



October 2025

Teaching and Community work in Tanzania

A1 English Language / A1 English Literature / A1 English Language & Literature / A1 Business / A1 Economics

Thursday 2 July - Saturday 11 July 2026

Number of places: 50

Costs: Approx £3250

Trip Leader: Jo Ward (j.ward@bhasvic.ac.uk)

Please note that this trip is running in Skills Week.

BHASVIC is pleased to offer residential trips to our students alongside their studies as not only does it support their learning but also give a great opportunity to grow independence, develop life skills and make new friends as they move on to adulthood.

As part of the enrichment and skills focus at the end of the summer term, the English, Business & Economic departments are running a very exciting teaching and community residential trip to Tanzania. We have a great partnership with Projects Abroad who organise educational trips to work with the Maasai Mara Community in their schools and they have put together an enriching and varied programme for us.

We will be working with children and teachers in community schools near Arusha on the edge of Kilimanjaro National Park. Students will work with teachers to support children's literacy through reading stories and helping them to write as well as involving them in sports and playing games. There will also be time for creativity, lessons on healthy living and all under the guidance of the Maasai teachers and accompanying BHASVIC staff. Students will also undertake work around the school such as painting murals and maintenance and enhancement of the school grounds. There will be much to learn about sustainability and the economics of funding projects in this beautiful part of the world.

Other parts of the proposed itinerary include: **a wildlife safari trip to Tarangire National Park** where we will have the chance to see lions, elephants, giraffe and an abundance of wildlife with expert guides. We will also go **hiking up Mount Meru** to find the beautiful Meru waterfalls and enjoy the stunning scenery. In addition, the group will enjoy community meals and traditional drumming and dancing with the Masai community as well as learning some Swahili to better communicate with our hosts. Students will also have the options of evening activities such as quizzes and cookery lessons. Accommodation will be in a guesthouse in Arusha used regularly by Projects Abroad.

The cost of the trip is approximately £3250 dependent on airfare. This includes:

- Return coach travel in UK between BHASVIC and airport (further details to follow)
- flights and all additional travel costs
- nine nights guest house accommodation in Arusha, Tanzania
- All food costs
- hike to Mount Meru; wildlife safari with guides
- All entertainment and community activities
- BHASVIC travel insurance
- 5% BHASVIC emergency contingency.
- VISA for Tanzania

Not included in the cost:

- vaccinations (please consult your GP)
- spending money on snacks, souvenirs etc.

We hope you can join us for this exciting trip, please see the following pages on how to sign-up and pay.

Please contact Jo Ward in the first instance for more information: j.ward@bhasvic.ac.uk

How to sign-up

To make sure that all students interested in joining this trip get a fair chance of getting a place we ask that you complete a sign-up form via this link. [Residential sign-up form](#) This does not secure you a place at this stage.

One application per student please and only put the students name down if you are sure they are 100% committed to going on the trip. You can only select one Residential Trip to apply for during Skills Week. The deadline to complete the form is Friday 14 November 2025.

If the trip is oversubscribed, we will randomly pick students for the places. We will then email parents/ carers on Friday 28 November 2025 to let you know if the student does/ does not have a place. Those that don't will go on a waiting list. Those with a place will then need to respond by 15 December 2025 to confirm the place otherwise your place will be withdrawn and offered to a student on the waiting list. Deposits will then need to be paid by the deadline below to secure the place.

Paying the Deposit

The cost of this trip is £3250

Please make sure you read the terms & conditions at the end of this letter before proceeding with payment.

Once you have received the email confirming the place on the trip you will be able to log into your BHASVIC Parent Pay account and pay the initial deposit of £250 by midday Friday 16 January 2026.
Payment of the deposit secures the place on the trip

If the deadline is missed for deposit payment, then the place will be offered to a student on the waiting list

Remaining balance

Once the deposit has been paid you can pay the remaining balance of £3,000 in 3 instalments via Parent Pay by the dates shown below. You can also make intermittent payments before those dates or pay in full.

16 February 2026	£1000
16 March 2026	£1000
16 April 2026	£1000

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

Once you have paid the deposit and the trip is full, we will email parents/ carers a link to the online Residential Trip Form. This form collects emergency contacts/ medical details/ passport information (if applicable) etc. Completion of this form is a requirement for the student to participate in the trip. All information is stored in line with data protection laws and will be deleted after the trip is completed.

Students will be required to complete a separate Code of Conduct form for the trip.

There will be a trip meeting for students held nearer the departure date where they will have an opportunity to meet the group and the Trip Leaders, ask any questions and receive the Trip Pack which will give them all the travel details/ emergency contacts whilst they are away. We will also email this pack to parents/ carers.

Please make sure BHASVIC have your most up-to-date email & you check your junk mail. We will also let students know any information that needs to be relayed to their parent/ carer.

Please note - This is a non-compulsory trip and an enrichment activity. BHASVIC has approximately 4000 students making our course cohorts very large. We are therefore unable to offer places for all students on this trip. If your young person misses out there will be more opportunities for enrichment activities over their two years at BHASVIC.

On all residential trips, an average contribution of 5% has been incorporated into the overall trip cost to support the BHASVIC Emergency Contingency Fund. This fund is intended to cover any unforeseen expenses that may arise whilst your young person is on the trip. Any surplus remaining in the contingency fund after the trip will be transferred to the Future Trips Fund, which provides financial assistance to our bursary students. If you do not wish to give your consent for this transfer, please contact us at cashdesk@bhasvic.ac.uk. If we do not hear from you, we will take this as your consent for any leftover contingency funds to be allocated to the Future Trips Fund. Should there be a sufficient surplus beyond the contingency allocation, we will reimburse the remaining amount to you.

Terms & conditions

1. At the time of writing the cost of this trip is correct. There may be occasions where elements of the trip will be affected by price rises which are out of BHASVIC's control. In these instances, this cost will be passed to the parent/carer. BHASVIC will make sure we inform the parent/ carer of any price increase in a timely manner & will ensure any additional cost is kept to a minimum.
2. If the student wishes to withdraw from the trip, please email the Trip Leader & trips@bhasvic.ac.uk
3. If you choose to withdraw the student from the trip at any point, any monies paid will only be refunded if:
4. If we can fill the space from the waiting list. Please note not all trips will have a waiting list, in this instance we will advertise the trip to the relevant cohort one additional time to find a replacement. If we cannot fill the space, you will not receive a refund.
5. Any student from the waiting list being able to pay all monies outstanding in one payment
6. Final instalments need to be paid within 30 days of the stated due date. If payment is not made within this period, then BHASVIC reserves the right to withdraw the student from the trip & retain all monies paid for the trip thus far.

7. If a student withdraws from a trip and student names have already been submitted to a travel company or airline, then any cost incurred to replace that student/ or change details will be charged to the withdrawing parent/ carer
8. The student's parent/ carer will be asked to input their passport details (if applicable) via the Residential Trip Form. It is the parent/carers responsibility to make sure this information is correct & to arrange a new passport if necessary. BHASVIC is not responsible for any mistakes made whilst inputting passport details or for failure to renew a passport by time of the trip departure. Any cost incurred to correct mistakes will be charged to the parent/ carer.
9. In the incident of the refusal by immigration in the country of destination or refusal to board in the UK, cost to return the student home with an accompanying teacher will be charged to the parent/ carer. In instances where a passport renewal is not received in time for trip departure, BHASVIC will not refund any paid monies.
10. We will check if any student has any AI / ALS / Safeguarding / Medical Needs / Health and Safety Issues and PEEPS that the trip leader/s should be aware of just for the duration of the trip. This information will be collected via an online form & all is stored in line with data protection laws and will be deleted after the trip is completed.