Summer Programs and Opportunities

Boston University Academy has compiled the following list as a tool for learning about summer programs available to high school students. It is by no means exhaustive and we do not endorse any one program. We offer this list as a starting point to help you in your own research: BUA has not screened or vetted these programs, so use your own judgment in deciding whether any given program is the right fit for you. This list is updated annually, so be sure to check back for new opportunities.

**Academic Summer Programs: University-sponsored**

Boston University Summer Challenge Program (general) [www.bu.edu/summer/high-school-programs/summer-challenge](http://www.bu.edu/summer/high-school-programs/summer-challenge)
Brown University Pre-College (general) [https://precollege.brown.edu/](https://precollege.brown.edu/)
Carleton College Liberal Arts Experience [www.carleton.edu/summer/clae](http://www.carleton.edu/summer/clae)
Carnegie Mellon Pre-College [https://apps.carleton.edu/summer/clae/](https://apps.carleton.edu/summer/clae/)
Columbia University Summer High School Program [www.ce.columbia.edu/hs](http://www.ce.columbia.edu/hs)
Cornell University Summer Programs [www.sce.cornell.edu/sc/](http://www.sce.cornell.edu/sc/)
Colorado College Pre-College [https://www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/summersession/pre-college/](https://www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/summersession/pre-college/)
Duke University Summer Youth Programs [http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/youth/](http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/youth/)
Georgetown University Summer [http://scs.georgetown.edu/departments/21/summer-programs-for-high-school-students](http://scs.georgetown.edu/departments/21/summer-programs-for-high-school-students)
Johns Hopkins University Summer Programs [www.jhu.edu/summer](http://www.jhu.edu/summer)
MIT General Summer Programs for HS Students [http://esp.mit.edu/learn/index.html](http://esp.mit.edu/learn/index.html)
New York University Pre-College Programs [www.nyu.edu/summer/](http://www.nyu.edu/summer/)
Northwestern University Summer Programs [https://www.northwestern.edu/academics/pre-collegiate-programs.html](https://www.northwestern.edu/academics/pre-collegiate-programs.html)
Skidmore Pre-College Program [https://www.skidmore.edu/precollege/](http://www.skidmore.edu/precollege/)
Stanford University Summer College [https://summerinstitutes.spcs.stanford.edu/](https://summerinstitutes.spcs.stanford.edu/)
Syracuse University Summer College [www.summercollege.syr.edu](http://www.summercollege.syr.edu)
Tufts University Summer Program for HS Students [https://summer.tufts.edu/high-school](http://summer.tufts.edu/high-school)
University of California Los Angeles [www.summer.ucla.edu](http://www.summer.ucla.edu)
University of California San Diego Academic Connection Program [http://academicconnections.ucsd.edu/](http://academicconnections.ucsd.edu/)
University of California Santa Barbara Summer Sessions [http://www.summer.ucsb.edu/](http://www.summer.ucsb.edu/)
University of Chicago Summer Programs [https://summer.uchicago.edu](http://summer.uchicago.edu)
Oregon State University Summer Pre-College [https://precollege.oregonstate.edu/](https://precollege.oregonstate.edu/)
University of Pennsylvania Summer Programs [http://www.sas.upenn.edu/summer/students/highschool](http://www.sas.upenn.edu/summer/students/highschool)
University of Washington Courses for High School Students [https://www.summer-camp.uw.edu/](https://www.summer-camp.uw.edu/)
University of Southern California Summer Programs [https://summerprograms.usc.edu/](https://summerprograms.usc.edu/)
Vanderbilt Summer Academy [http://pty.vanderbilt.edu/usa/](http://pty.vanderbilt.edu/usa/)
Washington University in St. Louis Summer School [http://summerscholars.wustl.edu](http://summerscholars.wustl.edu)
Yale University Summer Exploration [www.yale.edu/summer](http://www.yale.edu/summer)

**Academic Summer Programs: Independently-sponsored**

Academic Study Associates/ Summerfuel [www.asaprograms.com](http://www.asaprograms.com)
Summer Institute for the Gifted [www.giftedstudy.com](http://www.giftedstudy.com)
Education Unlimited [www.educationunlimited.com](http://www.educationunlimited.com)
Julian Krinsky Enrichment Program [https://jkcp.com/](https://jkcp.com/)
Summer Discovery [www.summerdiscovery.com](http://www.summerdiscovery.com)
Telluride Association [www.tellurideassociation.org](http://www.tellurideassociation.org)

**Math/Science/Engineering/Computer Science**

Boston University PROMYS (Math & Science) [www.promys.org](http://www.promys.org)
Boston University U-Design Program – College of Engineering [www.bu.edu/eng/u-design/](http://www.bu.edu/eng/u-design/)
Duke University Summer Youth Programs [www.learnmore.duke.edu/youth/](http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/youth/)
Johns Hopkins University Summer Engineering Program [http://engineering-innovation.jhu.edu/](http://engineering-innovation.jhu.edu/)
MIT Math Summer Programs [https://mitadmissions.org/apply/prepare/summer/](https://mitadmissions.org/apply/prepare/summer/)
MIT Minority MITES Summer Program [https://oeop.mit.edu/programs/mites](https://oeop.mit.edu/programs/mites)
Notre Dame Summer Introduction to Engineering [www.nd.edu/~iep/](http://www.nd.edu/~iep/)
Smith College Summer Science and Engineering Program [https://www.smith.edu/academics/precollege-programs/ssep](https://www.smith.edu/academics/precollege-programs/ssep)
University of Michigan Math and Science Scholars [www.math.lsa.umich.edu/mmss/](http://www.math.lsa.umich.edu/mmss/)
US Naval Academy Summer STEM Camp [http://www.usna.edu/Admissions/stem.html](http://www.usna.edu/Admissions/stem.html)
Worcester Polytechnic Institute Summer Science and Engineering Programs [http://www.wpi.edu/academics/Summer/highsc074.html](http://www.wpi.edu/academics/Summer/highsc074.html)

**Leadership**

Claremont McKenna Kravis Leadership Institute [www.claremontmckenna.edu/kli](http://www.claremontmckenna.edu/kli)
West Point Summer Leaders Experience [http://admissions.usma.edu/moreinfo/summer.cfm](http://admissions.usma.edu/moreinfo/summer.cfm)
Summer Institute for the Gifted [www.giftedstudy.com](http://www.giftedstudy.com)
Congressional Hispanic Caucus R2L@Nextgen Program [https://chci.org/programs/r2l-nextgen/](https://chci.org/programs/r2l-nextgen/)
Junior Statesman Summer Programs [http://jsa.org/summer-programs/](http://jsa.org/summer-programs/)
National Youth Leadership Forum [www.nylf.org](http://www.nylf.org)

**Media/ Film/ Journalism**

Boston University Institute for TV, Film, Radio Production [www.academyofmediaproduction.com](http://www.academyofmediaproduction.com)
Indiana University Summer Journalism Institute [http://journalism.indiana.edu/programs/hsji/](http://journalism.indiana.edu/programs/hsji/)
University of Southern California Summer Film Program [http://cinema.usc.edu/programs/summer/](http://cinema.usc.edu/programs/summer/)
Yale University Summer Film Institute [http://www.yale.edu/summer/programs/film/index.html](http://www.yale.edu/summer/programs/film/index.html)

**Visual and/or Performing Arts**

Art Institute of Chicago Summer Institute Residency Program [http://www.saic.edu/continuing-studies/high-school/summer/](http://www.saic.edu/continuing-studies/high-school/summer/)
Boston Conservatory Summer Dance and Vocal Intensive [http://www.bostonconservatory.edu/high-school-and-collegiate-intensive-programs](http://www.bostonconservatory.edu/high-school-and-collegiate-intensive-programs)
Boston University Tanglewood Music [https://www.bu.edu/cfa/tanglewood/](https://www.bu.edu/cfa/tanglewood/)
Boston University Visual Arts Summer Institute [www.bu.edu/mysummer/arts/visual-arts-summer-institute/](http://www.bu.edu/mysummer/arts/visual-arts-summer-institute/)
Brandeis University Summer Art Institute (BIMA) [www.brandeis.edu/bima](http://www.brandeis.edu/bima)
California College of the Arts Pre-College Program [https://www.cca.edu/academics/pre-college/](https://www.cca.edu/academics/pre-college/)
Cornish College of the Arts [www.cornish.edu/summer/](http://www.cornish.edu/summer/)
Duke University Summer Youth Programs [http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/youth/](http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/youth/)
Gage Academy of Art [www.gageacademy.org/youth/](http://www.gageacademy.org/youth/)
Interlochen Arts Academy Summer Programs [http://camp.interlochen.org/](http://camp.interlochen.org/)
Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) Pre-College Studio Residency Program [https://www.mica.edu/non-degree-learning-opportunities/programs-for-teens/summer-pre-college-program/](https://www.mica.edu/non-degree-learning-opportunities/programs-for-teens/summer-pre-college-program/)
New York University Tisch School of the Arts [www.nyu.edu/tisch/specialprograms](http://www.nyu.edu/tisch/specialprograms)
Northwestern University National High School Music Institute [http://www.northwestern.edu/nhsi/](http://www.northwestern.edu/nhsi/)
Parsons Pre-College Academy [http://www.newschool.edu/parsons/pre-college-academy/](http://www.newschool.edu/parsons/pre-college-academy/)
Pilchuk Glass School [www.pilchuck.com](http://www.pilchuck.com)
Pratt Institute Pre-College [https://www.pratt.edu/academics/continuing-education-and-professional/precollege/summer-programs/application-information/](https://www.pratt.edu/academics/continuing-education-and-professional/precollege/summer-programs/application-information/)
Rhode Island School of Design [www.risd.edu/precollege](http://www.risd.edu/precollege)
San Francisco Academy of Art [https://www.academyart.edu/academics/pre-college-art-experience/](http://www.academyart.edu/academics/pre-college-art-experience/)
Savannah College of Art & Design Rising Star Program [https://www.scad.edu/academics/pre-college-summer-programs/scad-rising-star](https://www.scad.edu/academics/pre-college-summer-programs/scad-rising-star)
Seattle Children’s Theatre High School Intern program [www.sct.org/classes/sctdramaschool](http://www.sct.org/classes/sctdramaschool)
Vassar College Powerhouse Theatre Program [http://powerhouse.vassar.edu/](http://powerhouse.vassar.edu/)

**Outdoors**
ActionQuest [www.actionquest.com](http://www.actionquest.com)
Deer Hill Expeditions [www.deerhillexpeditions.com](http://www.deerhillexpeditions.com)
Outward Bound [www.outwardbound.org/](http://www.outwardbound.org/)
Overland [www.overlandsummers.com](http://www.overlandsummers.com)
Rite of Passage Journeys [http://riteofpassagejourneys.org/](http://riteofpassagejourneys.org/)
Sail Caribbean [www.sailcaribbean.com](http://www.sailcaribbean.com)
Sea-mester Summer programs [www.seamester.com](http://www.seamester.com)
Wilderness Ventures [www.wildernessventures.com](http://www.wildernessventures.com)

**Language**

Concordia Language Villages [http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/newsite/](http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/newsite/)
Middlebury College Language Schools [www.middlebury.edu/ls](http://www.middlebury.edu/ls)

**Business/Financial**

Bentley University Wall Street 101 Camp [https://www.bentley.edu/centers/trading-room/wall-street-101](http://www.bentley.edu/centers/trading-room/wall-street-101)

**Community Service & Volunteerism Opportunities**

America’s Literacy Directory [https://www.nationalliteracydirectory.org/](https://www.nationalliteracydirectory.org/)
Bureau of Land Management Volunteers [www.blm.gov/volunteer](http://www.blm.gov/volunteer)
Corporation for National and Community Service [www.volunteermatch.org](http://www.volunteermatch.org)
Department of Veterans Affairs [www.va.gov/volunteer](http://www.va.gov/volunteer)
Earth Corps [www.earthcorps.org](http://www.earthcorps.org)
Feeding America [https://www.feedingamerica.org/take-action](http://www.feedingamerica.org/take-action)
Fenway Health [www.fenwayhealth.org](http://www.fenwayhealth.org)
Habitat for Humanity [www.habitat.org](http://www.habitat.org)
Lifeworks [www.lifeworks-international.com](http://www.lifeworks-international.com)
National 4-H Council [www.4-h.org/](http://www.4-h.org/)
National Park Service [www.nps.gov/volunteer](http://www.nps.gov/volunteer)
Salvation Army [www.salvationarmyusa.org](http://www.salvationarmyusa.org)
Special Olympics [www.specialolympics.org](http://www.specialolympics.org)
Student Conservation Association [http://www.thesca.org/serve](http://www.thesca.org/serve)
Youth Volunteer Corps [https://www.yvc.org/](http://www.yvc.org/)

**Creative Writing**
Duke University Summer Youth Programs [http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/youth/](http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/youth/)
Kenyon College Young Writers Workshops [http://www.kenyonreview.org/workshops/young-writers/](http://www.kenyonreview.org/workshops/young-writers/)
Lewis & Clark College Fir Acres Writing Workshop [https://college.lclark.edu/programs/fir_acres/](https://college.lclark.edu/programs/fir_acres/)
Sarah Lawrence College Summer Writing Village [https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/summer/pre-college/writers-village.html](https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/summer/pre-college/writers-village.html)
Sarah Lawrence College Summer Writing Week [https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/summer/pre-college/writers-week.html](https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/summer/pre-college/writers-week.html)
Tufts University Summer Writing Program [http://ase.tufts.edu/tuftsSummerStudy/writing.asp](http://ase.tufts.edu/tuftsSummerStudy/writing.asp)
University of Iowa Young Writers Workshop [https://iyws.clas.uiowa.edu/](https://iyws.clas.uiowa.edu/)
Washington University in St. Louis Summer Writers Institute [http://swi.ucollege.wustl.edu/](http://swi.ucollege.wustl.edu/)
Grub Street [https://www.grubstreet.org/](https://www.grubstreet.org/)

**Specific Academic Area**

- Brandeis University Genesis Program (Jewish studies) [www.brandeis.edu/genesis](http://www.brandeis.edu/genesis)
- Tufts University Summer Adventures in Veterinary Medicine [www.tufts.edu/vet/avm](http://www.tufts.edu/vet/avm)
- The College of William & Mary Summer Program in Early American History [www.wm.edu/niahd](http://www.wm.edu/niahd)
- University of Oregon Summer Architecture Academy [https://archenvironment.uoregon.edu/summer-architecture-academy](https://archenvironment.uoregon.edu/summer-architecture-academy)
- University of Southern California Exploration of Architecture [https://summerprograms.usc.edu/programs/4-week/exploration-of-architecture/](https://summerprograms.usc.edu/programs/4-week/exploration-of-architecture/)

**International**

- Academic Study Associates [www.asaprograms.com](http://www.asaprograms.com)
- American Collegiate Adventures [www.acasummer.com](http://www.acasummer.com)
- American Field Service International [www.afs.org](http://www.afs.org)
- American Institute for Foreign Study [www.summeradvantage.com](http://www.summeradvantage.com)
- Amigos de la Americas [www.amigoslink.org](http://www.amigoslink.org)
- Broadreach [www.gobroadreach.com](http://www.gobroadreach.com)
- Columbia University Summer International High School Program [www.ce.columbia.edu/his](http://www.ce.columbia.edu/his)
- Deer Hill Expeditions [www.deerhillexpeditions.com](http://www.deerhillexpeditions.com)
- Educational Tours [www.eftours.com](http://www.eftours.com)
- Global Works [www.globalworksinc.com](http://www.globalworksinc.com)
- InternXchange [https://scholarship.ousf.duke.edu/internxchange-summer-internship-program-north-american-students](https://scholarship.ousf.duke.edu/internxchange-summer-internship-program-north-american-students)
- Lifeworks [www.lifeworks-international.com](http://www.lifeworks-international.com)
- National Hispanic Institute [https://www.nationalhispanicinstitute.org/](https://www.nationalhispanicinstitute.org/)
- New York University-Sponsored Overseas Opportunities [www.nyu.edu/summer/abroad](http://www.nyu.edu/summer/abroad)
- Oxbridge Academic Programs [www.oxbridgeprograms.com](http://www.oxbridgeprograms.com)
- Oxford Advanced Studies Program [http://www.oasp.ac.uk/summerprogram/](http://www.oasp.ac.uk/summerprogram/)
Rustic Pathways [www.rusticpathways.com](http://www.rusticpathways.com)
Spoleto Study Abroad - Italy [www.spoletostudyabroad.com](http://www.spoletostudyabroad.com)
Studio Art Centers International [www.saci-florence.org](http://www.saci-florence.org)
Summer in Switzerland [www.las.ch/summer](http://www.las.ch/summer)
University of St Andrews Summer Programs [https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects/non-degree-courses/summer-courses/](https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects/non-degree-courses/summer-courses/)
Where there be Dragons [www.wheretherebedragons.com](http://www.wheretherebedragons.com)
Windsor Mountain International [www.windsormountain.org](http://www.windsormountain.org)
World Learning [www.worldlearning.org](http://www.worldlearning.org)
Young Judea [https://www.youngjudaea.org/](https://www.youngjudaea.org/)
Youth For Understanding [https://www.yfu.org/](https://www.yfu.org/)