

July Experience

Need summer plans?

***Think July Experience@
Davidson College!***



July Experience is a pre-college summer enrichment program for rising high school juniors and seniors offered July 5 - 25, 2009. The program is sponsored by the Davidson College Department of Education and offers a preview of college life on one of the most beautiful residential campuses in the southeast.

Register to receive periodic updates on July Experience '09 for a chance to win a free t-shirt!

HIGHLIGHTS



July Experience Video

Want to see what happens at July Experience? This short video will give you taste of what's in store. [Download the latest version of RealPlayer.](#)



US National Whitewater Center

July Experience 2009 participants will spend a full day at the nearby US National Whitewater Center. Check out what they have to offer!

Courses

Students enroll in two courses representing two different subject areas selected from several liberal arts disciplines. Classes meet for 90 minute periods each week day with additional laboratory sessions in selected courses. Because the college reserves the right to cancel courses without sufficient enrollment, July Experience applicants must list alternate choices. To ensure small class sizes, students may be assigned second or third choices. Professors develop strong relationships with students and are available to meet them outside of class to enhance understanding or pursue additional interests.

July Experience courses carry no secondary school or college credit; however, a powerful summer academic experience can be a valuable addition to a college application and excellent preparation for college. Should a student apply to Davidson, academic performance in July Experience will not necessarily be a factor in the college's admission decision.

Students will receive certificates and their secondary schools will be notified of successfully completed courses. Coursework is graded on the following system - H (Honors), P (Pass) and F (Failure).

Co-Curricular Activities

July Experience students choose from a wide variety of recreational and social activities on campus. Campus sports facilities including pool, fitness center, basketball and tennis courts, and lakefront are available to participants. Water-skiing, team games, tournaments, dances and talent shows are organized by the Davidson College students who serve as Hall Counselors. Off-campus trips to cinemas, cultural events and museums are organized as available.

Of special note are these co-curricular activities:

Understanding the College Admission Process:

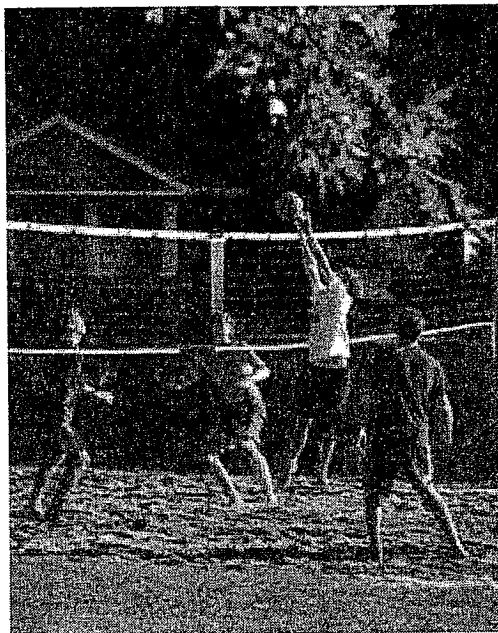
Davidson College Admissions officers meet with July Experience participants to help them understand the general college admission process and financial aid.

Developing Your Leadership Style: Leaders come in all styles and personalities. By participating in a half-day Davidson College Challenge Course, students:

- * Get to know one another better
- * Increase trust
- * Identify skills of members of the group
- * Develop an approach to problem solving
- * Expand communication skills
- * Improve creative thinking

Visiting Local Attractions: While activities vary from year-to-year, some of the attractions visited in the past years have been:

- [U.S. National Whitewater Center](#)
- [Carowinds](#) (local theme park)
- [Blumenthal Performing Arts Center](#)
- Local theaters
- [Discovery Place](#) (science museum)
- [Mint Museum of Arts and Crafts](#)



Campus Living

July Experience students live on single-sex corridors in a co-ed residence hall. All college buildings, including residence halls, are air-conditioned. Students take meals in the [Vall Commons](#) dining facility and have full access to the [E. H. Little Library](#). [The Alvarez College Union](#), [Baker Sports Complex](#) and nearby [Lake Campus](#) are centers for recreational and group activities.

Illness or accidents occurring during the program will be treated by a local Davidson physician. Students are covered with limited accident insurance.

Hall Counselors are upperclassmen chosen from the Davidson College student body on the basis of academic ability, sensitivity to others, maturity, skills and experience. Often, some of the Hall Counselors are July Experience alumni. They live in the residence halls and are assigned responsibility for ten July Experience students. Hall Counselors assist students in any way possible and are responsible for ensuring that students are aware of and abide by the rules of the program.

Application and Tuition

APPLICATION

July Experience is for rising high school juniors and seniors who are highly motivated, academically oriented and self-disciplined.

- The **application deadline is April 1**. Applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.
- Recommendations from the secondary school counselor and principal are to be mailed with the application.
- Please ask your counselor to include an official high school transcript with his/her recommendation form.
- Applications will be reviewed and acceptance letters emailed by the third week in April.
- If applying for scholarship, please refer to the Scholarship/Financial Aid section below for instruction.

Download a printable application (pdf)

TUITION

The total cost of the Davidson July Experience 2009 is \$3,250.00.

Fees include:

- Room & board
- Laundry once a week
- Activities and entrance fees, and program costs
- **Excludes** the cost of textbooks, course supply fees (if applicable), travel expenses, and personal spending money.

Deposits & Refunds:

- A non-refundable deposit of \$500 is due within 10 days of receipt of acceptance.
- Courses are assigned upon receipt of the deposit.
- The balance of the fee is due by May 27, 2009.
- There is no refund for early departure from the program.

SCHOLARSHIP/FINANCIAL AID

- Some scholarships may be available to students with **financial need**.
- Aid is awarded on the basis of need and academic achievement.
- Print on top of the July Experience application in **red ink** "Scholarship Application." All scholarship applications must have a completed financial aid request form attached.

