

SUMMER SPRINGBOARD
Look Inward. Go Upward.

UC Santa Barbara Program Infosheet

New student admissions for Summer 2027 are open.

2-Week Campus

Pick a 2-week pre-college course of your choice.

About

The University of California, Santa Barbara offers a beautiful and dynamic setting for academic exploration. Known as a a top-tier, R1-designated research university and collaborative campus environment, UCSB provides an inspiring backdrop for students to study, connect and grow. With ocean views, vibrant campus life, and a culture of curiosity and innovation, it's an ideal place for Summer Springboard students.

*__Athlete-Focused option__ available for students seeking daily training facilities.

Session Dates:

- Session 1: July 18 - July 30

Academic Courses:

- Business Management
- Communication & Media
- Fundamentals of Engineering
- Marine & Environmental Science
- Neuroscience & Behavioral Biology
- Physics & Quantum Computing

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Program Excursions Include:

- Downtown Santa Barbara's iconic State Street and Funk Zone
- Adventure Park - Ropes Course
- Bowling & Sunset
- Stearns Wharf Pier & Boardwalk
- Pool Day

Commuter students can purchase a weekend add-on to join these excursions

Tuition Information:

*Apply by November 30 to lock in the lowest prices of the year. Tuition increases on December 1.

Residential Students

- **Includes:** all meals, lodging, excursions, academic course, weekend excursions
- **Excludes**: optional airport pickup and drop off service (available for an additional fee)
- **Price**: $5,798*

Commuter Students

- **Includes:** lunch, academic course, excursions, programming from 9am to 5pm, Monday-Friday
- **Excludes:** lodging, breakfast, dinner, weekend excursions
  - Weekend excursions can be added on for $125 per day
- **Price**: $3,298*

Supplements:

- **Application fee**: Starting at $99 (mandatory, non-refundable)
- **Course Supplements**: $250 tuition extra (mandatory) for Marine Science & Ecology and Fundamentals of Engineering courses.
- **Tuition Protection Plan**: Allows for cancellation for any reason up until the day of the program. Click here for more info.

More info on Airport Transfer

More info on Unaccompanied Minor Service

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Student Life

Santa Barbara offers a perfect blend of natural beauty and vibrant local culture for students to explore. Students will participate in True You, a two-session group reflection about their SSB journey, personal goals and discoveries.

Lodging and Meals

Students will stay at Manzanita Village Residence Hall. Each building is equipped with a laundry room, a lounge, and a study room. Students will be assigned to double/triple rooms. Each floor has several bathrooms shared by 4-5 students.

Academics in Action

Afternoons at Summer Springboard bring learning to life through Academics in Action, a dynamic mix of academic excursions, guest speakers, instructor-led activities and independent study. Students will explore their interests beyond the classroom and apply new knowledge, hands-on.

College Readiness Workshops

All students choose and participate in two of the four offered workshops designed to engage youth with various skills for a successful transition to college. The 90-minute sessions cover Speaking with Confidence, Mastering Money, Developing Leadership and Prepping for College and Career.

Requirements

- For students entering grades 9-12
- A grade point average of 3.0 (or equivalent)

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