Xavier University of Louisiana  
Pre-Collegiate Summer Programs

Become part of a fun and exciting summer leadership team while sharing your enthusiasm for Xavier with the next generation of college students!!

Xavier University of Louisiana hosts a variety of summer opportunities for middle school and high school students to enrich their academic and social development in the world’s most fascinating city.

Students from around the country will pursue their passions in a rigorous, academic setting. With exciting programs ranging from science to math, students will have unique opportunities to explore an area of interest on a deeper level through in-class discussions, laboratory experiences and cultural explorations. As part of the learning experience at Xavier, students will enhance their high school career and get a jump start on their college life.

The Office of Summer Programs hires Group Leaders and Resident Mentors to support the instructors and serve as mentors to summer programs participants.

Group Leaders are critical to the overall success of the programs by providing daily in-class support and leadership, supervising students during activity periods, chaperoning students to events, mentoring and providing administrative support to the programs as needed.

Resident Mentors reside in the residence halls and coordinate evening and weekend activities for program participants. Working closely with the Coordinator and Program manager, they ensure students are welcome, safe, and follow the rules and guidelines during their stay on campus.

Overview of Pre-Collegiate Summer Programs

**MATHStar - June 2 – June 21, 2019**  
**Group Leaders (9:00 am – 4:30 pm)**
A unique and action based approach to Algebra where students will cover the following topics and more: Variables and Algebraic Expressions, Introduction to Equations, Advanced Work with Equations, Word Problems (Part I and II), Introduction to Inequalities, Intervals and Absolute Value, Polynomials, Graphing (Part I and II).

**BIOStar - June 9 – June 28, 2019**  
**Group Leaders (1:00 pm – 5:00 pm)**
A hands-on approach to high school biology where students will cover the following topics and more: Statistics, Graphs, Organic Molecules of Life, The Cell, Energy of Life, Energy Procurement: Photosynthesis and Cellular Respiration, Biological Terminology, Medical Terminology.

**CHEMStar - July 1 – July 19, 2019**  
**Group Leaders (1:00 pm – 5:00 pm)**
A problem-solving and inquiry based approach to high school chemistry where students will cover the following topics and more: Scientific Notation, Matter and Its Properties, Atoms, Formulas, and Equations, Ions and Equations, Electronic Structure and the Periodic Table, Graphing, Chemical Reactions and Acids and Bases (pH scale).
SOAR (Stress on Analytical Reasoning) - June 30 – July 19, 2019
Group Leaders (9:00 am – 5:00 pm)/Resident Mentors (Live In)
A 3-week residential program that prepares high school seniors in analytical reasoning and provides early exposure to college life and science and health careers. In addition to participating in thought provoking courses and laboratory practicums, participants will have the opportunity to explore the cultural richness of New Orleans through field trips and activities.

SuperScholar EXCEL - June 23 – July 12, 2019
Group Leaders (9:00 am – 5:00 pm)/Resident Mentors (Live In)
An intensive 3-week residential program that is geared toward high school seniors who are interested in pursuing college degrees in the arts, humanities, social sciences, and education. In addition to participating in thought provoking courses, participants will have the opportunity to explore the cultural richness of New Orleans through field trips and activities.

Minimum Requirements

- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- In Good Academic Standing
- Energetic and Cheerful
- Ability to work with program participants, parents, faculty, and staff
- Ability to work independently and in group settings
- Responsible
- Experience working with youth preferred, but not required.

Stipend and Benefits

- $12/hr.; up to 20 hours a week
- Group Leaders are enrolled in a meal plan for lunch
- Resident Mentors are enrolled in a meal plan for breakfast, lunch, and dinner

Application Process
Applications are available here. All applicants must also submit a resume’, recommendation from a Xavier University faculty or staff member, and a personal statement detailing why you are interested in serving as a Group Leader or Resident Mentor and why you would be a good fit for the program. Please send all supporting application material to summerprograms@xula.edu.

The Application deadline is February 21, 2019 by 5 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Todd Gitlin at tgitlin@xula.edu or stop by St. Joseph Hall, Suite 307.