

Ruohui Giba'te (Academies)

Ruohu Giba'te *teaching buildings* are the Academies used by the [Poku Saeruo Degonjo](#) for the education of Baqlii (*Children*) of the [Poku'vonai](#) before they undertake the [Baqnor \(move from youth\)](#) ritual at age 16.

Curriculum

Formal Clan education involves a regimen of meditation, physical fitness, classroom sessions, social and team activities as well as unarmed and armed combat training. Students spend about nine hours a day learning with each other. Regardless of location, the time honored curriculum is the same at every Academy. From the start of the study day until the end, all baqlii are treated equally. [Ruoka \(House\)](#) and [Punla \(Family\)](#) are left at the door.

Activities

Academies include a great deal of what some societies call 'field trips', where troupes of baqlii led by teachers venture out to see and experience different [Kâbo'kai \(Occupations\)](#). The schools arrange group hunts as well; even the [Wunyaka Vonai \(Ark\)](#) ships and the [Sotâka Ruomâqi \(World Station\)](#) supported small, living ecosystems where classrooms could learn to survive and hunt in natural planetary conditions. Annual competitions take place between Academies which help foster a healthy competitive mindset.

Management

All academies are operated by the [Kyn Lumu'ai Jael \(Lore Keepers Sect\)](#). Some [Ruoka'ka](#) have their own academies, out of a sense of pride. The operation remains the same as far as education, but typically a [Ruoka'ka](#) Academy has the best equipment the [Ruoka'ka](#) can afford. Though House and Clan are left at the door, the House operating the Academy may still find a higher sense of esteem in the Clan if their Academy is considered effective and exceptional.

Student Population

All academies are co-ed, with members of both sexes receiving the same training. An Academy typically handles between 300-700 students at a time in a single institution.

Social Development

The Academy strengthens the teaching of cultural rules and mores a baqli has already been receiving at home. Here, they experience the Clan social structure, and each day they learn more of important information they will be expected to know for the rest of their lives. Here, they learn [The Code](#). They are taught of the various [Devotopai \(Rituals\)](#), and they learn of the various [Jaeli \(Sects\)](#) and their roles. Guest are honored to be asked to speak to baqlii, and to share their wisdom and their experiences with their Clan's youngest members. Young clan members learn to rise or fall on their own merit, but if they develop strong social bonds, friends may reach out to help them succeed.

Religious Indoctrination

Portions of classroom time are spent on religious studies. These classes are taught by teachers of the [Detis Goa'a \(Faith Walker\)](#), who educate the children in the [Siamã Kâur \(Divine way\)](#).

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