Programming AP Computer Science Finance	ONLINE for HS Credit Fashion Design Interior Design Music Appreciation AP Art History Photography Art in World Cultures Digital World- Computer Literacy Digital Photography	ONLINE for HS Credit Hebrew Bible (1 Sem) Jesus and the Gospels (1 Sem) Christian Spiritual Practices (1 Sem) Intro. to Christian Theology (1 Sem) Conversations in Faith & Culture Models of Christian Service in Film	ONLINE for HS Credit Early Childhood Education
ONLINE for HS Credit & University Credit Personal Finance	ONLINE for HS Credit & University Credit	ONLINE for HS Credit & University Credit Intro. to Christian Scripture Arts & Western Culture	ONLINE for HS Credit & University Credit Intro. to Sociology Intro. to Philosophy
Houghton University ON-CAMPUS for HS and University Credit Intro to Cybersecurity Cybercrime and Governance Data Science for Beninners Data Science 1 Financial Accounting Managerial Accounting Business Communication Principles of Management Business Law 1 Marketing Principles Programming II Data Structures and Algorithms C++	Houghton University ON-CAMPUS for HS and University Credit Intro to Music Tech.+Recording Arts Intro to Music Business String Techniques Music & Global Culure in Christian Persp Music History & Literature II Music & Listening : An Introcuction Music Theory I Musicianship I Introduction to Music Therapy Foreign Language Diction Houghton Jazz Ensemble Foundation of Digital Communication Painting 1 Art of Low Countries & Belgium Graphic Design 1 Sculpture 1 Ceramics I Intro. to Digital Photography Intro. to Digital Imaging Special Topics: Watercolor 1	Houghton University ON-CAMPUS for HS and University Credit History of Global Christianity Poetic Books Intro to Christian Ministries Christian Movement Eastern Religions Integration of Faith & Sport Intro to Christianity A & B Emmanuel Scholars Race and the American Church Biblical Literature A & B Biblical Interpretation	Houghton University ON-CAMPUS for HS and University Credit Intro to Criminal Justice Topics in Professionalism Education and American Culture Educational Psychology Children Literature Education Exceptional Learners Horsemanship 1 Developing an Independent Seat Horsemanship 11 Horsemanship Jumping 1 Dressage Equestrian Pedagogy Methods Wellness for Life A & B Holistic Health Intro to Global Issues Global Church Cultures Cultural Anthropology Intro to Sociology Imagination Integration of Faith & Sport Intro to Sociology Imagination
Houghton University ONLINE for HS & University Credit	Houghton University ONLINE for HS & University Credit	Houghton University ONLINE for HS & University Credit Biblical Literature Intro to Christianity	Houghton University ONLINE for HS & University Credit Intro to Sociology

Diploma Tracks

Houghton Academy offers a unique opportunity for students to achieve one of four different Diploma Tracks and thereby gain an advantage when applying to universities.



College Preparatory Diploma

Totals 22 credits including 4 credits of English and Social Studies and 3 credits of Math and Science.



Advanced College Preparatory Diploma

Totals 25 credits including all College Preparatory Diploma requirements plus 3 additional upper-level courses (e.g., A.P., Honors).



Diploma of Excellence

Totals 28 credits including all Advanced College Preparatory Diploma requirements plus 3 additional credits in college-level dual enrollment and a minimum G.P.A. of 3.0.



Diploma of Excellence & Emphasis

Totals 30 credits including Diploma of Excellence requirements plus 2 additional credits in an area of emphasis (e.g., STEM, Fine Arts).

Diploma Tracks

GRADE 9	College Prep Diploma	Advanced College Prep Diploma	Diploma of Excellence	Diploma of Excellence & Emphasis	AA Degree
English Language Arts	1	1	1	1	1
Math	1	1	1	1	1
Science	1	1	1	1	1
Social Studies	1	1	1	1	1
Religious Studies	1	1	1	1	1
Foreign Language	1	1	1	1	1
Fine Arts	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
P. E. / Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Electives	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0.5
Grade 9 Credit	7.5	7.5	7.5	7	7.5

GRADE 10	College Prep Diploma	Advanced College Prep Diploma	Diploma of Excellence	Diploma of Excellence & Emphasis	AA Degree
English Language Arts	1	1	1	1	1
Math	1	1	1	1	1
Science	1	1	1	1	1
Social Studies	1	1	1	1	1
Religious Studies	1	1	1	1	1
Foreign Language	0	1	1	1	1
Fine Arts	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1
P.E. / Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Electives	1	1	1	1	1
Liberal Arts Core	0	0	0	0	1
Grade 10 Credit	7	8	8	8	8.5

GRADE 11	College Prep Diploma	Advanced College Prep Diploma	Diploma of Excellence	Diploma of Excellence & Emphasis	AA Degree
English Language Arts	1	1	1	1	1
Math	1	1	1	1	1
Science	1	1	1	1	1.5
Social Studies	1	1	1	1	1
Religious Studies	1	1	1	1	1
Foreign Language	0	0	1	1	1
Fine Arts	0	0	0	0	0
P.E. / Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Electives	1	1	2	3	2
Liberal Arts Core	0	0	0	0	1
Grade 11 Credit	6.5	6.5	8.5	9.5	9

GRADE 12	College Prep Diploma	Advanced College Prep Diploma	Diploma of Excellence	Diploma of Excellence & Emphasis	AA Degree
English Language Arts	1	1	1	1	1
Math	0	0	0	0	1
Science	0	0	0	0	0
Social Studies	1	1	1	1	1
Religious Studies	1	1	1	0.5	2
Foreign Language	0	0	0	0	0
Fine Arts	0	0	0	0	2
P.E. / Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Electives	1	1	3	4	2
Liberal Arts Core	0	0	0	0	2
Grade 12 Credit	4.5	4.5	6.5	7	9.5

Diploma Credit Requirement	22	25	28	30	33
Diploma Credit Earned	25.5	26.5	30.5	31.5	34.5

English Support at Houghton Academy



While studying in the United States as an international student, English is essential. However, Houghton Academy believes almost all students, even those with weaker language proficiency, can catch up if needed and reach the target level with the appropriate support resources and dedicated effort. Consequently, the Academy is willing to accept and support students at all English levels. Following are categories of support.



ESL Students are already at language target levels when accepted. These students will function effectively within regular school classes and activities after a typical transition period. ESL Students receive the benefit of regular preschool orientation, ongoing and periodic group support, helpful, caring teachers, small class sizes with daily interaction, encouraging American friends, Home Dorm life with adult oversight, extensive opportunities for activity participation after school and on weekends, and coordinated support by leaders. No extra fee is required for ESL Students.



ESL 1 Students are slightly below the language target levels when accepted. These students are identified during the interview and provided English Language Learner (ELL) support as long as they need it throughout their first year. The weekly ELL support is in addition to ESL students' resources. The typical result is successful acclimation and catching up within the first year. No extra fee is required for ESL 1 Students.



ESL 2 Students are significantly below the language target levels when accepted. They need more support than the weekly ELL support for ESL 1 Students. Accordingly, the Academy offers two additional specialized programs to meet these needs. Additional fees are required for ESL 2 Students.



ESL 2 Students are highly recommended to enroll in an intensive English Language Program taught by native English-speaking teachers the summer before starting at Houghton Academy or as soon as possible. One such summer program is often available on campus at Houghton Academy. Without this type of supplemental program, ESL 2 Summer Students are not likely to succeed academically. Upon beginning at Houghton Academy, the ESL 2 Summer Students will begin and continue in Double ELL Support until they no longer need it. Typically, ESL 2 Students start in grades 8, 9, or 10. Additional fees are required for all ESL 2 Students.



ESL 2 School Year Students are ESL 2 Students with the most severe catchup needs. They will typically require more work than the one summer of intensive work and Double ELL Support during their first year. In addition to the intensive summer work, ESL 2 School Year Students must also participate in a semester long or more school year support program. Thus, their class schedule during their first year is individually designed to be lighter to ensure year one is manageable and supports success. Any makeup credits will be added to the following two, three, or four years.

Students benefit from the same educational opportunities over three, four, or five years but are in different sequences. Expectations ramp up as the student is correspondingly able to handle them. ESL 2 School Year Students receive all the support of ESL 2 and ESL 1 Students with additional specialized support (Double ELL Support, weekly check-ins, extra Home Dorm supervision, and similar accountability). Additional fees are required for ESL 2 Students. All ESL2 students are required to attend our extended orientation before school begins and may be required to sign up for our Learning Coach Program (extra fees).



Houghton University Access

Houghton Academy is fortunate to have Houghton University located within a five-minute walk of our campus. As the Academy and the University were birthed from the same school in 1883 (i.e., Houghton Seminary), the University continues to provide Academy students access to their extensive library, bookstore, recreation and athletic center, Olympic-size pool, musical concerts, drama productions, famous speakers, and unlimited food court!

Academy students are allowed with permission to participate in university classes and selected extracurriculars (e.g., University Band, Calculus, Chemistry, The Ancient World, Mass Media, Microeconomics, Psychology, Sociology, World Literature, Linguistics, and Cultural Anthropology) and receive University credit that may transfer in the future to the University or College of their choice (potentially saving families thousands of dollars in future higher education tuition).



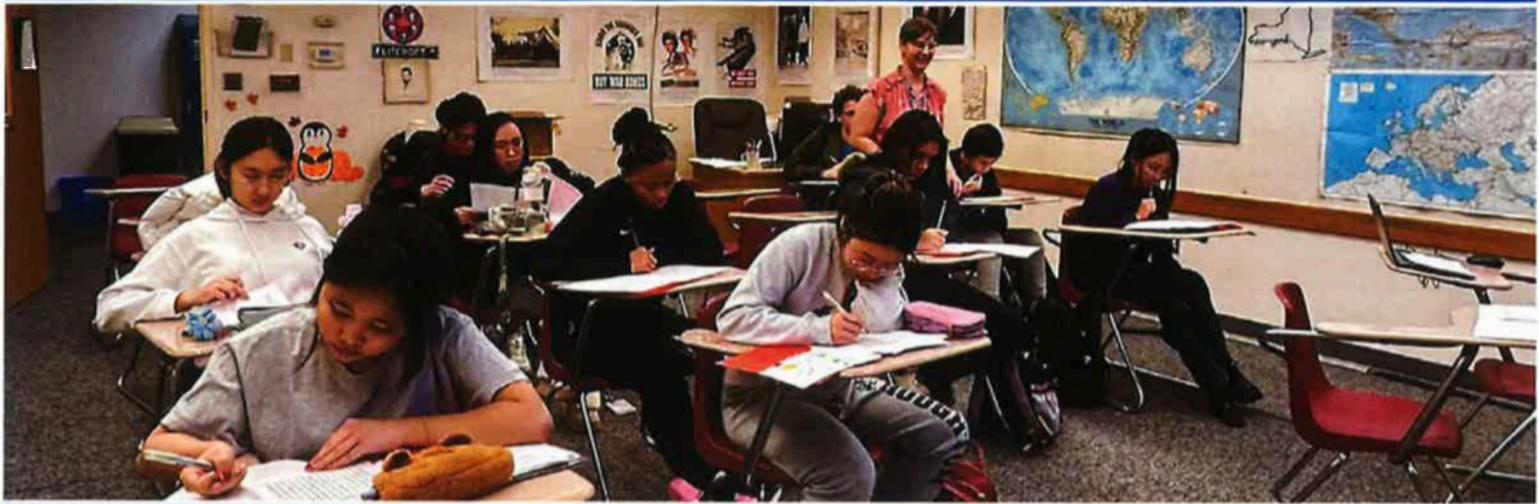
Majors

- Accounting
- Applied Design & Visual Communication
- Applied Physics
- Engineering Emphasis
- Art Studio
- Behavioral Neuroscience
- Bible
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Biomedical Sciences
- Human Resources Management
- Organizational Management
- Chemistry Communication
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Data Science
- Education | Adolescence
- Education | Inclusive Adolescence
- Education | Inclusive Childhood
- English
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Studies
- Equestrian
- Exercise Science
- History
- International Development
- Intercultural Studies
- Mathematics
- Music
- Music Composition
- Music Education
- Music Industry
- Music Performance
- Neuroscience
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sport, Recreation, & Wellness Management
- Theology
- Writing
- Worship Arts

Pre-Professional Programs

- Pre-Art Therapy
- Pre-Law
- Pre-Physical Therapy
- 3+1 Nursing Program
- Pre-Nursing
- Pre-Med
- Pre-Veterinary
- Pre-Nursing
- Pre-Pharmacy
- Biomedical Sciences





University Preparation

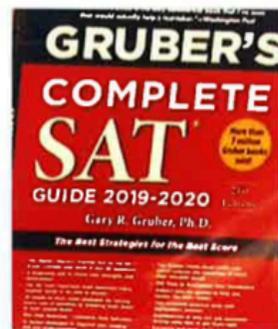
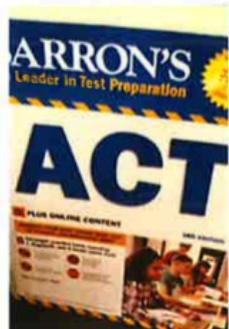
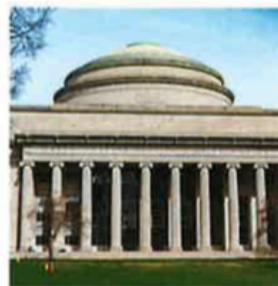
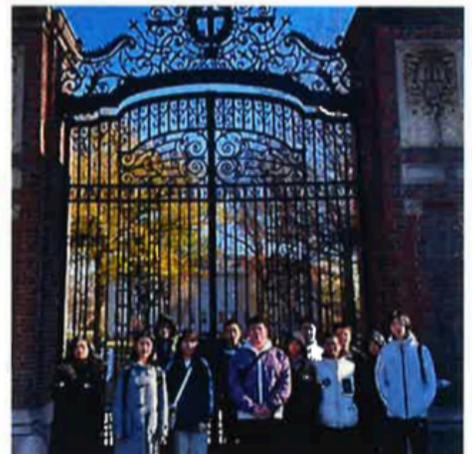
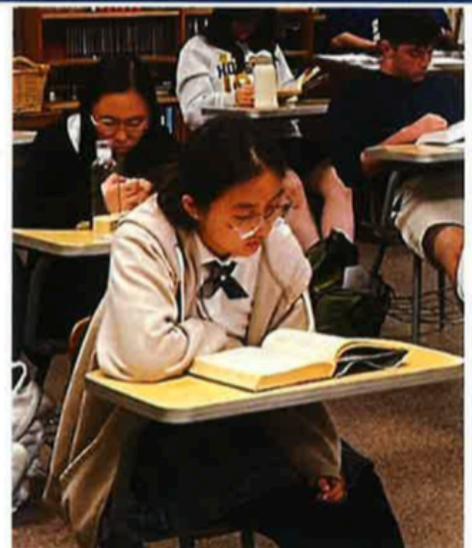
Houghton Academy understands the critical need for expert guidance through middle and high school as students prepare for their targeted universities.

Our Guidance Personnel work closely with students individually and in groups. The following are areas of support:

- Develop a 4-year personalized education plan
- Ensure a proper mix of classes and activities while maximizing students' Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Assist with testing, application, and reference support through the university process
- Provide ongoing support as graduates seek internships and graduate school placements
- Houghton Academy university applicants have a 100% acceptance rate!

Educational Travel

Houghton Academy offers a variety of university and cultural visit trips throughout the school year, such as the Boston or New York areas, with visits to Harvard, MIT, Boston College, Gordon College, Yale, NYU, Princeton, and others. Students have valuable opportunities to meet admissions staff from these universities and get a natural feel for each university community. In addition, trips may include cultural outings to National Basketball Association (NBA) games, Broadway Shows, and visits to Times Square and the Statue of Liberty. Additional trips to specific universities can be planned according to interest.



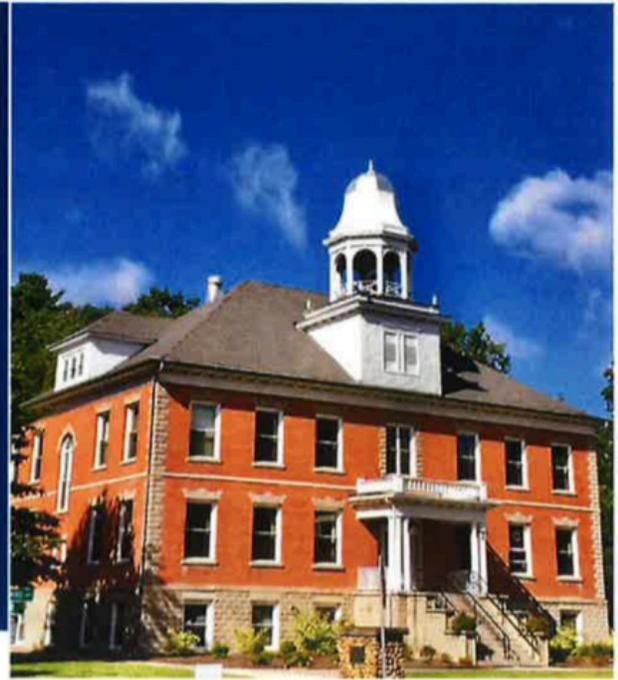


Guaranteed University Acceptance

Houghton Academy offers one of the most unique programs in America. If a student successfully graduates from our high school (with a B average in good standing), he/she is guaranteed acceptance into an American university.

Through a partnership agreement with Houghton University, students can move seamlessly from Houghton Academy into university education. Although they are not required to attend Houghton University, they have a huge advantage of already securing one university acceptance even before they leave their home country and arrive in the United States.

Houghton University is one of the most economically priced private universities in the U.S.A.



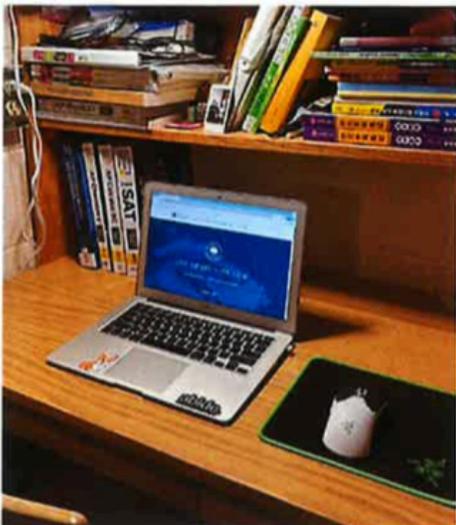
University Placement

Over recent years, Houghton Academy graduates have been accepted into over one hundred different American universities, including:

Sample Universities	Rank	Ranking Organization
U.C. Berkeley	#1	Forbes
Cornell University	#4	Top 200
Middlebury College	#5	Liberal Arts
University of Michigan	#7	Top 200
UCLA	#8	Forbes
Purdue University	#18	Top 200
Penn State University	#19	Top 200
Georgetown University	#21	Forbes
The Ohio State University	#22	Forbes
Boston University	#42	Forbes



Residential Life



Safety

We understand every parent's first concern is the safety. This is exactly one of the important reasons to consider Houghton for your child. Many would suggest that the small, countryside town of Houghton is one of the safest places in the U.S. Houghton is located in the beautiful, picturesque rolling hills of western New York State away from the distractions and dangers of a big city. People in the small town all know each other and live as friendly neighbors. They look out for each other as well as our students who become part of the local community. Cigarettes and alcohol and other undesirable things for teenagers are not even available in town. The serious crime rate of the past decade is zero! Houghton is a place your child can be safe, free from distractions or concerns while growing and maturing.

Religious Affiliation

Houghton Academy is a college preparatory international school that is distinctively Christian. While students are not required to share or accept Christianity as a religion, they are expected to learn and be respectful towards our faith. For those who come without any religious background or understanding of Christianity, the Academy provides students an opportunity to become well-educated and well-rounded individuals who understand why and how Christianity became the largest religion in the world. For those with an established Christian faith and particular denominational preference or theology, the Academy respects those values and provides opportunities for further growth and development.

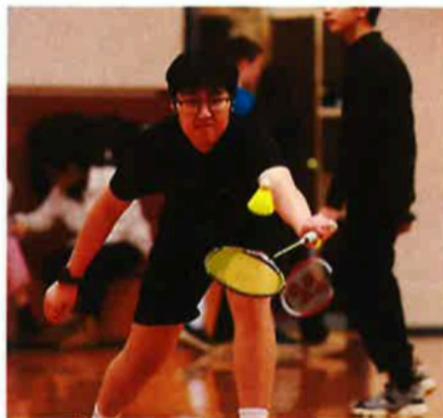
All students are expected to live by common Christian and school standards such as obedience to authority, respect for everyone, honesty, self-discipline, empathy towards others, and avoiding bad influences and habits while acting responsibly and reliably. Weekly church attendance is required.



Student Activities

Houghton Academy believes learning continues after classes end. Experiences offered in recent and current years include:

Clubs	Athletics	Music/Drama	Organizations/Clubs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Math Team • History Club • Business Club • Chess Club • Art Club • Culture Club • Film Club • Spiritual Formation • Carpentry Club • E-Sport Club • Technology Club • Ski Club • Frisbee Club • Fitness Club • Badminton • Cheerleading • Equestrian 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table Tennis • Track and Field • Volleyball • Basketball • Soccer • Tennis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choir (HU) • Musicals • Band (HU) • Dramas • Worship Team • Recorder Ensemble • Private Lessons • Strings • Vocal • Piano 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Model UN • Student Council • Class Officers • Dorm Council • Podcasting • National Honor Society • Holiday Celebration Parties • Dorm Parties & Activities • Movie nights & cooking



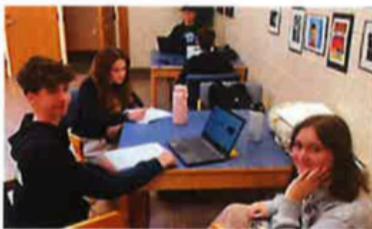


Admissions Standards

Of course, a student needs functional English to succeed, but we also care about the student's character. Houghton Academy realizes no one is perfect, and we each have growth areas. But we do look carefully at patterns in our applicants' lives in addition to English levels. The Academy will work with lower English levels than our targets if the student demonstrates the other essential characteristics.

Characteristics
Respectful
Honest
Open to new ideas
Hard working
Empathetic
Determined
Positive Attitude

Target English Levels	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
TOEFL	40	40	45	50	60	70
iTEP	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5
CEFR	A1	A1	A1	A2	B1	B2
TOEFL IBT	30	30	45	65	85	100
IELTS	4.0	4.0	4.5	5.5	7.0	7.5
PTE General	L1	L1	L1	L2	L3	L4
PTE Academic	30	30	40	50	60	70



Rolling Admissions

Most schools have deadlines for when students can start in their school. However, Houghton Academy understands that obtaining passports, visas, I-20s, transcripts, transferring money, scheduling flights, and even getting the internet to work are all often unpredictable and out of our control. Consequently, although there are preferable start dates, the Academy accommodates student and family needs by allowing students to start classes when they are able to arrive.

Costs & Payment Plans

Contact us with the current annual fees and detailed information on our financial procedures and four payment plans. Our Full Inclusive Rate includes Tuition, Room, Board, Activity, Health Insurance, Laundry, Transportation for school activities, Yearbook, School Picture & Graduation fees.

Admission Steps

1

SUBMIT AN APPLICATION

Visit houghtonacademy.org/boardingprogram and click on "Apply Today"

2

SUBMIT YOUR UPDATED TRANSCRIPT

Submit your most recent transcript or informal record of all of high school classes taken and currently enrolled in.

3

SCHEDULE & COMPLETE ONLINE INTERVIEW

- Once the application and all supporting materials have been received, a Zoom, WhatsApp, or WeChat Online Interview will be scheduled
- The interview is a one-on-one 60 minute interview between the student and Houghton Academy's Boarding Director. Parents should not be present during the interview but may ask questions at the end.
- Please ensure the student prepares an English book for the reading assessment. No other preparation is required.

4

RECEIVE ADMISSIONS RESULT

Once the student has completed the interview AND their transcripts have been evaluated, they will receive their admission decision (usually within 48 hours of the interview). If accepted, the student will receive an official acceptance letter and a request for any additional documents needed.

5

SIGN ENROLLMENT CONTRACT & MAKE PAYMENT

The student's family will have 20 calendar days to accept or reject the admission offer. This will be communicated by signing the enrollment contract, selecting a payment plan, and submitting the required deposit.

All payments/wires must be identified by the student's name!

6

OBTAIN YOUR F-1 VISA & NOTIFY US

- As soon as the deposit and all required documents have been submitted, students will receive an I-20 after making the deposit and need to contact the appropriate US Embassy or Consulate to schedule an interview for an F-1 student visa.
- Notify Houghton Academy upon receiving your F-1 visa.

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MAKE FINAL PAYMENT & SUBMIT REMAINING MATERIALS

- Any remaining payment and records are due according to the terms of your enrollment contract. Failure to make full payment within this period may result in the cancellation of the student's I-20.
- Note: Do NOT purchase flight tickets or make any travel plans before making the final payment and turning in all requested documents.

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SUBMIT TRAVEL DETAILS

- The student's family should purchase flights to Buffalo Niagara International Airport, NY (BUF), and let Houghton Academy know of the student's travel plans.
- HA only accepts travel arrangements after receiving the full payment and admission document.

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