Summer Experiences

Pre-Collegiate Summer Experiences

The Pre-Collegiate Summer Experiences at Washington University in St. Louis offer a variety of summer programs for academically advanced middle and high school students. For more information, visit our Summer Experiences website (https://summerexperiences.wustl.edu) or call 314-935-4807.

High School Summer Scholars Program

The High School Summer Scholars Program, open to rising juniors and seniors, allows students to experience all the facets of college life. As a participant in this selective five-week program, students live on campus, enroll in courses, and study alongside undergraduates. Students choose from a broad range of courses as well as our 1-unit, noncredit college success workshops. Students meet daily in academic support groups that develop students' skills in time management, presentations, and research methods. In addition to course work, students enjoy a variety of educational, social, and cultural opportunities with fellow students from across the country and around the world. Scholarship assistance is available to students who demonstrate financial need.

High School Summer Institutes

The noncredit High School Summer Institutes explore a specialized interest, career or major. Institutes combine traditional class and lab curriculum with organized field trips, guest lectures, and hands-on activities. Themes include medicine, engineering, leadership, writing and more. Space is limited, so students should consider applying early. Scholarship assistance is available to students who demonstrate financial need.

Early College Scholars

The Early College Scholars program allows academically advanced high school students to enroll in courses through University College, the professional and continuing education division of the College of Arts & Sciences. This program is an ideal option for students who:

- Have unique academic interests not available through their high school.
- Are looking for courses beyond their high school curriculum.
- Need to enroll in a college course to fulfill a high school requirement.
- Are exploring alternative options to AP courses.
- Want to advance their knowledge in a particular academic area such as writing or foreign language.

Middle School Summer Challenge

The Middle School Summer Challenge is designed to expand students' critical thinking skills in a challenging and innovative environment that includes hands-on learning, field trips, and much more. Students choose two noncredit courses. This program is open to rising seventh- through ninth-grade students. Scholarship assistance is available to students who demonstrate financial need.

For more information on our pre-college programs:

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