



girls who
code

LEARN TO CODE AND
CHANGE THE WORLD THIS SUMMER!

No experience required. Free to apply, free to attend,
and stipends for qualifying students!

Apply for Girls Who Code's FREE Summer Immersion Program

Don't let your insecurities stop you from doing what you love. Technology needs us. The world is missing our voices." -Zahraa Lopez, Girls Who Code Alumni and 2018 Summer Immersion Program Instructor

Make this summer unforgettable with our **FREE 7-week summer program**, where you'll learn how to use computer science to make a positive impact in your community while preparing for a career in tech! In the Summer Immersion Program, you'll learn about:



CAREERS

You'll meet inspiring female role models in the field and get an inside look at the tech world through guest speakers, workshops, fun field trips and more!

Your summer will be spent in classrooms hosted at the world's top companies, like Twitter, Amazon, AT&T, Warner Brothers, and Adobe.



SKILLS AND IMPACT

You'll learn to code through hands-on, real-world projects in art and storytelling, robotics, video games, websites, apps, and more. By the end of the summer, you'll create a final project that solves a real-world problem you care about -- combining your new coding skills with your passions to change the world.



SISTERHOOD

As an essential member of our Girls Who Code sisterhood, you'll be able to learn in a supportive, girls-only environment and make lifelong friendships that encourage you to be brave, take risks, and stand up for what matters to you.

APPLY NOW FOR SUMMER 2019
girlswhocode.com/sipapply

Early acceptance deadline is February 15, 2019. Application closes March 15, 2019.

* Stipends of up to \$1400 are available to cover transportation, living expenses, and more for qualified students

Frequently Asked Questions:

WHAT IS GIRLS WHO CODE?

Girls Who Code is a nonprofit that inspires, educates, and equips young women with computing skills to pursue 21st century careers. We believe that all girls are capable of making a positive impact on the world through computer science. We are leading the movement to close the gender gap in technology and change the image of what a programmer looks like.

WHAT IS THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

A 7-week introductory computer science course for current 10th and 11th graders (rising junior and senior girls). Each program is hosted within a tech or academic setting in the following cities between June–August. Program dates vary by region, but the exact program dates and locations can be found on the application.

- Atlanta, GA
- Austin, TX
- Bentonville, AR
- Boston, MA
- Charlotte, NC
- Chicago, IL
- Dallas, TX
- Fayetteville, AR
- Hoboken, NJ
- Houston, TX
- Irvine, CA
- Jersey City, NJ
- Los Angeles, CA
- Miami, FL
- Newark, NJ
- New York City, NY
- Philadelphia, PA
- Raritan, NJ
- San Francisco Bay Area, CA
- Seattle, WA
- Stamford, CT
- Washington DC
- Wilmington, DE

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

The Summer Immersion Program is an introductory program for girls who are new to computer science. (Sorry—girls who have taken AP Computer Science or other intermediate CS courses are ineligible.) To apply, you must be a rising junior or senior who resides in the United States, and you must be able to commit to the entire 7-week program. Girls Who Code serves all girls, especially those who:

- Are underrepresented in computer science and technology fields in terms of race, creed, or background
- Have little to no access to computer science in school
- Are Free and Reduced Lunch eligible
- Identify as female regardless of gender assignment at birth or legal recognition

WHEN IS THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM APPLICATION DUE?

You can apply online at www.girlswhocode.com/sipapply. Early acceptance applications are due **February 15, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. PST**, with the general application closing on **March 15, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. PST**.

HOW MUCH DOES THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM COST?

The Summer Immersion Program is **100% FREE to attend and lunch is provided** to students each day. We also provide a need-based **Summer Stipend** for students who qualify.

WHAT IS A SUMMER STIPEND?

The Summer Stipend offers financial support to help cover transportation and living costs for qualified students. It also supports students who might rely on a summer income. Household income information is required to apply. **Qualified recipients will receive a sum between \$300 and \$1400.**

WHAT DOES THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS LOOK LIKE?

Eligible 10th and 11th grade students (rising juniors or seniors) can

apply online. The process takes 20-30 minutes, and includes one short-answer question. Students will also have the choice to apply for our Summer Stipend. Girls Who Code does not ask for GPA, transcript, or any recommendations.

WHEN ARE STUDENTS NOTIFIED ABOUT WHETHER THEY HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO THE PROGRAM?

Early acceptance applicants will be notified by **mid-March**. All students will be notified by **mid-April**. Notifications are sent via email - so make sure to give us the correct e-mail address on your application!

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FIRST AND SECOND PHASE APPLICATIONS?

To qualify for early acceptance, students must apply by the **February 15 deadline**. Early applicants will be notified by **mid-March**, and all applicants will be notified by **mid-April**. Applicants who are waitlisted during the Early Acceptance phase will be given priority consideration for admission over second phase applicants.

WILL GIRLS WHO CODE PROVIDE HOUSING FOR THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

No, we do not provide housing. This is a day program and students should only apply to locations they can reach each day. Students can use their Summer Stipend to support with living costs if they are eligible.

I AM GOING TO BE OUT OF TOWN DURING THE PROGRAM. SHOULD I STILL APPLY?

All program participants must be able to commit to attending the entire seven-week program. We hope you'll choose to spend your summer with us!

WHAT WILL GIRLS LEARN IN THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?

Each week of the program covers projects related to computer science, such as art, storytelling, robotics, video games, and websites. Students learn programming languages including Scratch, Python, Arduino C, HTML, CSS, and Javascript. Students also learn about tech careers from guest speakers, participating in workshops, connecting with female engineers and entrepreneurs, and field trips. The program culminates in a final project where students work in teams to build a product based on their interests.

ARE BOYS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN GIRLS WHO CODE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAMS?

Our programs are intended for students who identify as female regardless of gender assignment at birth or legal recognition.

I DON'T HAVE ANY CODING EXPERIENCE. SHOULD I STILL APPLY?

Yes, our program is designed for beginners! All you need is a readiness to learn.

I AM NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM. HOW ELSE CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Girls Who Code also offers our **Campus** program: 2-week beginner and advanced summer courses in select cities:

www.girlswhocode.com/campus. You can also join or start a **Girls Who Code Club** in your area! Clubs are free after-school programs for 3–12th grade girls to learn computer science to impact their community: www.girlswhocode.com/clubs.