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STUDENT SERVICES & ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE



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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Dear Future Student,

Within these pages you will find many reasons to consider High Point University for your college experience. I encourage you to consider the outstanding qualities of our academic programs, our beautiful campus and our unrivaled student support services. I could go on and extol those virtues, but I want to speak directly to one aspect of selecting a college or university that is close to my own heart.

As a parent of three college students, I have realized the importance of a secure physical environment in an academic climate that nurtures intellectual growth and creativity. As the Director of International Student Services and English as a Second Language, I aim to ensure that the international students who choose to make HPU their home will thrive in such an environment. We have a beautiful, safe campus as well as caring, dynamic faculty and staff who provide an atmosphere that fosters learning and exploration. My office is here to provide support and guidance in respect to the unique needs of international students. Working with international students has been a passion of mine for many years, and I am committed to making HPU the most welcoming and caring place that it can be for students who are far from home.

For those of you who may not be familiar with the United States, one thing that you will learn is that “southerners” are known for our hospitality. As children we are taught that when “company” comes, we are to be on our best behavior, and to do anything that we can to see that our guests are made to feel like they are at home. I aim to provide our international students with that caring environment.

I realize that not all international students will need much special attention; some will navigate their years at HPU without ever calling on my office to provide support; however, there should be some level of assurance in knowing that if you need help, my office is here for you. Parents of students studying abroad can rest assured that they can reach out to my office if needed. As I said, I am a parent, too. I have asked myself how I would want my own children to be treated if they were studying in another country. The truth is, I would want to know that there is at least one person who would care for my children like they care for their own, and who will see them not just as “students” but as unique, interesting people in need of compassion, empathy, support and guidance. I see that as my role — to be that person for HPU’s international students.

I welcome any questions that you might have as you navigate the process of selecting a university, and I hope that you will decide to make High Point University your home-away-from-home.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marjorie R. Church".

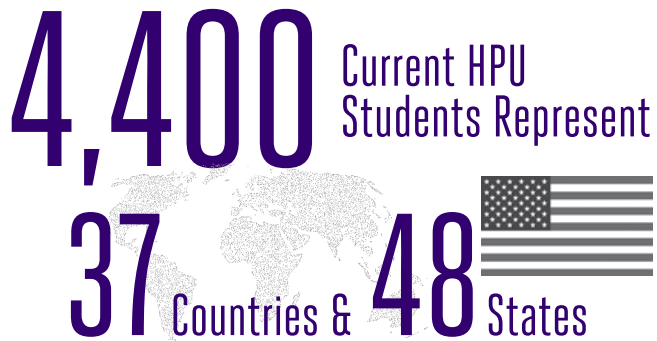
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ABOUT HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY

HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY is committed to academic excellence. Students are taught by distinguished professors who are actively involved in both teaching and scholarly research. Emphasis on undergraduate research provides students and faculty the opportunity to work collaboratively on a number of special projects and initiatives.



STUDENT : FACULTY



More than 150 HPU students come from around the world with many coming from China, United Kingdom, Saudi Arabia, Brazil, Canada, Mexico, Australia, Hong Kong, Germany and Ghana

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

High Point University president Dr. Nido Qubein's inspiring life story is one filled with adversity and abundance. It is through the lens of his life accomplishments that one appreciates his current role as an educator, philanthropist and passionate advocate for the development of our future leaders.

Not many university presidents teach a class, but Dr. Nido Qubein always proves the exception to the rule and, in fact, teaches two classes. At the age of 17, he came to the U.S. with little money and limited command of the English language. His achievements have earned him the Ellis Island Medal of Honor, induction into the Horatio Alger Society of Distinguished Americans and placement within the National Speaker's Association Hall of Fame. Dr. Qubein is a nationally recognized speaker, author and consultant.

PRESIDENT'S SEMINAR ON LIFE SKILLS

The President's Seminar on Life Skills is a required course for every freshman in which students reap the benefits of Dr. Qubein's lifetime of learning and achievement.

Through this class, students learn:

- How to develop positive self-esteem
- The fundamentals of leadership
- The art of goal-setting
- Time management skills
- Effective communication skills
- How to make persuasive presentations
- The importance of health and wellness
- Fundamentals of fiscal literacy
- Principles of stewardship
- Etiquette and protocol

PRESIDENT'S SEMINAR FOR SENIORS

The President's Seminar for Seniors focuses on how to successfully transition into the corporate arena and equips prospective graduates with the skills needed to succeed in today's ever-changing marketplace.

This course enhances personal, academic and professional development by encouraging seniors to:

- Study the transition from life in college to life after college
- Examine the fundamentals of professionalism
- Study the concepts of health, wellness and financial responsibility
- Study the value of stewardship and community engagement
- Prepare for career opportunities
- Interview for careers effectively
- Become impactful citizens





NORTH CAROLINA

LOCATION & CLIMATE



CLIMATE

North Carolina has a mild climate, allowing us to enjoy a few days of light snow in the winter, long fall and spring seasons and warm sunshine in the summer. High Point experiences all four seasons.

LOCATION

High Point University is located in North Carolina on the east coast of the United States. We are fortunate to be located in the City of High Point, a city with a population of 100,000. High Point is a member of the Piedmont Triad, which has a population of over 1.4 million people. Some of the national and global companies in the area include: AT&T, Bank of America, Citicards, FedEx, Honda Aircraft Company, Klaussner Furniture Industries, Krispy Kreme, Lincoln Financial Group, Mack Trucks, Polo Ralph Lauren Corporation, Procter and Gamble, the Volvo Group, UPS and many others.

AIRPORT

Piedmont Triad International Airport (GSO)
 Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU)
 Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT)

DISTANCE

✈ 10 miles
 ✈ 80 miles
 ✈ 90 miles

HPU provides complimentary shuttle service for HPU students traveling to and from all three of these airports.

	AVERAGE HIGH	AVERAGE LOW
Jan	51°F (11°C)	30°F (-1°C)
Feb	56°F (13°C)	33°F (1°C)
Mar	64°F (17°C)	39°F (4°C)
Apr	74°F (23°C)	48°F (8°C)
May	80°F (27°C)	56°F (13°C)
Jun	87°F (30°C)	65°F (18°C)
Jul	90°F (32°C)	68°F (19°C)
Aug	88°F (31°C)	68°F (19°C)
Sep	82°F (28°C)	61°F (15°C)
Oct	73°F (23°C)	49°F (9°C)
Nov	63°F (17°C)	41°F (4°C)
Dec	53°F (11°C)	33°F (1°C)





NATIVE SPEAKERS OF ENGLISH

Students applying from countries where the native language is English must submit an SAT or ACT score in lieu of a TOEFL or IELTS score. Students attending a high school where they are instructed primarily in English may also submit an SAT or ACT score.



ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Unlike many universities, HPU offers both Intensive English Instruction as well as Advanced English as a Second Language courses. All non-native English speakers applying to the university must submit a TOEFL or an IELTS score. Students who are academically qualified but do not meet TOEFL or IELTS requirements may be admitted to HPU on the condition that they attend our partner language school, the American Language Academy in Greensboro, North Carolina prior to enrolling.

All students, regardless of the results of their English proficiency exams, will take an English placement exam on campus that will determine whether they will need to enroll in our English as a Second Language courses on campus. These are academic, credit-bearing courses that count as the student's foreign language requirement. All students have access to support services such as ESL tutoring free of charge.

TOP MAJORS OF FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

1. Business
2. Undeclared
3. Communication
4. Biology
5. Exercise Science
6. Psychology
7. Interior Design
8. Elementary Education
9. Criminal Justice
10. Pre-Pharmacy





SAFETY, SECURITY AND HEALTH SERVICES

SAFETY & SECURITY

High Point University is unlike most American universities in that it features gated entrances, secured perimeters, and key card access to all academic buildings and dorms. It is a campus that is designed to provide both comfort and security.



TOP 12
college security program
in the nation by
Security Magazine



HPU was recently named one of the top 12 college security programs in the nation by *Security Magazine*, making HPU one of the safest campuses in the U.S.



One of only three NC private universities with a
Full-Time Doctor

HEALTH SERVICES

High Point University's goal is to become our students' home away from home. As such, all international students must enroll in High Point University's medical insurance. HPU is one of only three private universities in North Carolina to have a full-time medical doctor as director of the student health center. This means that all students have access to quality care whenever they need it.

TRANSPORTATION

The High Point University Transportation Department offers the following complimentary services to students:

- **CAMPUS SHUTTLES:** continual shuttle service for locations on campus.
- **SHOPPING SHUTTLES:** service to Wal-Mart, Target, local grocery stores and shopping centers.
- **MEDICAL, DENTAL AND SPECIAL NEEDS:** transportation for doctor, dentist and physical therapy appointments.
- **AIRPORT AND HIGH POINT TRAIN STATION SHUTTLES:** service to/from the High Point Amtrak Train Station, Piedmont-Triad International Airport, Raleigh-Durham International Airport and Charlotte Douglas International Airport.

MAKING HPU HOME

High Point University is by design a residential campus. Ninety-nine percent of all first year students and 93 percent of all students live on campus. All HPU students live on campus until they reach senior status. This promotes a rich and engaging campus life and also allows international students to hone their English language skills while truly experiencing what living on a college campus has to offer. Roommate selection is based on results from a housing survey about individual living preferences. This is especially important for international students, as your roommate will likely be the person you practice your English with the most.



DINING

With 13 dining venues located throughout campus, students have a variety of menu options to suit their palates. We recognize that many students have specific dietary needs, and we gladly offer many accommodations including special dietary and nutritional programs.

INTERNATIONAL CLUB

HPU's International Club is one of the most vibrant organizations on campus. The goal of the International Club is to promote diversity within the HPU community. The organization focuses on creating a welcoming global environment for all students while embracing cultural differences and creating international awareness in the community. The club sponsors activities for members including an international fair, international dinners and weekend trips and excursions. The International Week is a great chance for all of our international students to share their culture and heritage with other HPU students.





CAMPUS RESOURCES



Cottrell Hall is home to the Flanagan Center for Student Success. This 43,000-square-foot facility was funded entirely by parents and serves as a hub of professional development for students. It houses the Office of Career and Professional Development, Study Abroad, Undergraduate Research and Creative Works, a Sales and Entrepreneurship Center, a Creative Commons that reflects today's collaborative workforce, and more. A globe in front of the facility and international themes throughout reflect the 21st century global marketplace.



STUDENT INVOLVEMENT



The Office of Career & Professional Development at High Point University offers assistance in all aspects of the career planning, internship and employment process. The office plans a career trajectory for students according to their chosen majors and goals.



Reza Moghtaderi
Isfahan, Iran

From the first day of his enrollment at HPU, Moghtaderi made a commitment to leave a positive mark on campus. He has tutored fellow students in subjects like chemistry, math and computer science.

“ I was able to start my own company before graduating college because High Point University helped me find what I’m passionate about, instilled in me a can do entrepreneurial attitude, and allowed me to be surrounded by individuals who truly care about me and my continual growth. ”

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Luiza Fogaca
Porto Alegre, Brazil

“ HPU provided so many opportunities for us to chase our dreams. The school gave us the tools; we just had to take advantage of it and start the engine. ”



Pureun Kim
Daegu, South Korea

“ Every faculty member at HPU is dedicated to helping each student one-on-one. HPU is where you can find a path to a bright future, mainly because of the caring people and extraordinary environment. ”



Marina Berenguer
Sao Paulo, Brazil

“ When I first arrived at High Point University, I was afraid that I would miss home and that it would be difficult to make friends. I quickly realized how nice and welcoming everyone was and how much it felt like home. ”



Yu Lin Pan
Beijing, China

“ HPU is a very pretty school, and you know the professors really care about every student. My favorite thing to do is walk around campus because it is so beautiful. ”





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1. TOM PARRISH, class of 2016 and business administration major, interned with Classic Home during the fall High Point International Home Furnishings Market.
2. Phillips Collection, a high-end, contemporary furniture manufacturer, recently hired HPU alum RACHAEL BOZSIK, class of 2015, to assist with marketing as a brand ambassador.
3. DUCHANTE DAVIS, class of 2015, works for Teach for America in San Jose, Calif.
4. HPU Class of 2015 member, ZACK RUSSELL, is pursuing a master's degree in sport science from the University of Colorado Colorado Springs after receiving a certified degree in Athletic Training in May.
5. BARRETT SOUTH, class of 2015 business major, accepted a position as an Executive Team Leader at Target.
6. ARIEL GARIEPY, class of 2014, works at Microsoft as the Program Coordinator for the Campaign Technology Services team.



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