It's that time of year again. School will be out soon and parents are starting to wonder what their kids will be doing during the summer.

Instead of having bored kids at home, consider signing them up for one of the many camps taking place at the UA this summer so they can learn something new while having fun at the same time.

Prices vary per camp and registration has already opened for some. Find details about the camps below. An asterisk indicates camps that offer discounts for UA employees.

**"A" Camp 2017 [1]**

Children ages 5-11 participate in themed camps where they play games, make crafts and take part in various activities all while exploring the UA campus and learning from guest speakers. Additionally, the popular Voyager program will continue throughout the summer, offering swim lessons along with chaperoned trips to local attractions such as Rocks & Ropes, Get Air Tucson, Reid Park Zoo, Color Me Mine and more.

**Application Deadline:** Varies by camp. Register through May 1 to receive $25 off every week you register your camper(s).

**Dates:** Varies by camp. Each themed camp runs five days. Sessions run from May 30-Aug. 4.

**Cost:** Varies by camp week and Voyager trip. Automatic sibling discount of 10 percent. Employees who register after May 1 will receive a 10 percent discount.

**Arizona Youth University [2]**

This camp offers opportunities for K-12 students to experience the UA and a variety of STEM activities. Camps include Robotics 101, NASA Engineering Design Workshop, Civil and Environmental Engineering Academy, Camp Scrubs, Bioengineering Bootcamp, SAT and ACT test prep courses, Worlds of Antiquity, Chinese Star, the Science of Language and Excell Tri Coaching Camp. Ages vary based on camp.

**Application Deadline:** Spots available until filled, or until the Wednesday before the camp starts.

**Dates:** Varies based on camp. Call 520-621-8223 for information about individual camps.

**Cost:** Varies by camp. Scholarships are available. UA employees can receive a 10 percent discount on select camps.

**Astronomy Camp 2017 [3]**

Under the dark skies of Southern Arizona, students of all ages will explore space and the fields of science and engineering. Campers will become real astronomers, operating research-
class telescopes and technology, keeping nighttime hours, interacting with leading scientists, interpreting their own observations and investigating their own questions while having fun.

**Application Deadline:** Spots open until filled.

**Dates:** Varies by camp. All camps run from April 21-Oct. 22.

**Cost:** Varies by camp. Click [here](#) for more information.

**CAMP Architecture**

Students interested in the field of architecture will work with students in the UA College of Architecture, Planning and Landscape Architecture and get a glimpse of what it's like to be an architect. Campers in grades six to 12 will learn to draw by hand and on the computer, construct models in the CAPLA Materials Lab, test structural models and learn about sustainability and careers in the design field. Through a series of orchestrated workshops, campers will acquire skills unavailable outside a college setting, and they will present these skills to parents during a special reception on the last day of camp.

**Application Deadline:** Spots available until filled. Sessions limited to 25 participants.

**Dates:** Sixth- through eighth-graders: first session is June 5-9 and second session is June 19-23. Ninth- through 12th-graders: first session is June 12-16 and second session is June 26-30.

**Cost:** $395. Lunch not included in cost.

**David Rubio Volleyball Camps and Clinics**

UA women's volleyball head coach David Rubio will personally direct a variety of camps for kids 7-18 who are looking to begin volleyball or improve their bumping, setting and spiking skills. Seven different camps and clinics will be offered throughout the summer, including: mini camp for beginners, serve and pass clinic for all players regardless of level, intermediate and advanced all-skills camp, position camp, high school team camp, coaches clinic and elite camp for upper-level players.

**Application Deadline:** Varies by camp.

**Dates:** May 30-July 19. Lengths of camps vary.

**Cost:** Varies by camp. Fees include instruction, T-shirt and meals. Additional costs applied for lodging if necessary. Employees can receive a 10 percent discount. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Environmental Bootcamp 2017**

High school students will explore the interconnection between human behavior and our natural environment. Participants will get hands-on experience during laboratory experiments and will take field trips and tours of environmental hot spots and laboratories. Students also will investigate local environmental issues. This camp is hosted by the Southwest Environmental Health Sciences Center, which provides opportunities for those interested in exploring the STEM fields - science, technology, engineering and math.

**Application Deadline:** First-come, first-served.

**Dates:** June 5-15

**Cost:** $325. Fees include all activities and a T-shirt (bring your own lunch). Scholarships are available.
Journey: Opportunities for Leaders of Tomorrow

J.O.L.T. is an Arizona Teen Leadership Camp that promotes personal development, team building and self-confidence. Campers aged 14 and older will select a camp involvement committee to serve on and learn conflict resolution skills while building relationship skills to help create lifelong friendships. This camp is hosted by UA Cooperative Extension. Campers will stay at Camp Shadow Pines in Heber, Arizona.

Application deadline: First-come, first-served.
Dates: June 5-9
Cost: $200 early-bird registration (before April 15); $245 regular registration (April 15-May 15); $300 late registration (after May 15); Those who wish to chaperone can pay $110 for the adult early-bird registration or $245 for the regular adult registration.

Laurel Clark Earth Camp

Students in grades eight and nine can explore the great outdoors and see what it's like to be a botanist, zoologist or geologist. They will also learn about the natural world and develop a passion to preserve and protect it. Participants will camp for two nights on Mount Lemmon, spend time at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, and explore the desert and lakes in surrounding Tucson areas. Campers will also scuba dive at a PADI dive shop on the final day of camp.

Application Deadline: First-come, first-served.
Dates: June 12-16
Cost: $325 for Desert Museum members; $375 for nonmembers.

Rich Rodriguez Football Camps

Football players can improve their skills during four camps offered by Arizona football staff and head coach Rich Rodriguez. Camps include: Prospect Camp for high school students and junior college prospects; 7-on-7 Passing Camp and "Big Man Challenge" for high school students; Junior Wildcat Camp for grades three through eight; and Kicking Camp for high school and middle school students.

Application Deadline: First-come, first-served.
Dates: June 2, 3, 11 and July 29
Cost: $35 for Prospect Camp and Junior Wildcat Camp; $145 early-bird registration for Kicking Camp (before June 30) and $195 after June 30; costs vary for 7-on-7 Passing Camp and "Big Man Challenge."

Sean Miller Basketball Camp

Boys entering second through eighth grade can participate in this exciting week of competition and skill instruction with Arizona men's basketball coaching staff. Campers will improve their basketball skills while playing in McKale Memorial Center, Richard Jefferson Gymnasium and the Student Recreation Center. Campers can also get autographs on the last day of camp from players and coaches.

Application Deadline: Spots available until filled. Limited to first 350 campers.
Dates: First session is June 12-16; second session is June 19-23.
Cost:
$275 for one camp session; $500 for both camp sessions. Fees include instruction and camp T-shirt. Lunch not included. Meal plan punch cards can be purchased for $10.

**Summer Engineering Academy** [16]

Students passionate about engineering and science can design a summer to remember during this weeklong residential camp. Campers will explore engineering careers, get to know the UA, make lifelong friendships, work on design projects with UA professors and students, use facilities such as wind tunnels and materials processing labs, live in a residence hall and enjoy fun evening activities. Interdisciplinary programs are offered for grades nine through 12, and major-specific programs are offered for students in grades 11 and 12.

**Application Deadline:** First week in May.
**Dates:** Vary based on program. Interdisciplinary programs run June 4-23; major-specific programs run June 25-July 28.
**Cost:** $650 plus $15 nonrefundable application fee for Interdisciplinary program; $750 plus $15 nonrefundable application fee for major-specific program. Need-based scholarships available.

**Summer Science Academy** [17]

Campers will practice science "under-the-glass" of the Biosphere 2 research facility while working side by side with Biosphere 2 researchers. Campers will also learn about earth and ecosystem sciences, collaboration and leadership in the five unique biomes of the Biosphere.

**Application Deadline:** First-come, first-served.
**Dates:** July 9-15 for grades seven to nine; July 16-22 for grades nine through 12.
**Cost:** $1,895 if balance paid in full by March 25; $1,995 if balance paid in full by April 25; $2,095 if balance paid in full by May 25; $2,195 if balance paid in full by June 25; $2,395 if balance paid after June 25. $250 deposit required to reserve spot (deposit applied toward registration).

**Swim Camp** [18]*

Swimmers 10-18 can improve their skills at one of the premier aquatic centers in the nation, Hillenbrand Aquatic Center. With a combination of personalized filming, extensive pool sessions and highly experienced Division I coaches, swimmers will refine their stroke technique and have fun while doing it. Campers will also participate in fun evening social activities and listen to guest speakers throughout the week. The camp offers day and overnight camps, along with extended day camps. This year the camp is offering an optional extra night and day that includes dynamic weight and dryland training.

**Application Deadline:** Spots available until filled.
**Dates:** First session is June 4-8; second session is June 11-15.
**Cost:** $495 for day camp; $625 for overnight option. Additional $155 for extra night and day dryland training session. A 10 percent employee discount is available by calling 1-800-645-3226.

**Tabitha Yim's Gymnastics Camps and Clinics** [19]

Girls ages 6-12 will rotate between vault, bars, beam, tumbling, tumble track and dance during this summer camp. The UA gymnastics team and coaching staff will teach the most current
techniques and proper progressions in the Mary Roby Gymnastics Training Center. Additionally, gymnasts ages 12-18 can train with the Arizona gymnastics staff during the two-day High Performance Clinic.

**Application Deadline:** First-come, first-served.
**Dates:** First session is July 6-8; second session is July 10-12; High Performance Clinic is Aug. 5-6.
**Cost:** $375 for summer camp; $250 for High Performance Clinic. Fees include instruction, T-shirt, insurance and lunch supervised by staff.

**TechDivas & DigiDudes Technology Programs**

Since 2005, the Eller College of Management has offered technology camps for girls and boys in grades five through eight. This year, the program will touch on four topics: cybersecurity, software engineering, 2-D and 3-D graphics, and digital marketing. The camps will focus on technical skills but also will include important lessons like teamwork, presentation, design, strategy and more. The program also will cover internet safety, social media and other topics.

**Application Deadline:** Varies by camp.
**Dates:** Camp 1: Cyber Security and Social Media is May 29- June 2; Camp 2: Software Development is June 5-9; Camp 3: 2D and 3D Graphics is June 12-16; Camp 4: Wilbur's Wonderfully Weird Tech is June 19-23.
**Cost:** $350 for each weeklong camp or all four camps at a discounted price of $1,000 (available until May 24).

**Teen English Program**

Students ages 13-17 will improve their English, develop new friendships and find joy in learning a second language during this three-week program at the UA. Students will learn and use English in classes taught Monday through Friday by enthusiastic English as a Second Language teachers. On the weekends, students will go on recreational and cultural excursions in and around the Tucson area to improve their English in real-world settings. Students have the option to live on campus during the program.

**Application Deadline:** June 12, 5 p.m.
**Dates:** July 12-Aug. 4
**Cost:** $2,671.25 with housing; $1,576.25 without housing; 10 percent discount if paid by June 12. Employees can receive a 10 percent discount.

**Tony Amato Soccer Camps**

Soccer stars ages 5-18 will expand their skills and knowledge during four unique summer camps with UA soccer head coach Tony Amato and the rest of the coaching staff. Camps encompass a variety of skill levels. Camps include Wildcat Elite Evening Camp for girls ages 8-17, Wildcat Youth Camp for boys and girls ages 5-7 of all skill levels, Wildcat Striker/Goalkeeper Camp for boys and girls ages 8-17, and Wildcat College Prep Residential Camp for girls in grades eight to 12 and junior college who wish to improve competitively and learn about soccer-related topics beyond the field, such as nutrition and sports psychology.

**Application Deadline:** First-come, first-served.
**Dates:** Wildcat Elite Evening Camp is June 5-8; Wildcat Striker/Goalkeeper Camp is June 12-15; Wildcat Youth Camp is June 12-15; Wildcat College Prep Residential Camp is July 7-9.
**Cost:**
Wildcat Elite Evening Camp $195; Wildcat Striker/Goalkeeper Camp $165; Wildcat Youth Camp $55; Wildcat College Prep Residential Camp $270 with on-campus housing, or $210 without.

**Toxic Detectives 2017 Summer Camp** [23]

In this five-day camp, students entering grades six through eight will become "toxic detectives" as they make real-world connections to toxicology and the environment. Campers will explore the UA campus and biomedical laboratories, meet with UA faculty and students, create information posters, perform exciting experiments and more. Campers also will learn about environmental health topics and the effects of toxins. This camp is hosted by the **Southwest Environmental Health Sciences Center** [9].

**Application Deadline:** First-come, first-served.

**Dates:** June 26-30

**Cost:** $225. Fees include all activities and a T-shirt (bring your own lunch). Scholarships are available.

**Tucson Village Farm Summer Farm Camps** [24]

Nine different camps are offered by the Tucson Village Farm, a working urban farm operated by UA Cooperative Extension. Children ages 5-18 with all levels of experience can learn all they need to know about farming, canning, carpentry and more. Sprouts Camp offers children the chance to help out around the farm completing simple chores, where the 4-H Service Learning Camp will have campers working on projects to learn valuable skills. Several other camps also will be available.

**Application Deadline:** First-come, first served.

**Dates:** 4-H Service Learning Camp is May 30-June 2; Sprouts Camp is May 30-June 2; First Farmers is June 5-9; Framing on the Farm is June 12-16; the Urban Homesteader Workshop Series is June 12-16; Adventure Camp is June 19-23; Farm Flay-vaahs! is June 26-30; The Real Work: Agriculture and Creative Writing is July 31-Aug. 4.

**Cost:** Varies by camp. Click [here](https://uaatwork.arizona.edu/lqp/register-2017-summer-camps-now) for more info.

**UA Fusion Camp** [25]

Join Flandrau Science Center & Planetarium for six weeks of themed camps infused with scientific exploration, literacy, creative arts and fitness. Children in kindergarten through sixth grade will experience a unique hands-on approach to learning. Camp themes include Planet Explorers, the Jungle Book, Under the Sea, Slimy Science and many more.

**Application Deadline:** First-come, first-served.

**Dates:** June 5-July 14

**Cost:** $250 per week; exception for the week of July Fourth, when there will be a three-day camp for $150. Flandrau members receive a 10 percent discount.

*Is your department hosting a summer youth program that's not listed here? Send us the information ([amywilliams@email.arizona.edu](mailto:amywilliams@email.arizona.edu)) and we'll add it to the list.*

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