Summer School

The Summer School at Washington University offers courses for both the College of Arts & Sciences and University College in order to meet the goals and interests of a variety of student populations, from the pre-college learner to the nontraditional adult. Administered primarily by University College, the Summer School runs day and evening courses, workshops, and institutes for current and visiting students. Summer School courses are scheduled over five separate sessions, many in flexible, hybrid, or online formats.

Fudan at Washington University Summer Program

Washington University welcomes students from Fudan University to participate in the Fudan at Washington University Summer Program. Students enroll in two courses with Washington University undergraduates, live in a residence hall with other students from around the world, and attend various programmed activities designed to introduce them to St. Louis and American culture. For more information, visit our website (http://pages.wustl.edu/fudansummer) or call 314-935-4695.

Institute in Biology for Science Teachers

Science teachers earn 6 units of graduate credit in this hands-on, three-week summer institute. Participants interested in continuing on to earn an MS in Biology for Science Teachers can take online courses during the academic year. For more information, visit our website (http://summerschool.wustl.edu/programs/master-science-biology-science-teachers) or call 314-935-8974.

International Summer Study

Visiting international students enroll in two courses, attend social and cultural events, and meet with representatives from schools and departments. Students can attend institutes in Global Leadership, Innovation, and American Politics & Culture, or enroll in Arts & Sciences courses. For more information, visit our website (http://summerschool.wustl.edu/international) or call 314-935-4695.

Summer Writers Institute

The Summer Writers Institute brings together some of the brightest and most accomplished writers from St. Louis and beyond. The two-week program features workshops in various genres from personal narrative to modern humor writing, readings, craft talks, individual conferences with instructors, and a final open mic. Kept to small enrollments to encourage dynamic discussions, the Institute allows students to hone their craft and explore new approaches. Workshops are led by professional, published writers who are experts in their fields and accomplished in providing constructive critique. Courses are conducted on Washington University’s campus — home to a century of great writing, from reluctant student Tennessee Williams to current National Book Award Finalist Carl Phillips. For more information, visit our website (http://summerschool.wustl.edu/swi) or call 314-935-4695.

WUSTL-ALLEX Intensive Chinese and Japanese Language Institutes

Students jump-start Chinese and Japanese language proficiency in this seven-week, 4-unit program. Small classes are taught by master professors representing many of the country's preeminent Asian language programs, as well as native speakers from China, Taiwan, and Japan. With two teachers for every language student, the program features frequent and meaningful cultural exchanges in the target language and teaches students to speak and act in a culturally appropriate way. For more information, visit our website (https://summerschool.wustl.edu/chinese-and-japanese) or call 314-935-4695.

WUSTL-ALLEX Chinese and Japanese Teacher Training Institute

Post-baccalaureate students from China, Japan, and Taiwan study Chinese and Japanese pedagogy in this seven-week, 4.5-unit program. After learning from master professors, students go on to colleges and universities across the country to begin or enhance Chinese and Japanese language programs. For more information, visit our website (http://summerschool.wustl.edu) or call 314-935-4695.

Additional Information

For more information on the summer programs above:

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