Ashesi at a Glance
Educating ethical, entrepreneurial leaders in Africa

Founded to meet a critical need
In 2002, when Patrick Awuah, Ashesi's Ghanaian founder, chose to leave his successful US software career and return home, he founded Ashesi to address Africa's biggest roadblocks to progress: the need for ethical leadership and innovative thinking.

Since 2002, Ashesi has grown from 30 students to 1,174 students, and is recognized as one of Africa's top universities. Yet our founding mission remains: To educate a new generation of ethical and entrepreneurial leaders in Africa; to cultivate within our students the critical thinking skills, the concern for others, and the courage it will take to transform their continent.

> Africa will be transformed under the leadership of bright young Africans who are educated in Africa, taught to think critically, to question, to solve problems and above all, to care.
>
> I founded Ashesi to be the spark of a revitalized Africa. Ashesi is a catalyst for new enterprises and new solutions, and offers a new model for other universities in Africa.
>
> - Patrick Awuah
> Founder & President

A unique curriculum, with proven results
- A rigorous liberal arts core fosters critical thinking, communication, and problem-solving skills.
- Cutting-edge programs in Business, Engineering, Computer Science, and MIS prepare students to innovate in their fields.
- Leadership seminars, community service projects, and a rigorous honor code foster ethics.
- Real-world projects and an emphasis on design thinking challenge students to create innovative, practical solutions to Africa's needs.

Our 1,300 graduates work for progress in Africa
- On average, 94% of Ashesi graduates receive job offers, enter graduate school, or launch a business within six months of starting their search.
- Over 90% of alumni have chosen to stay and work for progress in Africa.
- Over 300 recruiting partners help graduates receive quality job offers. Employers include General Electric, The World Bank, Google, Oxfam America, IBM, Nestle, USAID, Unilever, and Microsoft.
- Graduates start new enterprises and grow local and international businesses and NGOs.

Transforming the lives of women and students from poor families
- 48% of students are women.
- 43% of students receive scholarships. 25% of students are fully supported for room, board, and tuition.

Fostering diversity and harmony
Our 1,174 students from over 24 African nations have diverse economic, ethnic, and religious backgrounds.

A leveraged, sustainable model
Annual operating costs are covered by tuition, freeing Ashesi to leverage donors' gifts for infrastructure, new programs, and more scholarships. We plan to broaden our impact by growing to 1,200 students by 2020 while maintaining our strong culture of ethics and critical thinking.

JOIN US
To learn more about Ashesi and how you can partner with us, contact us at 206.545.6988 or foundation@ashesi.org.

Ashesi University in Ghana · Ethical Leadership and Innovative Thinking for a New Africa
Ashesi University Foundation · 1201 3rd Avenue, Suite 2200 · Seattle, WA 98101
foundation@ashesi.org · www.ashesi.org · (206) 545 - 6988