Proposing a Summer Course: An Information Session for Summer 2024

Summer Session Office
The College
Why teach during the summer?

- Expand your teaching experience
- Experiment pedagogically
- Earn extra service income (if on a 9-month appointment and otherwise eligible)
Who takes Summer Quarter and September Term courses?

• College students
• Precollege students
• Visiting undergraduates
• Graduate students
Summer Quarter Undergraduate Courses

Open to College students (including incoming first-years in some cases), visiting undergrads, and select rising high school seniors

Taught online (taught in person if pedagogically necessary)

Core / General Education or major/minor requirements
- Especially if these are oversubscribed during the rest of the year

3, 5, or 8 weeks long (always at least 27 total contact hours)
- Courses meet for different sessions June 10 – August 16, 2024 (no classes June 19 and July 4)

Consider evening meeting times for students with internships or jobs
2024 will be the third year the College has an official September Term. The response from students has been enthusiastic, with the number of courses offered more than doubling from the first to the second year!
Summer Session Precollege Courses

Designed specifically for high school students ready to tackle undergraduate-level work

- Global student body, vetted by College Admissions
- Officially enrolled, receive letter grade
- Labs, field trips, guest lectures, group projects

Mostly in-person, with a few online or hybrid courses

- In-person classes meet 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with lunch break 11:30 am to 1 pm
- Online classes meet morning or evening

3-week in-person, 3-week hybrid, or 5-week online format

- In-person: Monday, June 17 – Friday, July 5 (no class June 19 or July 4) OR Wednesday, July 10 – Friday, July 26
- Hybrid: Wednesday, July 10 – Friday, July 26 (July 10-19 online, July 22-26 in-person)
- Online: Wednesday, July 10 – Friday, August 9
Precollege Student Experience

• Live on campus with a dedicated residential staff who provide oversight, support, and activities
• Admissions Academy
• Only one course – yours!

“I find the students to be the most appealing aspect of the course. They are very eager to learn and work hard and no complaints if the course is challenging. They want the challenge.”

– David Reid (Physics)
What are we looking for?

- Undergrad: degree requirements (Core or major/minor); springboards and special opportunities
- Precollege: rigorous, active learning experiences that showcase the strengths of the College
Support for all instructors and courses

**Summer Session Office**
- TA hiring
- Guest speaker payments
- Field trip logistics
- Precollege student advising
- Liaison to Registrar’s Office

**Other Resources**
- Academic Technologies
- Libraries (course reserve)
- TechBar
- UChicago Bookstore and Seminary Coop Bookstore
How to Submit a Proposal

Visit Summer 2024 Course Proposal webpage

View 2023 course offerings at summer.uchicago.edu

Submit online Summer 2024 Course Proposal Form

Proposals due Friday, October 20, 2023

Decision notification in November

https://college.uchicago.edu/summer-session/summer-course-proposals
Contact Us

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