# Summer Pre College Programs

### What are they?

Many colleges have summer programs in which high school students can go, live on campus, and take classes at the college.

They are of varying lengths, from an intensive week session to longer than a month.

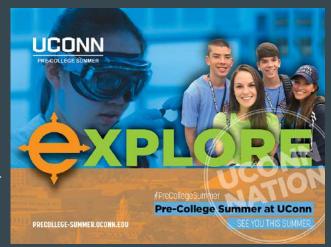




## What are the benefits?

- You get to try out college life
- You can try something out that your HS doesn't offer
- You can see what your dream college is actually like
- You can study something you know you might not have time for in actual college
- The college gets to know YOU
- You can build a portfolio to apply to any college
- You prove that you can do college level work
- You may earn college credit





## What types of programs are there?

- Art
- Filmmaking
- Science
- Drama
- English
- Actually, pretty much everything







## There are 2 main structures

- 1. Take classes specifically made for high school students
- Take regular college classes alongside actual college students

#### **College Preparation Program**

Experience college life this summer in Northwestern's College Prep Program. Rising high school juniors & seniors can take courses for college credit or choose from 2-week In FOCUS seminars in a range of topics.

#### EXAMPLE

Northwestern





#### Other summer programs for high school students

#### National High School Institute (Cherubs)

NHSI has five divisions: Debate, Speech, Journalism, Film & Video Production, and Theater Arts. Students gain practical college-level experience in their chosen field; interact closely with outstanding faculty; tackle new social and intellectual challenges; and experience campus life with other exceptional high school students.

#### Medill-Northwestern Journalism Institute

This in-depth, five-week program is designed for students who have just finished their junior year of high school and wish to become better writers and editors for print, online and broadcast. Enrollment is limited to 84 and students typically come from as many as 25 states and abroad. Teachers are top-notch practitioners and distinguished Northwestern faculty.

## How to find programs

Two main ways:

- 1) Google "(college name) pre college"
- Visit the college website and they are often under "continuing education" or "professional studies"

## Other info

- Evaluate the tuition costs, they can vary WILDLY from school to school. Make a note if you get college credit or not, as that can save you money later.
- 2) Make a note of the application deadline
- If you need recommendations, make sure you ask teachers way ahead of the due date

