The University of St Andrews pre-university Summer Academic Experience Courses are the only ones of their kind officially run by a Scottish university. The Summer Academic Experience Courses give you the opportunity to broaden your knowledge of your chosen academic subject in an intellectually stimulating environment and to experience university-level teaching and learning in the distinctive Scottish system. Unless otherwise noted, all courses include sessions designed to develop your academic writing, as well as research and presentation skills relevant to the academic subject being studied. You will also have the opportunity to meet with Admissions staff and to find out about application to UK universities.

The academic courses are further enhanced by extensive field trips and visits to places of cultural and historical interest.

Courses available this year:
- Arts and Social Sciences
- Biological and Earth Sciences
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- English Literature
- History
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Psychology
- Physiology
- Theology
- Zoology

How to Apply
Applications can be submitted online, and you will be asked to provide supporting documentation.

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Once you have received your offer of a place, a non-refundable deposit of £250 is payable in order to accept your offer and reserve your place.

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The Summer Academic Experience course allows you an introduction to the study of subjects in the Arts and Sciences at university level. The course will reflect contributed modules and workshops from our Schools of Art History, Philosophy, Anthropology & Film Studies, International Relations, Psychology & Neuroscience and Economics & Finance.

**Biological and Earth Sciences**

The Biological and Earth Sciences course provides an overview of current research, based at the Schools of Biology and Geography & Sustainable Development.

**Philosophy**

The Philosophy course introduces you to different philosophical perspectives and will allow for a hands-on experience of writing and research.

**Creative Writing**

The Creative Writing course will provide you with the opportunity to hone your writing skills, as well as growing your understanding of the craft of writing, so you will still have plenty of time after classes to enjoy your company.

**Psychology and Neuroscience**

You will have the opportunity to participate in a range of seminars and laboratory sessions, led by researchers from the School of Psychology & Neuroscience.

**Business, Management and Economics**

You will have the opportunity to participate in a range of seminars and laboratory sessions, led by researchers from the School of Management, Economics, and Entrepreneurship.

**Medicine**

The School of Medicine offers you an opportunity to explore the medical profession.

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