



2023 FIRST QUARTER EARNINGS CALL May 11, 2023

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#### **OVERVIEW**

ATA Creativity Global (ACG) is an international educational services company focused on providing quality learning experiences that cultivate and enhance students' creativity. ACG offers a wide range of education services consisting primarily of portfolio training, research-based learning, overseas study counselling and other educational services through its training center network.



Over 20 years of experience in testing technologies and delivery services, unrivaled knowledge of China's assessment/education market



Possesses industry relationships with educational institutions and enterprises all over China



Established reputation in learning technologies, committed to providing students with quality educational opportunities

<b>ACG At-A-Glance</b>
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Ticker	NASDAQ: AACG
IPO	January 2008 (Underwriters: Merrill Lynch, Piper Jaffray)
Auditor	KPMG (since IPO)
Fiscal Year End	December 31
Recent Stock Price	\$1.81 (as of 5/9/2023)
Market Cap	\$56.8 million (as of 5/9/2023)
ADSs Outstanding	31.4 million
Book Value Per ADS	\$0.59

All information as of 3/31/2023 unless otherwise noted.



# FIRST QUARTER 2023 HIGHLIGHTS

Ruobai Sima, Chief Financial Officer



#### **ENROLLMENT UPDATE**

- Portfolio training programs are ACG's main line of business, consisting of time-based programs and project-based programs.
- Revenue is recognized proportionately per credit hour delivered.

	First Quarter Ended March 31, 2023	First Quarter Ended March 31, 2022	% Change
	No. of Credit Hours	No. of Credit Hours	
Time-based Program	9,768	13,070	(25.3%)
Project-based Program	17,862	14,424	23.8%
Total	27,630	27,494	0.5%

Total student enrollment was 1,097, out of which 648 were enrolled in portfolio training programs, during the first quarter of 2023.



### **KEY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**



### RMB42.3 Million

Total net revenues, compared to RMB42.1 million in Q1 2022

44.3%

Gross margin, compared to 45.7% in Q1 2022

## RMB17.8 Million

Net loss attributable to ACG, compared to RMB15.9 million in Q1 2022



## SUMMARY FINANCIAL RESULTS - Q1

	Q1 2022	Q1 2023	Q1 2022	Q1 2023	
In 000s except margin and per ADS data	RI	RMB		USD	
Net Revenues	42,139	42,318	\$6,647	\$6,162	
Cost of Revenues	22,868	23,559	\$3,607	\$3,430	
Gross Profit	19,271	18,759	\$3,040	\$2,732	
Gross Margin	45.7%	44.3%	45.7%	44.3%	
Operating Expenses	38,049	40,105	\$6,002	\$5,840	
Loss from Operations	(18,772)	(21,346)	(\$2,961)	(\$3,108)	
Net Loss Attributable to ACG	(15,854)	(17,752)	(\$2,501)	(\$2,585)	
Diluted Losses per ADS Attributable to ACG	(0.50)	(0.56)	(\$0.08)	(\$0.08)	



### **BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS**



#### A solid balance sheet will allow ACG to execute its growth strategy.

	12/31/2022	3/31/2023	12/31/2022	3/31/2023
In 000s	RM	RMB		SD
Cash and Cash Equivalents	54 <mark>,9</mark> 80	65,637	\$7,971	\$9,557
Total Current Assets	65 <mark>,</mark> 263	73,091	\$9,462	\$10,643
Total Assets	474,465	475,230	\$68,791	\$69,199
Total Current Liabilities	292,543	316,819	\$42,415	\$46,132
Total Liabilities	330,951	348,945	\$47,983	\$50,810
Shareholders' Equity	143,514	126,285	\$20,808	\$18,389
Total Liabilities & Shareholders' Equity	474,465	475,230	\$68,791	\$69,199

USD\$9.6 million in cash and cash equivalents as of 3/31/2023

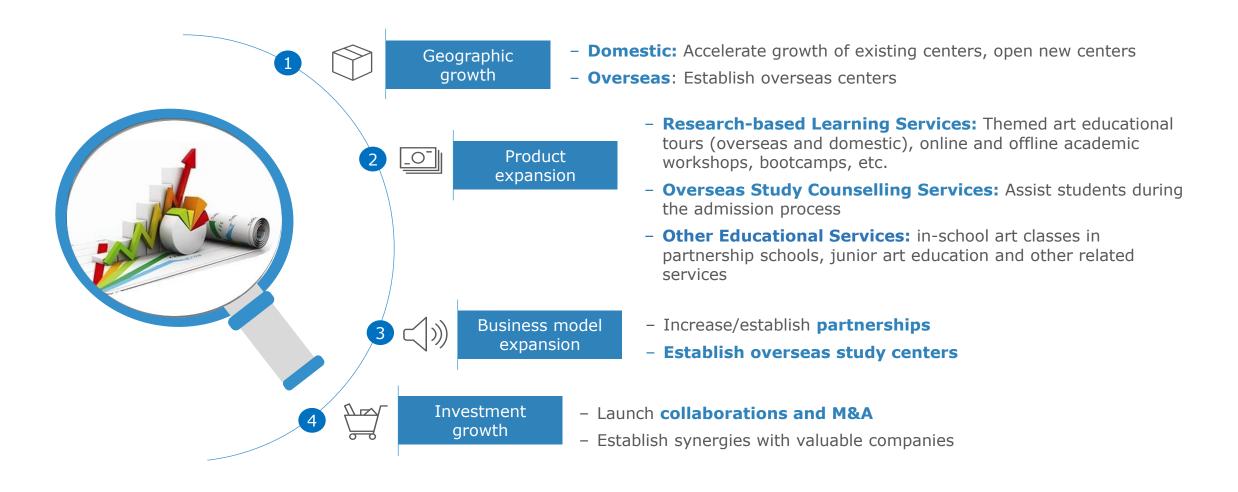


# 2023 OUTLOOK & GROWTH STRATEGY

Ruobai Sima, Chief Financial Officer Jun Zhang, President



#### **GLOBAL GROWTH INITIATIVES**





#### **GROWTH STRATEGY**

ACG plans to leverage its expertise in assessment/education technologies and services, as well as extensive industry relationships, to scale the growth of well-established education enterprises to expand its presence in China and beyond



#### Increase outreach to support a growing population of students:

- Those seeking overseas study experiences to whom we can offer portfolio training and overseas study counselling services (particularly those applying for art majors)
- Those looking to enhance their capabilities outside academics, using art as a tool
- Those seeking out-of-classroom learning experiences to whom we can offer research-based learning programs



Continue exploring M&A opportunities within the education sector



















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