Yale Summer Session

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Experience Yale This Summer.

Summer Courses & Programs for International Students

Note from the Dean

Each summer, Yale Summer Session brings together outstanding faculty and talented students in exciting courses and programs across the academic disciplines.

Whether on Yale's historic campus in New Haven, Connecticut, or in the virtual classrooms for our dozens of online seminars and lectures, Yale Summer Session students join Yale's vibrant intellectual community and engage with Yale College and visiting students from around the world. In the Yale College tradition, our in-person and online courses are rigorous and intensive, challenging students to expand their knowledge, refine their skills, and investigate cutting-edge areas of scholarly inquiry.

Students who study on campus may also join our dynamic residential community, living and socializing in one of Yale's residential colleges. With a staff of Yale College alumni and students, we offer a wide range of activities, from field trips and study breaks to sports and game nights, all designed to help students have fun, explore the Yale campus and New Haven, and build connections.

If you are motivated, curious, and a bit adventurous, you will find students here who share your passion for learning and intellectual growth. We invite you to apply and experience Yale for yourself.

Sincerely,

ALEXANDER ROSAS

Dean of International and Summer Programs Yale College



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What Do International Students Say About Yale Summer Session?



I recommend checking out Yale's historic sites, such as the Yale University Art Gallery and the Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library.

- Jaza



(YSS) offers a unique opportunity to engage with some of the best professors globally.

- Junjie



I've made friendships with people from all over the world.

- Heri



I had such a positive experience! Not only did I learn so many new things in class that I would not be able to learn elsewhere, but I also had many memorable fun times with friends.

-Hefina



By working on our cases and getting feedback from the professor, we were able to learn more about the U.S. court system.

- Sooyeon, Law Seminar



A really cool thing about my Human Osteology class is that every student gets to take home their own human skeleton kit, so I can study the bones from the comfort of my dorm room.

- Xiaoyu (Joy)

About the Academics: Real Courses. Real Yale Colleagues. Real Credit.

The campus may be warm and sunny, but there is nothing light about the work!

You'll be in class with Yale students, visiting students from across the United States, and international students like yourself.

You'll study with world-class instructors, taking the same curriculum as during the regular academic year — with one exception. Yale Summer Session courses are compressed from 13 weeks into an intensive five-week session.

You'll take two courses. Choose from around 150 offerings in science, mathematics, humanities, social sciences, the arts, and engineering!

You can choose from either of two five-week sessions:

SESSION A:

May 26 - June 27 - Apply by March 31, 2025.

SESSION B:

July 30 - August 1 - Apply by May 5, 2025.

Apply early to get your first choice of courses!

Successful completion of Yale Summer Session courses will earn you full college credit from Yale.

Learn more at summer.yale.edu/courses.

What Do I Need to Apply?

Because these are regular Yale courses, you must be able to express yourself fluently in spoken and written English. If you are not a native English-speaker or have not had at least two years of education where English is the medium of instruction, Yale Summer Session requires you to submit English proficiency test scores in your online application. If you need to strengthen your English skills, consider our English Language Institute.

For more complete application requirements visit summer.yale.edu/apply/visiting-international-students.

The English Language Institute

Yale's English Language Institute is designed to help you prepare for an academic or professional career. It is a non-credit program.

You will live and take classes on Yale's historic campus and use the attractions of New Haven to increase your confidence in every day spoken English.

We offer three programs at different academic levels. Proof of English proficiency is not required for the ELI programs. Successful students who participate in the ELI programs will earn a Certificate of Participation.



Intensive English Program

is for college students
who want to improve
their English for academic
purposes. This program
helps develop spoken
fluency and confidence
required for class
participation and writing
skills for academic papers.



Postgraduate Program

is for students who are planning to attend graduate school in the United States or for mature students who want to study graduate-level English and communication in a serious academic setting.



University Preparation Program

is for international high school students, ages 16+, with strong English skills, who want to prepare for undergraduate study at an American university.

We offer two programs to prepare professionals in the specific terminologies of Law and Business. Students in the Law and Business Seminars are expected to have strong general English language skills.



Law Seminar

is a legal English program designed for both future LL.M. students and current legal practitioners. Courses focus on giving participants the language skills and knowledge of specific terminology required to be successful in an English-speaking legal environment.



Business Seminar

is for business students and working professionals who seek to enhance their communication skills in English, enhance cross-cultural interactions, and build knowledge about current issues in global business.

5 Things to Expect When You Spend the Summer in New Haven



Academics:
Students
Learn Through
Participation.

You'll take two courses, and it's likely that at least one will be "seminar" style. In a seminar, students gather around a table sharing their thoughts and reflecting together on material they have read beforehand. The professor guides the conversation, provides context, and leads the students to insights. On sunny days, class might be held outside! The schedule is intense because courses are only five weeks long, but you'll have lots of support and time to enjoy your summer.









Residential Life: The Real Yale Experience.

The residential colleges are the heart and soul of the Yale experience. You'll live, eat, study, make friends, and relax in dedicated living quarters with other summer students. You'll find a dining hall offering a wide range of dietary choices, a library for quiet study, and recreation and common rooms for snacks and games.

Members of our Summer Colleges team, comprised of current and former Yale students, live on campus with you to answer any questions. They also schedule study breaks, activities, and trips, including Broadway shows, summer carnivals, a Major League Baseball game, beach outings, and trivia nights!













Facilities: Art, architecture, and more.

Our campus has a wealth of resources. Explore the newly renovated Peabody Museum of Natural History. The Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscripts Library has treasures spanning the length and breadth of human civilization. The Yale Art Gallery is home to iconic art by Thomas Eakins, Winslow Homer, John Singer Sargent, Edward Hopper, Alexander Calder, Edgar Degas, Piet Mondrian, Pablo Picasso, Mark Rothko, and more. Cross the street to the Yale Center for British Art, which has the largest collection of British art outside of the United Kingdom.

Strolling the campus is an exploration of great architecture, from Collegiate Gothic to the works of Louis Kahn, I.M. Pei, Eero Saarinen, and Phillip Johnson. Even the gym is a masterpiece — Payne Whitney Gymnasium boasts 12 acres of indoor exercise space.















You'll make **friends** from around the world.

Yale Summer Session welcomes students from around the world, and we work hard to make sure you have lots of opportunities to make new friends and connections. We want this to be a summer you'll remember!









You'll eat pizza.

New Haven is home to dozens of pizza restaurants and has bragging rights to the best pizza in the country.











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