PRE-COLLEGE STARTS HERE.
Syracuse University Office of Pre-College Programs offers high school students the opportunity to explore potential college majors and careers. You’ll not only learn what it’s like to be a college student, you’ll leave the program feeling more confident, enthusiastic and ready for college.
Why should you attend a pre-college program at Syracuse University?

Learn What It’s Like to Be a College Student
All pre-college courses are taught by Syracuse University faculty and instructors, and are structured like real college classes. You will be empowered to be independent and self-sufficient and to seek academic support when needed.

Explore College Majors
Choosing a college major is a huge decision, especially when you have many interests. As a pre-college student, you’ll have the unique opportunity to test out a major (or two or three!) before deciding on a program of study.

Make Friends From Around the World
College is about finding yourself and finding new friends. As a pre-college student, you will have many opportunities to meet like-minded students in classes and events.

Stand Out to College Admissions
Successfully completing a pre-college course at Syracuse University gives you something impressive to put on your college application. Many students ask their professor for a letter of recommendation and attach their completed work to their college applications.
Our Pre-College Programs

Attend one (or more!) of our three signature programs:

**Summer College - Online**
Explore college majors and academic interests in credit and noncredit online courses this summer. Virtual events and community-building activities can be accessed from anywhere in the world.

**Summer College - On Campus**
*Cancelled for Summer 2021.* Students can take a college-level course, live in a residence hall, have meals with friends in a dining center, and participate in activities and events on campus.

**Accelerated Semester Online**
Enroll in an online college-level course while you’re still in high school. Eight-week courses are open to high school students who want to get ahead during the fall or spring semesters.
Summer College - Online

Take a pre-college course online this summer!

As a Summer College - Online student, you’ll have the unique opportunity to explore potential majors and pursue academic interests from the comfort of home—or from anywhere life takes you. You will take part in high-level instruction, have access to virtual campus offerings, and be welcomed into an engaging and supportive online community. Instruction consists of synchronous content in the form of live video classes with Syracuse University faculty or instructors and asynchronous content that may include videos, guest lectures, virtual field trips, demonstrations and events.

Summer 2021 Dates
3-week Session I: July 19 - Aug. 6
3-week Session II: Aug. 9 - Aug. 27
6-week Session: July 19 - Aug. 27

Cost and Aid
Course cost varies based on the number of credits. Partial need-based and merit scholarships are available. Discounts may also apply.

Application Eligibility Requirements
Students must be a rising sophomore, junior or senior in high school. We also accept graduated seniors who will not matriculate to Syracuse University in 2021. Note: Some courses have specific additional requirements.

Learn more at precollege.syr.edu
Summer College - Online

2021 Online Courses

Pursue one or more credit or noncredit courses this summer, taught by Syracuse University faculty and instructors. Courses subject to change.

3-Week Session I Courses
- African American Studies (3 credits)
- Animation (3 credits)
- Architecture (3 credits)
- Art and Activism (3 credits)
- Biomedical Engineering (noncredit)
- Broadcast and Digital Journalism: TV News Storytelling (noncredit)
- Cinematography (noncredit)
- Civil, Environmental, Renewable, and Alternative Energy Engineering (noncredit)
- Class and Literary Texts (3 credits)
- Creative Writing (3 credits)
- Criminal Justice and Corporate Law (noncredit)
- Criminology (3 credits)
- Data Science Fundamentals (noncredit)
- Design Studies (noncredit)
- Fashion Design (noncredit)
- Filmmaking (noncredit)
- Food Fights: Contemporary Food Issues (3 credits)
- Food Studies: Culture and Cuisine Through Film (noncredit)
- Global Encounters (3 credits)
- Graphic Design (noncredit)
- Graphic Novel and Visual Storytelling (noncredit)
- Industrial & Interaction Design (3 credits)
- International Relations (3 credits)
- It Girls (noncredit)
- Microeconomics (3 credits)
- Movies and the Meaning of Life (3 credits or noncredit)
- Musical Theater (noncredit)
- Nutrition in Health (3 credits)
- Painting Studio (3 credits)
- Pre-Med and Health Professions (noncredit)
- Programming and Quantitative Methods in Biology (noncredit)
- Racial and Ethnic Inequalities (3 credits)
- Religion: Discovering Islam (3 credits)
- SAT and College Admission Prep (noncredit)
- Screenwriting Fundamentals (noncredit)
- Sociology (3 credits)
- Sound Engineering and Audio Production (noncredit)
- Sport Analytics (Session I) (noncredit)
- Sport Broadcasting (noncredit)

3-Week Session I Courses (continued)
- Sport Management (noncredit)
- Sport, Media and Society (noncredit)
- Storytelling and Identity (noncredit)
- Team and Leadership Academy (noncredit)
- Web Design: Design and Management of Internet Services (3 credits)
- What’s on TV? (noncredit)
- Women’s and Gender Studies (3 credits)

3-Week Session II Courses
- Aerospace Engineering (noncredit)
- Astro-Bioengineering: Searching for the Limit of Life (noncredit)
- Biotechnology Basics (noncredit)
- Business Innovation, Design, and Startups: What’s the Big Idea? (3 credits or noncredit)
- Coding: Learn to Code (noncredit)
- Creative Leadership and Social Responsibility (3 credits or noncredit)
- Cybersecurity: Hackathon Experience (noncredit)
- Environmental and Interior Design (noncredit)
- Field Recording and Sound Design (noncredit)
- Humanitarian Medical Technology (noncredit)
- Photography (3 credits or noncredit)
- Political Theory (3 credits)
- Social Media Strategy and Analytics (noncredit)
- Sociology of Police (3 credits)
- Sociology of Sport (3 credits)
- Sociology of the Environment (3 credits)
- Sport Analytics (Session II) (noncredit)
- Telling the Stories of Our Lives (noncredit)

3-Week Session II Courses (continued)
- Sport Broadcasting (noncredit)

6-Week Courses
- Applied Data Science (noncredit)
- Business Leadership and Empowerment (noncredit)
- Character Design and Development for Interactive Media (3 credits or noncredit)
- Communications and Society (3 credits)
- Computer Animation and Game Development (3 credits or noncredit)
- Death and Disposition: A Historical Review of Funeral Practices & Customs (noncredit)
- Forensic Science (4 credits)
- Policy Studies: Smart Cities and Urban Policy (3 credits)
- Race and Literary Texts (3 credits)
- Science Fiction: Literature of the Future (noncredit)
Virtual Campus Life

Build Connections and Community
Syracuse University Summer College - Online offers you the opportunity to immerse yourself in a virtual college campus. You will connect with other students in the program through daily online activities.

Supporting Student Success and Development
As a pre-college student, you have access to all of the same academic support and resources as an undergraduate student.

- Online Success Advisors
- The Center for Disability Resources
- The Writing Center
- Syracuse University Libraries
- Information Technology Services (ITS)

Virtual Events and Activities

Admissions Events
- Admissions information sessions with representatives from Syracuse University schools and colleges
- College Prep Workshops

Social Activities and Meetups
- Meet the Pets
- Paint nights
- Movie nights
- Live trivia

Recreation and Wellness Activities
- Virtual yoga, Zumba and fitness classes
- Meditation and mindfulness sessions

Student Development Events
- Resume-building workshops
- Financial literacy and Smart Money workshops
- Access to LinkedIn Learning courses
Summer College - On Campus

Cancelled for Summer 2021

Students who attend Summer College - On Campus are immersed in the full college experience. They can take a college-level course, live in a residence hall, have meals with friends in a dining center and participate in field trips, college tours and activities on campus.

Course Information
Noncredit and credit courses reflect the diverse majors and minors offered throughout Syracuse University. Courses are taught by Syracuse University faculty and instructors.

Eligibility Requirements
Students must be 15 years of age or older by their move-in date.

Sign up for updates at precollege.syr.edu/sign-up-for-updates
“My Syracuse University Summer College experience was honestly AMAZING. I really loved the way the online program was conducted. The virtual events preserved the school’s spirit and allowed interactions between students. Nothing can compare to my experience at Summer College. I not only expanded my knowledge, I also interacted with students all over the world. Most importantly, I had a lot of fun!”

- Michelle B.
Summer College - Online student, Architecture 2020
Accelerated Semester Online

Get ahead by taking a college course online during the school year!

2021 Dates
8-week Summer Session I: May 24 – July 16
8-week Fall I: Aug. 30 - Oct. 21
8-week Fall II: Oct. 25 - Dec. 16

Virtual Classroom
Each week, you’ll participate in one 90-minute synchronous (live) session with the course instructor. You’ll also have 8-10 hours of asynchronous work per week, which may include watching videos, reading and completing assignments. All high school students enrolled will receive advising and support from the Online Student Success Team.

Sample Courses
Course offerings vary per session and are subject to change.
- BPS 100 Introduction to Computing Systems (3 credits)
- CRL 301 Introduction to Creative Leadership (3 credits)
- ECN 102 Introductory Macroeconomics (3 credits)
- GEO 155 The Natural Environment (3 credits)
- MAT 122 Probability and Statistics for the Liberal Arts II (4 credits)
- PPM 301 Foundations of Project Management (3 credits)
- PSY 274 Social Psychology (3 credits)
- PSC 121 American National Government and Politics (3 credits)
- SOC 102 Social Problems (3 credits)
- WRT 105 Studio 1: Practices of Academic Writing (3 credits)

Application Eligibility Requirements
High school students applying to enroll in Syracuse University online courses are expected to be in good academic standing with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Students must be of rising high school junior or senior status or a high school graduate. Some courses may have additional requirements.

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Success Beyond Pre-College

In a recent survey*, alumni indicated that:

- **97%** have earned or are in the process of earning a bachelor’s degree
- **27%** have earned or are in the process of earning a master’s degree

*Based on a 2019 survey of 2011-18 alumni.

“I would strongly recommend this program to students and their families. I formed lifelong friendships as well as meaningful professional relationships. It was a great way to prepare for my college career. I grew immensely as an individual and look back on my time there fondly.”

- Summer College - On Campus alumnus, 2004

Companies where our pre-college alumni work

From Pre-College to a Bright Future

98% of our alumni report that their pre-college experience prepared them for college and beyond. By exploring career paths and making contacts in one of our programs, students can get a head start on their undergraduate degree program and their future profession.
Where in the World are our Syracuse University pre-college students from?

From 2016-20, nearly 3,000 high school students attended one of our pre-college programs. These students came from:

- **54 Countries**
- **45 U.S. States**
  - Plus U.S. territories in the Caribbean and Pacific
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