

Summer Programmes

Summer programmes can be an excellent way to:

- Help you to decide which subject area really interests you
- Gain experience of undergraduate-style study (for academic programmes)
- Gain experience of a subject area in advance of your university applications – experience that you can reflect in your personal statement (UK), college essays (USA) or statements of intent (Canada, HK and others).
- Develop wider personal skills (e.g. interaction, teamwork, organisation and management)

Please note that in the UK, attending a summer course will not in itself increase a student's degree admission chances (though some companies like to give the impression that it will!). In the USA, however, attending a summer course run by a university can be seen as a positive demonstration of interest in that university.

It is worth considering a summer programme in the summer of Yr11/12/2nde/1ère. There are many on offer, both in HK and overseas. Some academic programmes are run by university staff, whereas travel, charity and adventure programmes are usually run by independent companies. Often, academic programmes combine both undergraduate-style study and social activities.

The most useful academic programmes are likely to be those offered directly by universities (as opposed to independent companies). Look carefully at who is actually running the programme, and the staff who will actually do the teaching! Some companies play on the name of prestigious universities, giving the impression that they are connected. Overseas programmes tend to be very expensive, so do your research to make sure it's worthwhile.

This list will be updated as and when the Guidance Department receives details of new programmes.

Programmes in HK

HKU	Summer Institute	Many courses and opportunities for high school students. Details: http://www.aal.hku.hk/summerinstitute/for-high-school-students/courses-hs/courses-hs/
HKUST	HKUST Summer Institute for Secondary School Students	Enjoy a summer of University life on a dynamic innovative world-class campus. Broaden your horizons with leading academics and experts in the fields of: Science, Engineering, Business Management, Humanities and Social Science. http://summer.ust.hk/
HKUST	HKUST Business Summer Camp 2017	13-16 July 2017 For Yr10/11/3ème/2nde students. Gain business knowledge and experience residential life at HKUST. 4-day live-in program with academic seminars taught by HKUST professors, enrichment workshops and social activities led by current students. http://undergrad.bm.ust.hk/eng/summercamp
CUHK (Chinese University of HK)	CUHK Summer Institute 2017	For Yr12/1ère students. 14-27 July 2017 http://www.summer.cuhk.edu.hk/si/ Students will make a head start on their journey to undergraduate studies at CUHK by taking two academic modules in arts, business administration, engineering, law, medicine sciences or social science. This year, we will offer a series of insightful and interactive workshops to prepare students for university entry. They will also get a taste of university residential life by attending a series of orientation, after-class extra-curricular and graduation activities.

University of Chicago, USA	Arts and Science - July 17-28 on HKIS Campus	The two-week intensive program provides participants with the opportunity to hone skills in critical thinking, close reading, persuasive writing, and open discussion, tackling big problems and fundamental questions in the University of Chicago's distinctive interdisciplinary style. Directed by an UChicago professor and advanced graduate student. Deadline is May 1, but it is rolling admissions and spaces can fill before this date. Further information can be found at the below link. https://summer.uchicago.edu/high-school . Then click "UChicago Arts and Sciences Summer in Asia."
Silicon Valley Entrepreneurship Workshop		10-15 April. Held at Canadian International School HK. Ages 11-15. http://campbizsmart.org/our-camps/upcoming-programs/international-workshops/hong-kong-silicon-valley-entrepreneurship-workshopapril-10-15-2017/
SCAD (Savannah College Of Art and Design)	Summer Programmes	This summer, explore new avenues of artistic development and spark your imagination at the university for creative careers. SCAD offers summer programs for participants of all ages to pursue art and design disciplines while working alongside peers from all over the world. With exceptional facilities, extensive equipment and inspirational settings, SCAD summer programs offer ideal opportunities for artists at all levels to create, learn and grow. http://www.scad.edu/academics/pre-college-summer-programs
Summer Bridge HK	Teaching program	Teach disadvantaged Mainland Chinese students alongside university students to here in HK. Earn over 300 community service hours. Share your passion for teaching and grow as a leader.
Princeton Review SAT Courses	SAT courses	Offers classes and personal tutoring for a variety of standardised tests
MedStart	2-day medical immersion programme in HK	2-day medical immersion programme in HK. Student-led organisation jointly run by medical students from CUHK and HKU. It is our hope to connect medical students to the local community. Email: medstart@amsahk.org ; larissa.tsui@amsahk.org
Crossroads International Summer Internship		Provide service to this local NGO that distributes second hand goods to some of the world's most disadvantaged citizens including those in Hong Kong. https://www.crossroads.org.hk/home/connect/volunteer-2/
Dragonfly HK	High adventure, Learning and Service in Hong Kong and Asia	https://www.learnwithdragonfly.com/
Focus On Film	Hands-on education in editing and making films	http://www.focusonfilmhk.com/at-a-glance/#.VrGH7dV9670
The Open Classroom	Young Leaders Of Tomorrow	"Young Leaders of Tomorrow" (YLOT) is a 2-week summer holiday program, designed and led by Ivy League graduates, to help students age 15-18 develop leadership skills, self-awareness and a service mindset for college and beyond. http://www.theopenclassroom.com.hk/

Programmes overseas – run by universities

Sciences Po, France	Summer school	<p>Sciences Po is France's premier social sciences institution, and teaches in English. The Pre-College Programme offers challenging coursework combining the study of social sciences and foreign language, designed to give students a taste of academics at Sciences Po. Participants will explore current issues in international relations, political science, and more.</p> <p>The Summer School is held in two separate sessions during the months of June and July. Students have the choice to attend one or both sessions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June session: 3-30 June 2017 • July session: 1- 28 July 2017 <p>Academic programme: The Summer School offers two academic tracks, in social sciences and French language. Both tracks are available in each session of the Summer School.</p> <p>http://www.sciencespo.fr/summer/content/university-programme-overview</p>
University of Bath, UK	<u>Residential University Tasters</u>	<p>Humanities and Social Sciences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 10 July - Wednesday 12 July 2017 <p>Science and Engineering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 17 July - Wednesday 19 July 2017 <p>The tasters are for Year 12 students who are defined by their school/college as academically gifted and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have achieved A and B grades at GCSE including Maths and English • are likely to achieve A and B grades at AS level (or equivalent) • are likely to progress to a top university. <p>Uni Taster support for nationally competing athletes</p> <p>We host over 300 internationally performing athletes at Bath. If a student competes nationally and has the potential to compete internationally, they can experience what it's like to be an elite athlete here.</p> <p>For more details on subjects, accommodation and costs please see here.</p>
St George's, University of London	Medical Summer School	<p>For international students who are interested in studying undergraduate medicine in the UK.</p> <p>http://www.intostudy.com/sgul/summerschool</p>
University of Exeter, UK	<u>The Pre-University Summer School in Medicine</u>	<p>This unique and highly relevant programme will be of interest to students entering their final 2 years of high school who wish to study Medicine or subjects allied to Medicine at university. The programme will give students the opportunity to experience what it is like to be a medical student in the UK, as well as learn more about the UCAS application process.</p> <p>www.exeter.ac.uk/international/medicinesummerschool/</p>
King's College London	Pre-University Summer School	<p>The King's College London Pre-University Summer School is a unique academic and social experience designed for high school students who are enrolled in their final two years of study (typically 16 and 17 years old). The programme provides the opportunity to <u>study a chosen subject at undergraduate level</u> and helps students prepare for their future at university and beyond.</p> <p>It is an intensive two week programme, combining academic classes, class excursions, university preparation advice and wider skills sessions. Students also enjoy a varied social programme which takes advantage of King's enviable central London location and give students time to relax with new friends from around the world.</p> <p>http://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/summer/summer-schools/pre-university/pre-university-index.aspx</p>
University of St Andrews, Scotland	International Summer Programmes	Academic courses

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative writing • Scottish studies • World literature • Physical science, mathematics and computer science • Biological and earth sciences <p>Performance sports training camps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field hockey • Soccer • Netball <p>http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/non-degree/summer/programmes/</p>
University of Warwick, UK	Warwick Summer School	<p>Variety of specialist courses in Economics, Computer Science, English and Public Policy. There is also a course for non-economists- the Principles of Economics.</p> <p>https://www2.warwick.ac.uk/about/london/study/warwick-summer-school/</p>
American University of Paris	Summer Program	<p>AUP is an English language university in France offering a fully US-accredited liberal arts curriculum.</p> <p>Over 45 classes to choose from, across 12 separate academic disciplines, this year marks the relaunch of the Summer program into three thematic sections: Paris – Language and Culture; Creative Arts; and Exploring Liberal Arts. Courses include Creative Writing, International Relations, Film, International Politics, Art History, Fashion, and Fine Arts, in addition to general education classes. In addition, we offer Intensive French Immersion courses for those wishing to either learn French or brush-up their existing language skills.</p> <p>https://www.aup.edu/admissions/summer</p>
Les Roches International School of Hotel Management, Switzerland	Swiss Summer Programme	<p>Every July, Les Roches attracts curious, talented, entrepreneurial young people from all corners of the globe who want to discover the world of hospitality from one of the world's top-ranking Swiss hospitality schools.</p> <p>http://www.lesroches.edu/programs/other-programs/summer-program</p>
Jacobs University (Bremen, Germany)	Summer Camp	<p>The following workshops will be offered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resources and their Sustainable Management • Renewable Energy • Sensor Networks • Nanotechnology • Physics in Popular Culture • Living Under a Dictatorship • Integration through Community Work <p>For more information: http://www.jacobs-university.de/study/summer-camps</p>
Boston University, USA	Summer Investigative Journalism Workshop	<p>The New England Center for Investigative Reporting, based at Boston University's College of Communication, is again offering a unique Investigative Journalism Workshop this summer.</p> <p>Our three two-week workshops will begin on June 26. During each session, students participate in seminars and work alongside veteran journalism teachers and award-winning local and national journalists on investigative stories that challenge students' critical thinking and research skills. Students will live on the BU campus and gain hands-on experience to benefit them in college and beyond.</p>
Cooper Union, New York	Summer Art Intensive Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Cooper Union Summer Art Intensive accepts resident and non-resident students, ages 15-18, who wish to prepare a portfolio to apply to top art schools. This year we are offering drawing, graphic design, animation and digital photography classes. To apply online, click here.
Cornell University Summer College	Summer College Programs for High School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • experience what it's like to live and learn at a great Ivy

	Students in Ithaca, New York	<p>League university,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • take regular university courses with Cornell's world-renowned faculty, • earn three to six college credits, recorded on an official Cornell transcript, • explore majors and career options, • learn how to prepare successful applications to U.S. colleges, and • make friends from around the world. <p>Wide variety of subjects, including architecture, art, design, and fashion; business, hospitality, and leadership; college success and English for speakers of other languages; debate and literature; engineering and robotics; government, history, and international relations; psychology, research, and science; social change and sustainability; and veterinary medicine and animal science. Students can also create their own six-week program.</p> <p>https://www.sce.cornell.edu/sc/</p>
New York University (NYU)	Teen Summer Programmes	<p>Various programmes - academic, creative, sports</p> <p>https://www.nyu.edu/admissions/high-school-programs.html</p>
Columbia University, USA	Summer Programs for High School Students	<p>Intensive programs for academically exceptional students</p> <p>http://sps.columbia.edu/highschool</p>
UC Berkeley, California, USA	Business Academy for Youth (B-BAY) 2-week summer programmes	<p>Year 10 to Year 13 or equivalent.</p> <p>Students will learn about teamwork, critical thinking, game theory, marketing, finance, etc. and have a chance to experience college life from challenging academics to dormitory living. They will also gain insights on the college preparation and admissions process.</p> <p>www.haas.berkeley.edu/businessacademy</p>
University of Michigan Stamps School of Art + Design, USA	Pre-College Programs	<p>Each summer, the Stamps School offers several pre-college programs for high-school students interested in art and design.</p> <p>Details : http://stamps.umich.edu/pre-college</p>
University of Rochester, USA	Pre-College Programs	<p>Numerous options include living on campus, participating in a three-week intensive engineering, English language, film, or medical program, and completing a college class for credit. These programs allow students to experience Rochester as our own students do. Students can explore college life up close and personal, have a roommate, and participate in a rich variety of co-curricular weeknight and weekend events.</p> <p>enrollment.rochester.edu/precollege</p>
Wharton, University of Pennsylvania, USA	Pre-College Programs	<p>Wharton's summer programs for high school students provide an opportunity to develop leadership skills and explore your interest in business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KWHs Global Young Leaders Academy • Leadership, Education, and Development (LEAD Program) • Leadership in the Business World (LBW) • Management & Technology Summer Institute (M&TSI) • Wharton Sports Business Academy • Wharton Moneyball Academy <p>https://www.wharton.upenn.edu/pre-college-programs</p>
Stony Brooke University, USA	Summer programmes	Program Overview

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet Stony Brook University faculty. • Attend lectures and seminars. Engage in hands-on research, experiments, and leadership projects. • Explore the vast resources of Stony Brook University, including the University Hospital and Brookhaven National Laboratory, which the University co-manages. • Learn about the U.S. college application and admission process, including policies of Stony Brook. • Learn how to select a college abroad and how to write a successful college admissions essay. • Take intensive English language classes on campus. <p><u>More info</u></p>
University of Toronto, Canada	Youth Summer Programs (YSP)	<p>Faculty of Law Faculty of Medicine Explore the world of Law and Medicine and experience life at UofT</p> <p>http://www.ysp.utoronto.ca/</p>
Western Ontario University, Canada	Ivey Summer Leadership Program	<p>Intensive nine day residential summer enrichment program for students in grades 10 and 11 from diverse backgrounds. It offers an ambitious curriculum of academics, collaborative projects and recreational activities.</p> <p>https://www.ivey.uwo.ca/summerleadership/</p>
University of Waterloo, Canada	IDEAS Summer Experience	<p>Poverty. Global warming. The digital divide. It takes big ideas to solve problems like these.</p> <p>Join high school students from around the world at IDEAS Summer Experience, and use <i>your</i> big ideas to try to solve some of society's most serious challenges.</p> <p>IDEAS is a 2-week summer enrichment program at the University of Waterloo, ranked as <u>Canada's most innovative university</u> for the past 25 years.</p> <p><u>IDEAS Summer Experience</u></p>
University of Melbourne	Young Leaders Program – Trinity College	<p>Young Leaders programs offer students aged between 14 and 17 a taste of residential college and university life in Melbourne.</p> <p>Week One: Sunday 2 July - Sunday 9 July Arts Leadership for Social Justice Commerce English Intensive: Drama and Communication Science and Engineering</p> <p>Week Two: Sunday 9 July - Sunday 16 July Fine Arts The Law and Justice Personal Development for Future Leaders Biomedicine Psychology: The Science of Human Behavior</p> <p>http://www.trinity.unimelb.edu.au/learning/trinity-institute/overview.html</p>
ICHM (International College of Hotel Management) – Adelaide, Australia	ICHM Career Weeks	<p>Each ICHM Career Week is specially designed to help those considering hospitality or a related business course. There are two Career Weeks every year, usually in July and September.</p> <p>http://www.ichm.edu.au/about/careers/career-weeks</p>
National University of Singapore (NUS)	Science Summer Camp	<p>The Science Summer Camp is designed to stir curiosity and inculcate a life-long fascination for science into the students through inspiring lectures by university professors, creative workshops, engaging demonstrations at state-of-the-art laboratories and visits to research labs at NUS for an experiential learning in a supportive and intellectually stimulating environment.</p> <p>students from top schools all around Asia and beyond.</p>

		http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/partnerships-and-outreach/schools-and-public-outreach/sdl-scisummercamp
Temple University Japan	TUJ High School Summer Programme	<p>TUJ invites high school students to a summer of language and cultural experiences in Tokyo. The 8 night program includes a unique mix of Japanese language classes and one of four exciting electives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Communications -Art -Business -International Affairs <p>http://www.tui.ac.jp/hs-summer-program/</p>

Programmes overseas – not run by universities

Next Step China	Study/Travel/Volunteer Work/Internships in China	http://www.nextstepchina.org/
Premed projects	Medical Work Experience for Future Doctors, Nurses, Midwives & Dentists in UK, Thailand, India.	<p>Work experience takes place in several different hospitals & universities during your stay and you'll visit and be lectured by medical school admissions tutors, practising doctors and current medical students.</p> <p>https://www.premedprojects.co.uk/</p>
Gap Medics	Experience Medicine - summer programs	<p>We offer students the opportunity to see what the world of medicine is really like. Through our facilities would-be medical students travel to Tanzania, Croatia, Poland, or Thailand to shadow experienced doctors and healthcare professionals.</p> <p>Not only does this experience help students to make the right decision about their future careers, but it is also a useful addition to their applications to medical school.</p> <p>In terms of the practicalities, students are met at the airport by one of our specialist staff team members and are looked after by an extensive staff team throughout their stay.</p> <p>https://www.gapmedics.com/</p>
Project Kilimanjaro	Hospital Experience Course	<p>Students looking to boost their chances of gaining a place at Medical School can join our Hospital Work Experience Course at Project Kilimanjaro during April, July or August 2017:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combine education and travel • Hospital Work Experience • University interview training • Volunteering Opportunities • Expert careers advice & guidance • 24/7 staff supervision • Meals & accommodation included • Safari and wildlife weekend trips <p>Our courses are specifically designed for students aged 16+ who are seeking a career in healthcare. Our Project Kilimanjaro is the perfect mixture of education and travel, find out more here: www.medicalprojects.co.uk.</p>
The British Aviation Experience	Aviation experience in the UK	<p>Two weeks in U.K. for teenagers age 14-18</p> <p>This unique two-week course in the U.K., for boys and girls (14-18 years), will give an insight into what it is like to work within the aviation industry. We currently have programmes commencing 22nd July and 19th August 2017. They will experience many aspects of life as a pilot, including flying lessons on light aircraft, Boeing 747 simulator, and emergency training with British Airways. Also visits to aviation museums, airline headquarters as well as some exciting recreational activities, sightseeing in London and Cardiff. The students will stay in the halls of residence of Brunel University in London, where they will also have English lessons most days. There will be some talks with pilots and other airline professionals as well.</p> <p>https://www.brookfieldav.com/education-projects</p>
Varsity Education	University preparation courses in Oxford and Cambridge	<p>3-week summer courses held in Oxford + Cambridge colleges. Taught by university staff. Selective entry. Some merit-based scholarships available.</p>

		http://varsity-education.ac/
Reach Cambridge	Summer courses	http://www.reachcambridge.com/ Various academic courses, held on site in Cambridge colleges, through July and August.
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Collegexpress.com	Search for USA Summer Pre-College Programmes	USC Barnard Boston Brown Carleton Carnegie Mellon Columbia Cornell MIT NYU Northwestern Princeton Stanford UCLA UPenn etc... http://www.collegexpress.com/articles-and-advice/summer-programs/
College Visits (USA)	US college visits	College visits organised by area: Boston, California, Northeast, Southeast. www.college-visits.com
Summer Discovery	Pre-College Enrichment/Business Institutes – USA + UK	UCLA UC Santa Barbara UTexas UMichigan UTAustin Georgetown NYU Leadership Emerson Penn Penn Law Johns Hopkins London Business Shanghai + Beijing http://www.summerdiscovery.com/
GIS University Tours	USA/UK university tours	College/university tours – USA and UK. You can check the detailed itineraries here: www.gisuniversitytours.com . Most of our tours are in the month of July and group size is between 10 to 20 students' maximum. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit the university campus • Chat over lunch-in-campus with a <i>current university</i>

		<p>student to ask all questions they have. *We are collaborating with <u>Campus Sherpa</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss any concerns on “how to Apply” with the Admissions Office • Bond with other international high school students in the same situation. • Daily wrap-up sessions to process all the information we are receiving and clarify any doubts.
Oxbridge Academic	Summer Programmes	<p><u>http://www.oxbridgeprograms.com/</u></p> <p>Programmes in Oxford, Cambridge, New York, Paris, Barcelona, Salamanca, Montpellier and new programmes at St Andrews (Scotland) and UCLA.</p>
Rustic Pathways	Summer/Gap Year trips	<p>Summer trips & Gap Year - focus on Service, Learning Adventure and Discovery. USA Based Organisation with International programmes offered.</p> <p><u>https://rusticpathways.com/</u></p>
Where There Be Dragons	Summer travel programmes	<p>Summer student travel programmes in China, Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam, Nepal, India, Sikkim, Tibet, Brazil, Bolivia, Guatemala, Peru, Morocco.</p> <p><u>https://www.wheretherebedragons.com/</u></p>