

## Summer Opportunities for Upper School Students

***Below is a list of summer opportunities for which Potomac has received information. This is not a comprehensive list of summer programs and opportunities available – only the ones that have sent Potomac information or Potomac students have attended. Comprehensive websites such as [Teen Life](#), [CampPage](#), or [Internships.com](#) may prove helpful in identifying additional summer opportunities. Please let a member of the Upper School College Counseling Office know if you have had a good experience at a summer program that does not appear on this list. For dates, costs, and more detailed information, please visit each summer program's website.***

### ACADEMICS & ARTS

#### **The ACLU Summer Advocacy Program**

The ACLU Summer Advocacy Program brings together a diverse group of high school students from across the United States to participate in a firsthand learning experience for the next generation of social justice advocates. During this week-long program in Washington, DC, students participate in electives and seminars led by lobbyists, community activists, lawyers, and ACLU experts to enhance their knowledge of civil liberties, social justice issues, and advocacy campaigns. The Close Up Foundation – a DC based civic education non-profit – partners with the ACLU to provide substantive experiential learning and small group discussion opportunities throughout the program. <https://www.aclu.org/issues/aclu-summer-institute>

#### **Air Force Academy Summer Sports Camps**

Summer Falcon Sports Camps are offered for students aged 8 to 18 in numerous sports and led by Air Force head coaches. For more information visit <http://www.goairforcefalcons.com/camps/>

#### **American University School of Communication**

*Discover the World of Communication* is open to all high school students grades 9 through 12, including those students entering 9th grade in the fall. Classes are taught by American University School of Communication faculty and communication professionals. Activities, guest speakers, events, and field trips occur regularly throughout the summer. Past trips include viewing live television and radio broadcasts at NBC4, WTTG, Fox5, NPR and ESPN Radio. <http://www.american.edu/soc/discover/>

#### **American University School of International Studies**

*Community of Scholars Program* will broaden students understanding of international affairs by enrolling in a 3-credit college class in foreign policy, international conflict resolution, or global health and the environment. Small, seminar-style classes enable professors to challenge and engage students. The courses are complemented with guest speakers, visits to DC sites such as the State Department and Pentagon, and workshops to build college skills. Learn more about the different course options at [www.american.edu/sis/communityofscholars](http://www.american.edu/sis/communityofscholars).

### **Areteem Institute Summer Camps**

Hosted at UCLA, Georgetown University and Bentley University, the program aims to provide a conceptual and analytical approach in tackling STEM based problems for students, allowing them to question, “Why is this the best solution? Are there any other solutions I could have done?” For more information visit <https://areteem.org/index.php>

### **Barnard College Summer in New York City Pre-College Program**

Barnard College of Pre-College Programs offers learning and leadership opportunities for male and female high school students who have completed the 10th or 11th grade, including the Young Women’s Leadership Institute and the coed Summer in New York City academic program which includes classes adapted from the Barnard undergraduate curriculum.

<https://precollege.barnard.edu/>

### **BerkleeICE Creative Entrepreneurship Summer Program**

A unique collaboration between the Berklee Institute for Creative Entrepreneurship (BerkleeICE) and Brown University’s Brown Leadership Institute will hone entrepreneurial and social leadership skills, tap into creativity, and develop the mindset required of future innovators and leaders. For more info visit <https://www.berklee.edu/summer/creative-entrepreneurship>

### **Boston College Summer Experience**

Rising seniors can take classes for college credit and enjoy an academic experience that is complemented by recreational and social activities in and around the city of Boston. Course offerings include natural and computer sciences, history, economics, writing, film, philosophy, languages, political science, psychology, sociology, and theology. For more information visit

<https://www.bc.edu/content/bc-web/sites/bc-experience.html>

### **Boston University Pre-College Youth Summer Programs**

A variety of programs for kids of all ages, including offerings such as: High School Honors program (earn college credit taking undergraduate courses), Research Institute in Science and Engineering, Institute for Television, Film and Radio Production, Program in Math for Young Scientists, Sargent Center Outdoor Education Adventure Camp, Summer Theatre Institute, Tanglewood Institute sponsored by the BU School of Music (work with college symphony orchestra professionals and the Boston Symphony Orchestra), Visual Arts Institute, Summer Reading Program. Go to [www.bu.edu/mysummer](http://www.bu.edu/mysummer) for more information.

### **Boston University Summer Journalism Institute**

Based at Boston University’s College of Communication, students will attend a college-level writing class in the morning. In the afternoon, they are assigned to newsrooms to work with award-winning journalists, such as Pulitzer winner Lara Salahi, as their editors to cover different stories - entertainment, politics, sports, metro and investigations - in the Boston area. Evening events range from guest lectures from local journalists at The Boston Globe, Spotlight team, WGBH, and WBUR, to tours of historic sites and museums such as Fenway Park and the Museum of Fine Arts. <https://combeyond.bu.edu/pre-college/>

### **Brandeis University High School Programs**

College-level summer programs that offer high school students from across the globe the opportunity to learn app design, attend a Global Youth Summit on the Future of Medicine or to

immerse themselves in artistic (BIMA) and intellectual (Genesis) discovery. At BIMA and Genesis teens explore the relationship between their personal passions and their Jewish identity. Go to [www.brandeis.edu/highschool](http://www.brandeis.edu/highschool) for more information.

**Bucknell Academy Summer Experience (BASE)** is a collaborative residential experience where students are invited to explore the value of a liberal arts perspective in making challenging decisions to improve today's world. At BASE, faculty and students from various academic disciplines will engage in classroom discussions in an effort to come up with creative solutions. BASE participants will have the opportunity to: Learn about exciting current world issues, develop creative problem solving skills, collaborate with faculty and peers, experience the liberal arts education, explore Bucknell's campus.

[https://www.bucknell.edu/BASE?utm\\_source=slate&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=base](https://www.bucknell.edu/BASE?utm_source=slate&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=base)

### **Camp Shakespeare**

Two and three week performance intensive camps at locations in Washington DC. Visit <http://www.shakespearetheatre.org/education/classes-and-camps/camp-shakespeare> for more information and to apply online.

### **Canada / USA Math Camp**

A joint venture between the United States and Canada, this five-week summer math program is hosted by a different college each year. Apply online at <http://www.mathcamp.org/>

### **Summer at Carleton – Liberal Arts Experience**

The Carleton Liberal Arts Experience (CLAE) program introduces the strengths of a liberal arts education through an array of courses in science, art, social sciences, and technology. Students of African American descent or students who have an interest in African American culture are encouraged to apply. College-bound students currently completing their sophomore year of high school are eligible for CLAE. Full and partial scholarships are available. Visit <https://apps.carleton.edu/summer/clae/> for more information.

### **Carnegie Mellon Summer of Exploration**

Summer programs in fine arts, architecture, design, drama, music, and video game design for rising juniors and seniors. Go to [www.cmu.edu/pre-college](http://www.cmu.edu/pre-college) for information.

### **CATALYST Academy, Cornell University Diversity Programs in Engineering**

A one-week summer residential program for underrepresented high school students who excel in math and science, enjoy solving problems, and want to learn more about engineering. Application available online at <https://sites.coecis.cornell.edu/catalystacademy/> Financial assistance available.

### **University of Chicago Summer Session**

A wide array of programs for rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Students are taught in small classes by professors and experienced lecturers, and can select courses from among 150 offerings for which they will receive undergraduate college credit. Courses include arts and sciences, ancient and modern languages, economics, philosophy and undergraduate business courses. For more information go to

<https://summer.uchicago.edu/programs/uchicago-enrichment-programs>

### **College of William and Mary Pre-Collegiate Summer Program in Early American History**

Open to rising high school juniors and seniors. A summer residential program at William and Mary in which high school students earn four collegiate academic credits while studying on site at the historic places and museums in Virginia. For more information go to

<https://www.wm.edu/as/niahd/precol/index.php>

### **Colorado College Summer Programs**

Choose from an array of course offerings and participate in activities ranging from film discussion nights to hiking and camping. For information go to:

<https://www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/summersession/pre-college/>

### **Columbia University Summer High School Programs**

Columbia University's High School Summer Immersion Program is not just about what you learn inside of the classroom, it's also about what you learn outside of the classroom and the connections you make with peers, faculty, and staff. This summer program focuses on leadership, college preparation, and cross cultural communication. For more information go to

<https://precollege.sps.columbia.edu/highschool/summer-immersion-new-york-city/residential/student-life>

### **Computers and Technology at Virginia Tech**

Virginia Tech's College of Engineering invites rising junior and senior girls to participate in C-Tech2. The focus of the program is to develop and sustain the interests in women in engineering and the sciences. Visit the website at

<https://eng.vt.edu/ceed/ceed-pre-college-programs/c-tech2.html>

### **Concordia Language Villages**

Youth programs in a multitude of languages. Everything from the music played to the dishes used in the dining hall reflect the culture each was designed to represent. Campers are immersed in the world of a native speaker. For more details,

<http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/>

### **Cornell University Summer College**

This six-week program offers high school juniors and seniors an unparalleled opportunity to learn from faculty members. For more information visit <https://www.sce.cornell.edu/sc/>

### **Denison College - Reynolds Young Writers Workshop**

Every summer for more than two decades, talented high school students (current sophomores and juniors) have been welcomed to Denison University in Granville, Ohio, for the acclaimed Reynolds Young Writers Workshop. The workshop is an eight-day residential program that incorporates small creative writing workshops, group sessions with Denison creative writing faculty and notable visiting writers, and much more. Encourage your students to [apply today!](#)

### **Drexel University Summer Institutes**

Each summer, Drexel offers highly motivated and talented high school students the opportunity to explore what college life is all about through our [Summer Institutes](#). Through various workshops led by Drexel faculty using our state-of-the-art labs and facilities, participants gain an understanding of the undergraduate experience in a university-level program. Most of the

Institutes take place at Drexel's University City Campus in the heart of Philadelphia. For more information visit <https://drexel.edu/academics/pre-college-programs>

### **Duke University Summer Session**

Duke Pre-College Programs offer the opportunity to earn academic credit in a variety of disciplines. Visit <https://learnmore.duke.edu/precollege/all-programs>

### **Emory University Pre-College Program**

The Emory Pre-College Program give college-bound high school student a glimpse of academic and residential life at a top-ranked national university. High school students may enroll in classes with college students, earn transferable college credit, and explore topics with professors who are the leading experts in their fields. More information can be found at [www.college.emory.edu/pre-college](http://www.college.emory.edu/pre-college).

### **Foundation for Teaching Economics**

One-week programs held on select college campuses around the country (i.e. Emory, William & Mary, Cornell, Babson, etc.) and led by university economics professors. The programs are designed to help students develop an appreciation for different leadership styles, understand how economic reasoning is integral to decision making, and think about how economics affect public policy choices. Apply online at <http://www.fte.org/student-programs/economics-for-leaders-program/>.

### **Georgetown University Summer Programs**

Georgetown offers a variety of summer programs for high school students. Applications are processed on a rolling basis. For more information go to <https://summer.georgetown.edu/>

### **George Washington University Summer Offerings**

A variety of programs are offered in a number of subject areas, including STEM, the arts, leadership and more. There is a college intensive program for rising juniors and seniors in which college credit can be earned and also summer intensive programs that expand and deepen knowledge of a topic through collaborative learning and exploration of the diverse intellectual and cultural resources of Washington, DC. For information go to <http://summer.gwu.edu/precollege>

### **Gettysburg College Academic Camps**

Two different camps offered: [CampPsych](#) & [Writing Camp](#)

### **Girls Who Code**

Girls Who Code was founded six years ago with the belief that computing skills are a critical path to security and prosperity in today's job market. What began with 20 girls in the heart of New York City, Girls Who Code will reach 40,000 girls in all 50 U.S. states by the end of this year. At Girls Who Code, we believe the gender gap in technology is an issue we must all come together to solve. Learn computer science through real-world projects in art and storytelling, robotics, video games, websites, apps and more! For more information:

<https://girlswhocode.com/programs/summer-immersion-program>

### **Great Books Summer Program**

The Senior Program provides bright students from all around the world the opportunity to hone their critical and analytical thinking skills and intellectual risk-taking. Students gather on the campus of Amherst College, Stanford University, Oxford University or Dublin University to read and discuss selections from works of literature. For more information go to [www.greatbookssummer.com](http://www.greatbookssummer.com)

### **Hampshire College Summer Studies in Mathematics**

An intensive six-week residential program with college-level mathematics for talented and highly motivated high school students. Go to <http://www.hcssim.org/> for more information.

### **Harvard Summer School**

Two programs: [Pre-College Program](#) is a two-week residential experience featuring noncredit courses with a choice of over 50 courses. [The Secondary School Program](#) is a for credit seven-week session with over 200 courses from which to choose.

### **Johns Hopkins Engineering Innovation (EI)**

EI is an exciting, hands-on summer course for high school students interested in engineering. Visit <http://engineering.jhu.edu/ei/> for further details.

### **Johns Hopkins University Pre-College Program**

Summer at Hopkins offers an unrivaled opportunity to learn from Hopkins' world-renowned instructors and connect with academically oriented students from around the globe. Select from a host of programs in medicine, neuroscience, and psychology to broaden your knowledge, enhance your college application, and earn academic credit. Visit the Johns Hopkins website: <https://summer.jhu.edu/programs-courses/pre-college-programs/>

### **JMU Summer Institute**

The JMU Summer Honors Institute is a unique week-long program where talented rising high school juniors and seniors get a first-hand look at life in a dynamic university and its Honors program. For more information visit <http://www.jmu.edu/outreach/programs/all/honorscamp/index.shtml>

### **Kenyon Young Writers Program**

An intensive two-week writing program for intellectually curious, motivated high-school students who value writing. Admission is selective and based on the student's application essay and a teacher's recommendation. For more information go to <https://www.kenyonreview.org/workshops/young-writers/>

### **University of Maryland Terp Young Scholars Program**

Demanding pre-college program in which high school students pursue academic interests, discover career opportunities, earn three university credits, and explore university life. More information can be found here: <https://oes.umd.edu/pre-college-programs/terp-young-scholars/how-program-works>

### **Miami University Summer Scholars Program**

Students spend a week on campus exploring a topic of their choice with an acclaimed Miami faculty member. For rising juniors and seniors. Participants who later choose to apply to Miami receive priority consideration for merit scholarships and the University's premier academic programs. For more information visit

<http://miamioh.edu/admission/high-school/summer-scholars/>

### **LaunchX**

Launch Summer focuses on entrepreneurship and innovation. Several programs are offered online and in person in North Carolina or Michigan. Information available at <https://launchx.com/>

### **National Geographic Student Expeditions**

Summer program focusing on many of the themes of National Geographic magazines, including Photography; Wildlife & Conservation; Archaeology, Culture & Tradition; Innovation, Technology & Robotics; Marine & Tropical Biology; and Climate & Geology. For information visit:

<https://natgeostudenttravel.org/programs/>

### **Northwestern University College Preparation Program**

Freshman and sophomore level courses in a variety of academic disciplines are available to high school students in the college preparation program. There are courses available for credit as well as IN FOCUS Seminars which are two week non-credit courses designed to expose students to Northwestern faculty highlighting themes relevant today. Virtual courses are also offered. Information and an application available online at:

<https://sps.northwestern.edu/college-preparation/index.php>

### **Northwestern University High School Institute (The Cherub Program)**

Programs in Film (production, screenwriting, acting on camera) Theatre (theatre arts, design/tech, musical theatre) and Debate. For more information go to

[www.northwestern.edu/nhsi](http://www.northwestern.edu/nhsi)

### **NYU Precollege**

Summer program that offers high school students the opportunity to experience NYU by spending six weeks living and learning in the NYU community. In addition to focusing on academics in the classroom, students develop critical college-level writing skills, prepare for the college admissions process, and explore New York City's endless cultural opportunities. Visit

<http://www.nyu.edu/admissions/high-school-programs/precollege.html>

### **Loyola University Foresight Prep**

Foresight Prep @ Loyola University in Chicago offers a rare opportunity for high school students concerned about social and environmental issues to better understand and realize their personal and professional potential, and capacity for positive impact. For more information, visit

<http://www.foresightprep.org/>

### **Operation Catapult**

This nearly three-week-long summer program lets you experience college life at the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology campus. Students will meet new friends, dive into cool STEM projects and have a blast using all the knowledge you've gained in 11 years of school! Students will set up and run advanced experiments, interact with dedicated professors, and have the chance to see what engineering and the physical sciences are really all about. For more information:

<https://www.rose-hulman.edu/admissions-and-aid/early-planning/operation-catapult/index.html>

### **Phillips Andover Academy Summer School**

A five-week residential summer program for freshman, sophomores and juniors to take summer courses and prepare for the rigors of the best colleges and for the rigors of leading and serving in this complex world. More information available at <https://www.andover.edu/summer>

### **Phillips Exeter Academy Summer School**

A five-week summer program for freshman, sophomores and juniors for academic study, athletics, and exploration that carry participants far beyond the classroom and the playing fields. More information available at <https://www.exeter.edu/exeter-summer>

### **Princeton University Summer Journalism Program**

The goal is to diversify college and professional newsrooms, where women, people of color, and from lower-income and middle-class backgrounds, rural communities and other parts of the country had been historically underrepresented. This program is for rising seniors. All expenses, including students' travel costs to and from the program are paid for by the program. Go to <http://www.princeton.edu/sjp/> for more information.

### **Programs in Math for Young Scientists (PROMYS)**

PROMYS is a six-week summer program at Boston University designed to encourage motivated high school students to explore the creative world of mathematics in a supportive community of peers, counselors, research mathematicians, and visiting scientists. Scholarships are available to attend this program. Visit <http://www.promys.org/> for more details.

### **Ross Mathematics Program**

The Ross Program at the Ohio State University is an intensive summer experience designed to encourage motivated pre-college students to explore mathematics. During those weeks, students are immersed in a world of mathematical discovery. Go to <http://www.math.ohio-state.edu/ross/> for more information.

### **Sarah Lawrence Programs for High School Students**

Residential courses in creative writing. Online registration and information is available at <https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/summer/pre-college/>

### **Savannah School of Art and Design (SCAD) Pre-College Summer Programs**

Two programs available: Rising Star allows incoming seniors to enroll in two college level classes and begin building a professional portfolio; Summer Seminars are weeklong workshops for rising sophomores, juniors and seniors to develop creativity through exciting art and design projects. Visit <http://www.scad.edu/academics/pre-college-summer-programs>



### **School of the Museum of Fine Arts pre-college Summer Studio (Boston)**

Rigorous four week art program for high school students interested in the visual arts. Graduates can earn up to four college credits. For more information go to

<https://smfa.tufts.edu/continuing-education/high-school-programs/pre-college>

### **Sewanee Pre-College Programs**

Sewanee: The University of the South offers summer residential programs in a variety of areas including language, religion, music, and writing.

<https://new.sewanee.edu/admission-aid/pre-college-programs/>

### **Stanford University Pre-Collegiate Summer Institutes**

Students have the opportunity to take undergraduate courses and earn Stanford University credit. Students have opportunities to attend cultural and social events both on and off campus and to use the university athletic facilities. Admission is competitive and applying early is strongly encouraged. Visit the website at <https://summerinstitutes.spcs.stanford.edu/about>

### **Stanford University Math Camp (SUMaC)**

A four-week program of serious mathematical pursuit that brings together mathematically talented high school juniors and seniors from around the world for intense study in advanced mathematics. Visit

<https://spcs.stanford.edu/programs/stanford-university-mathematics-camp-sumac> for more information.

### **Summer Academy at St. John's College**

Modeled on the St. John's Program, the Summer Academy offers high school juniors and seniors a rich experience reading and discussing original texts in small discussion classes (tutorials and seminars) with faculty members experienced in guiding thoughtful and lively conversations. Sessions are available in person at both the Santa Fe, NM and Annapolis, MD locations and there are also virtual programs. More information can be found at

<https://www.sjc.edu/summer-academy>

### **Summer Discovery**

Offering a host of pre-college, summer enrichment and internship programs at several of the world's most prestigious universities. All students receive college counseling, on campus tips, and enrollment in a webinar series taught by former admissions officers. Visit

<https://www.summerdiscovery.com/pre-college-enrichment> for more information

### **Summerfuel**

For over thirty years, Summerfuel has offered programs for high school students. There are pre-college, study abroad, college admissions prep and social entrepreneurship programs offered. For a full listing please visit <https://online.summerfuel.com/pages/pre-college>

### **Summer of Art**

Summer of Art provides artists ages 15 and older with a college immersion experience in art and design at the Otis College of Art and Design in Los Angeles. The intensive four-week program features small classes with personalized, in-depth learning and rigorous coursework in hands-on studio courses and labs. More info can be found at <http://www.otis.edu/summer-art>

### **Summer at University of Southern California**

Two and four week residential programs including, but not limited to, seminars on Architecture, Business, Engineering & Information Technology, Global Studies, Communication & Journalism, Performing Arts: Summer Theatre Conservatory, Pre-Health & Science, Pre-Law, and Writing & Critical Thinking. Visit the website at <http://summerprograms.usc.edu>

### **Pre-College Programs at Susquehanna University**

Week-long residential programs include Entrepreneurship Institute, Choral Institute, Wind Ensemble Institute, Writer's Workshop and Stream Ecology Institute. For more information visit <https://www.susqu.edu/academics/summer-pre-college-programs/>

### **University of Vermont Summer Academy**

Open to students who have completed 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Successful students receive 3 UVM college credits and a greater understanding of what college life is like first-hand. For more information visit <http://www.uvm.edu/~summer/precollege/summer-academy/>

### **University of Virginia - UVA Advance Summer College Experience**

A four-week summer residential program for highly-motivated, rising high school juniors and seniors. Each student takes two undergraduate classes, participates in a series of academic prep workshops and engages in social activities. For more information visit <https://summer.virginia.edu/uva-advance>

### **Vassar & New York Stage & Film's Powerhouse Apprentice Training Program**

Apprentice training program for rising seniors who are budding actors, writers, and directors. For more information go to <http://powerhouse.vassar.edu/apprentices/>

### **Washington University in St. Louis High School Summer Scholars Program**

Take college level courses in the languages, arts, sciences, humanities, and social sciences at Washington University in St. Louis. Earn full college credit transferable to most accredited colleges and universities while living with high school students from around the country and around the world and enjoying cultural and social opportunities in St. Louis. Visit the website at <https://precollege.wustl.edu/programs>

### **Auburn Engineering Summer Camp**

The Samuel Ginn College of Engineering wants to expose high school students to the world of engineering through our summer camps. The camps will be conducted by faculty, staff and students from the college who will ensure students receive a broad overview of the engineering profession by participating in a number of hands-on activities. For rising 12<sup>th</sup> graders. For more information visit <http://eng.auburn.edu/outreach/k-12/engineering-summer-camp/index.html>

## INTERNSHIPS

### **National Institutes of Health Summer Internship Program in Biomedical Research**

The National Institutes of Health Internship Program offers high school students an opportunity to perform biomedical research at the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI). Students work in the lab alongside some of the world's most accomplished scientists. Students earn a monthly stipend which varies according to the individual's educational level. Students must be at least 17 years of age and either citizens or permanent residents of the United States. <https://www.training.nih.gov/programs/hs-sip>

### **Smithsonian Opportunities for Research and Study**

The Smithsonian offers a variety of summer internships for students ages 16 and older. Visit the website at <http://intern.si.edu> for a full list of opportunities and application deadlines.

## LEADERSHIP

### **Global Scholar**

An intensive global leadership program for high school students who are eager to craft a more peaceful and just world. Program includes policy seminars with experts, social change and leadership clinics, exploring global careers and crafting a project or campaign to launch at home. For more information visit <http://www.globalscholar.org/>

### **Global Leadership Adventures**

Global Leadership Adventures operates summer volunteer programs for high school students, exclusively in authentic, non-tourist communities. Through community service, teens will develop meaningful relationships with local people and make a significant impact. For more information visit: <https://www.experiencegla.com/>

### **High Mountain Institute**

An opportunity for students to combine wilderness, community and academic pursuits in the unique setting of Leadville, Colorado. There is an exploration of sense of place, leadership and environmental ethics. More information at <https://hminet.org/hmi-summer-term/>

### **National Student Leadership Conference**

The National Student Leadership Conference provides students with the opportunity to experience life on a college campus; develop essential leadership skills; and explore a future career through exciting simulations, exclusive site visits and interactive meetings with renowned leaders in their chosen field. For more information: <https://www.nslcleaders.org/about-summer-youth-programs/>

### **NOLS - National Outdoor Leadership School**

NOLS courses teach wilderness and leadership skills on expeditions and in classrooms. You will apply these skills to challenges in a supportive learning culture with high expectations. You'll have the opportunity for a positive, transformational experience and leave your course inspired and empowered to act. More information at: <https://www.nols.edu/en/>

### **Overland Summer**

Offering introductory, biking, hiking, leadership, language, writing, service and field studies programs domestically and abroad for students in 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. For more information visit <http://overlandsummers.com/>

## **SERVICE**

### **American Youth Understanding Diabetes Abroad (AYUDA)**

This non-profit organization was established with the vision that youth can serve as agents of change in diabetes communities around the globe. For more information visit <https://www.ayudavolunteer.org/volunteering>

### **Student Conservation Association**

Join an SCA Crew and plug yourself into SCA's nationwide network of young conservationists – thousands of students who are as passionate as you are about preserving wildlands, protecting nature in urban areas, and keeping the planet green. SCA offers a range of programs for youth ages 15 – 19. Visit the website at <https://www.thesca.org/serve/choosing-program-thats-right-you>

## **STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Abbey Road Programs**

Offering cultural immersion programs in France, Spain and Italy as well as academic tours of Europe that highlight the history of western civilization and the foundations of modern civilization. Visit: <http://www.goabbeyroad.com/>

### **ActionQuest and Lifeworks**

ActionQuest and Lifeworks offer international educational opportunities for teenagers, with a strong emphasis on building self-reliance as well as personal and social responsibility. Summer adventure camps for teens include sailing camps, scuba camps, community service camps, and marine biology camps. More information can be found at [www.actionquest.com](http://www.actionquest.com).

### **American Field Service**

Offer opportunities for study in fifty countries around the globe. Summer sessions last from two to eight weeks. For more information visit: [www.afsusa.org/study-abroad/programs](http://www.afsusa.org/study-abroad/programs)

### **Classical Summer Program**

Ann Renzy Maclean, Potomac alumna, class of '86, and former head of the Alumni Governing Council, directs a summer study opportunity in Italy. The program will resume in summer 2020. Please see website for details [www.classicalsummer.org](http://www.classicalsummer.org)

### **Hillsdale College High School Summer Study and Travel Programs**

Programs abroad include The Land and Literature of England (travel to England), Sir Winston Churchill and World War II (travel to England and France), Western Civilization (travel to Italy). An additional domestic program, The Roots and History of American Liberty, is offered in D.C., Philadelphia and Gettysburg. All programs are for college credit. For more information visit <http://hillsdale.edu/admissions/high-school>

### **Oxbridge Academic Programs**

Summer programs at Oxford, Cambridge, and St. Andrews in the UK. Programs are also available in Barcelona, Salamanca, Paris, Montpellier, New York City, Boston and Los Angeles. Open to students in grades 10-12 from around the world. Imaginative teaching, experiential learning and cultural enrichment are the founding principles. Online information is available at [www.oxbridgeprograms.com](http://www.oxbridgeprograms.com)

### **Projects Abroad**

Projects Abroad offers a number of two and four-week international service projects and internships in a variety of countries for students aged 16 - 19. Visit the website, [www.projects-abroad.org](http://www.projects-abroad.org), for more information.

### **Putney Pre-College**

Based on campuses in cities around the world, Putney programs give a taste of college in a safe and structured environment. For more information visit <http://goputney.com/>

### **Spanish Learning Abroad**

Spanish Learning Abroad offers an immersion program in Spain for 9th-12th graders. Students will live in with a homestay family in the Seville area, receive Spanish language instruction, and participate in cultural activities and tours. This program is run by Daniel Shannon, Upper School Spanish teacher. More information can be found at <http://spanishlearningabroad.com/index.html>

### **SAI**

SAI's High School Program gives students the opportunity to experience the vitality and excitement of european culture in Italy, Spain, or France. More information can be found at [www.saiprograms.com](http://www.saiprograms.com)

### **SYA High School Study Abroad and Homestay**

Five-week summer programs for high school students who are dedicated to dramatically improving their language proficiency in France, Italy, and Spain. Students will live with carefully selected and caring host families and participate in numerous extracurricular opportunities. Visit <https://www.sya.org/programs/summer>

### **Where There Be Dragons**

Study abroad opportunities in Asia, Latin America, or West Africa for the summer, a semester abroad, or a gap year. Students stay in simple dwellings with families and participate in a variety of programs – hiking trips, service work, and meetings and internships with artists, musicians, philosophers, authors, diplomats, and traditional healers. For more information go to [www.wheretherebedragons.com](http://www.wheretherebedragons.com)

## CAMPS & ADVENTURE EXPERIENCES

### **Acadia Institute of Oceanography**

The Advanced Marine Science Camp Program is for students aged 15 – 19 who have completed one year of high school science. The two-week session offers campers the chance to explore collegiate options and prepare reports and analysis of their field work. For more information go to [www.acadiainstitute.com](http://www.acadiainstitute.com)

### **Appalachian Mountain Club Wilderness Adventures**

We offer exciting, rewarding outdoor adventure education for youth ages 12-18 ranging in length from 5-20 days. Teen Wilderness Adventures combine one or more outdoor activities--like hiking, rock climbing, backpacking, kayaking, canoeing, rafting, --with spectacular destinations. Group size on our programs ranges from 6 to 10, and each of our trips has at least two instructors at all times. Teen Wilderness Adventures participants learn valuable wilderness skills and develop essential life skills. This unique combination fosters an appreciation for the environment, develops self-esteem, instills a spirit of adventure, and promotes teamwork, friendship, and a sense of community through memorable wilderness experiences. For more information:

<https://www.outdoors.org/outdoor-activities/teens/teen-wilderness-adventure>

### **Audubon Naturalist Society Nature Camps**

High school camps include advanced backpacking and advanced mountain outpost. There is also a Teen Naturalist training program. All camps are designed to foster environmental awareness and expand natural and cultural knowledge. For more information go to

<http://www.audubonnaturalist.org>

### **Broadreach**

A lot of incredible stuff happens while you're having fun on a Broadreach program. You'll build lifelong friendships, for a start. And come home with some of the best stories of your life. But what makes Broadreach really special are the things you'll learn and the changes you'll see in yourself. Whether you choose a program that offers college credit or one where you earn scuba and sailing certifications, you'll gain valuable skills and knowledge that will open the doorway to future opportunities for global exploration, academic pursuits or even a career path. You'll develop confidence in your abilities and a desire to push yourself further. And you'll understand more about the world around you and be inspired to make your place in it.

<https://www.gobroadreach.com/summer-programs-for-high-school-students.asp>

### **Chewonki Summer Camp**

Chewonki celebrates the power of unplugging from ordinary life and plunging into the rivers, lakes, mountains, woods, and coastline of Maine and eastern Canada. Find out what's out there-and what's inside of you. Develop your leadership skills. Be part of a small community where you belong and take responsibility for success. If you're looking for challenge, friendship, and a new understanding of yourself and the world, we want to take you outside. For more information: <https://chewonki.org/summer/>

### **Farm & Wilderness Camps**

Offering two camps for teens in Vermont – Tamarack Farm and Questers. Tamarack Farms creates a safe place where teenagers venture into healthy, responsible, purposeful lives through awareness of themselves and their place in community. Questers is for young adults looking for extended wilderness experience and leadership opportunities. For more information, <https://farmandwilderness.org/>

### **Nature Camp in the George Washington National Forest, Rockbridge County, Virginia**

Nature Camp is a private, non-profit, residential, co-ed summer camp specializing in natural history and environmental science education, one of the oldest of its kind in the country. Since 1942 Nature Camp has sought to train a corps of interested, knowledgeable youth, 5th - 12th grades, to conserve and protect the environment and to become wise stewards of the earth's natural resources. More information is available at <http://www.naturecamp.net/>

### **Odyssey Teen Camp**

Five week camp located an hour and a half from NYC which creates a loving, non-judgemental environment where teenagers can relax, make great friendships, and feel safe enough to try new things. Over 50 activities offered daily. For more information visit <http://www.odysseysteencamp.com/>

### **Rustic Pathways**

At Rustic Pathways, we work at the intersection of education, travel, and philanthropy. Through our programs we facilitate life-changing educational experiences for students and use travel and philanthropy as a means to achieve sustainable development in the places we visit. We believe that by maintaining clear focus on each of these goals we are not only able to provide the most transformative experience for our students, but are also able to make a positive impact on the communities in which we work. For more information: <https://rusticpathways.com/programs/>

### **Traveling Players Ensemble**

Providing intensive, classical theatre training to small troupes of teen actors who are carefully guided by professional theatre artists to perform in outdoor settings. Theatre camps including High School Ensemble, Commedia Troupe and Traveling Troupe for current 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders. For more information visit <http://www.travelingplayers.org/summer-camp/>

### **Whale Camp**

Based on Grand Manan Island located between Maine and Nova Scotia in the Bay of Fundy. Students ages 10 to 17 enjoy guided discoveries in age appropriate teams. Whale Camp is an opportunity to get an up close look at Marine animals and to learn about them and their world. Go to [www.whalecamp.com](http://www.whalecamp.com)