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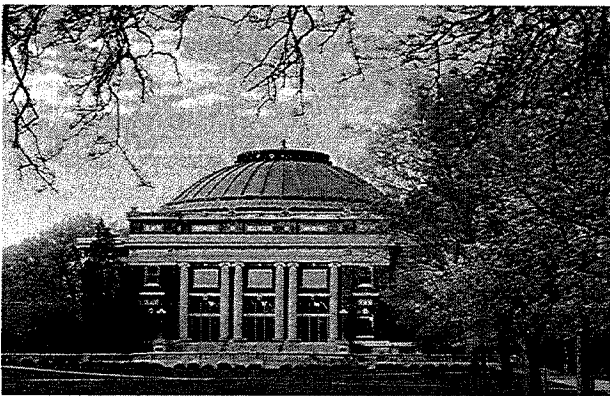


Future Scholars Institute

Tentative Dates: July 13-August 2, 2015

The Future Scholars Institute (FSI) is an academic summer program designed for international undergraduate students hosted by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign College of Education. Designed specifically for students from countries around the world, FSI provides a supportive learning environment that allows students to enhance their English communication skills and learn more about academic and social aspects of American universities. This experience is especially beneficial for students interested in applying for graduate admission to top universities in the United States.

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is located in the twin cities of Urbana and Champaign. Illinois is member of America's prestigious Big Ten Conference and is one of the world's top universities. The University of Illinois has more than 150 undergraduate, graduate and professional programs, including highly ranking programs in engineering, business, computer science and education. The majority of FSI will take place in the Urbana-Champaign community, and the program will also include visits to Chicago and other top universities in the area. We want to design Future Scholars Institute to the needs of your students—specific dates, classes offered, group flight with Illinois staff, etc.



Academic Curriculum

Classes begin online before students arrive on the University of Illinois campus (8 hours). Students complete the majority of classroom hours on campus and then finish their classroom hours online after they have returned home (8 hours). During FSI, students will participate in lectures, seminars, and discussion groups about the following topics:

- Advanced Academic Writing
- Social Science Research
- Professional Communication
- Higher Education in the US
- Graduate School Application Process
- Expectations of Graduate Students
- Research & Publications
- Career Options Post Graduate School

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Cultural Excursions and Enrichment Activities

Students visit the campuses of the University of Chicago and Northwestern Universities. They also visit Springfield, Illinois' state capital, an Amish community, and Navy Pier, Michigan Avenue, Willis Tower and other Chicago attractions. Daily enrichment activities include volleyball, swimming, badminton, table tennis, jogging and other sports. Students can also participate in bowling, mini golf, movie nights and visits to parks.

Accommodation and Meals

While in Urbana-Champaign, students will live in a shared-room in the campus residence halls (dorms). While in Chicago, students will stay in a hotel room with another FSI student of the same gender. All meals are provided either in the residence halls or restaurants in the campus community.

Visa Arrangements

Guidance will be provided for students as they apply for the USA visa.

Tentative Itinerary

Monday, July 6	-Arrive at Chicago O'Hare Airport -Drive to Champaign -Check into residence hall
Tuesday, July 7	-Welcome to Illinois -Lecture 1 -Campus Tour -Recreational Facilities Tour -Explore downtown Champaign
Wednesday, July 8	-Library Tour -Lunch with International Programs and Scholars -Seminar 1 -Discussion 1
Thursday, July 9	Lecture 2 -Meet with Liberal Arts & Science faculty members -Seminar 2 -Discussion 2
Friday, July 10	-Discussion 3 -Seminar 3 -Tour of Engineering Campus -Explore downtown Urbana
Saturday, July 11	-Excursion to Springfield, Illinois -Lincoln Presidential Library & Lincoln Museum

	-State Capitol Building & Lincoln Home National Park
Sunday, July 12	-Shopping at Marketplace Mall -Independent Study Time
Monday, July 13	-Discussion 4 -Meet with Economics faculty members -Seminar 4
Tuesday, July 14	-Lecture 4 -Lunch with Education faculty members -Visit to Illinois Writing Center
Wednesday, July 15	-Lecture 5 -Seminar 5 -Session with Institutional Review Board
Thursday, July 16	-Meet with Political Science faculty -Discussion 5 -Session with Graduate College
Friday, July 17	-Lecture 6 -Seminar 6 -Discussion 6 -Picnic at Meadowbrook Park
Saturday, July 18	-Excursion to Amish Community -Shopping at Tuscola Outlet Mall
Sunday, July 19	-Picnic at Allerton Park with Education, Law, and Economics graduate students
Monday, July 20	-Lecture 7 -Lunch with Global Studies faculty -Seminar 7
Tuesday, July 21	-Discussion 7 -Tour of Chemistry Department -Visits to CITES Computing Center
Wednesday, July 22	-Lecture 8 -Seminar 8 -Discussion 8
Thursday, July 23	-Tour of Veterinary Sciences Facilities -Lecture 9 -Seminar 9
Friday, July 24	-Discussion 9 -Visit to McKinley Health Center -Session with Counseling Center
Saturday, July 25	-Drive to St. Louis, Missouri -Visit St. Louis Arch
Sunday, July 26	-Visit Hannibal, Missouri -Visit Mark Twain Boyhood Home, Museum, and Cave
Monday, July 27	-Lecture 10 -Seminar 10 -Discussion 10
Tuesday, July 28	-Session with Illinois Leadership Center

	-Final Presentations -Farewell Dinner
Wednesday, July 29	-Drive to Chicago -Visit University of Chicago, discussion with faculty -Visit Chinatown
Thursday, July 30	-Visit Northwestern University, discussion with faculty -Visit financial institution in Chicago -Visit Michigan Avenue and Navy Pier
Friday, July 31	-Visit Illinois Institute of Technology and Chicago-Kent College of Law -White Sox Baseball Game
Saturday, August 1	-Shopping at Fashion Outlet Mall
Sunday, August 2	-Visit Lincoln Park Zoo -Visit Art Institute of Chicago
Monday, August 3	-Check out of hotel and drive to airport -Depart Chicago O'Hare Airport

Program Fee

Please contact the Office of International Programs for details about the program fee and application:

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