

# UPPER LEARNING EXCURSION

Excursion is an exciting chance for Upper Learning students and teachers to immerse themselves in experiential education. For two weeks, we pause traditional classes and dive into topics that take us off campus and into the wider world. This year, Excursion looks a little different than before the pandemic began. Although students are not traveling outside of Atlanta, teachers have embraced all that our region has to offer in support of exciting, engaging learning experiences.

Excursion offerings change each year; they may lead students to conduct research on Costa Rica's ecology, explore food cultures represented along Buford Highway, skate through Atlanta while learning about physics, or experience Latin American culture and family life first-hand. Students across grade levels join to gather information, travel to new places, discuss issues, produce artifacts and deliverables, and generally make the world their classroom. Tapping into their passions, teachers form partnerships across disciplines to create relevant and immersive learning experiences in valuable courses students just can't get in a classroom setting. The result is both an intensive credit-bearing class and an unforgettable experience.

Elliott Galloway encouraged us all to "play the game of learning," and Excursion offers Upper Learning students a wonderful playground.



## Excursion Course Offerings February 2022

- Are We Alone?: UFOs, Astrobiology, & the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence
- Art & Mindfulness
- Art in the City
- Becoming an Olympian: The Psychology & Ethics of the Olympics
- The ABCs of Publishing: The Art of Communication in the Digital Age
- Latin American & Spanish Culture
- Planes, Trains, & Automobiles: Interconnectedness in ATL
- Queer History in the South
- Slavery and the Persistence of Marginalization
- The Economics of Georgia Sports
- The Economics of Eating: Slow Food, Fast Food, What Food?
- The Physics of Fun
- The Science of Food
- TV Series Pitch Party: The Writers' Room at Work
- Soap Box Derby & the Physics of Motion
- Women's Work: Art, Activism, & the Domestic Sphere
- Independent Study

