

Qatar Academy

Senior School Akhbar

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Upcoming Events

May:

- 6th -10th Eravur School Visit
- 6th-10th Week Without Walls
- 13th Non-Uniform Day (Student Council)
- 27th-31st Book Fair
- 28th Community and Service Leadership Retreat
- 29th Sports Awards- Auditorium
- 30th Grade 12 Leavers' Dinner
- 31st Community and Service Reflections due for students in grades 6 – 10

June:

- 2nd SAT
- 9th ACT
- 12th Bake Sale (Student Council)
- 28th Non-Uniform Day (Student Council)
- 28th Last Day of School

ATTENTION ALL G11 QATARI STUDENTS:

A Summer Internship is available with OXY—Occidental Petroleum of Qatar. One spot is open to a Qatari student who will participate for ONE week this summer. Students will be able to learn about the many different departments within the company and explore a daily office work environment. If you are interested, please sign up with Ms. Barini—counselors will evaluate your GPA and attendance and make one nomination.

QA Mission Statement

It is the mission of Qatar Academy (QA) to provide internationally accepted, comprehensive, English medium programs plus Arabic and Islamic studies from preschool through to secondary graduation. QA develops independent critical thinkers, lifelong learners, responsible citizens, and empowers students to gain entrance to elite universities and colleges.

إن رسالة أكاديمية قطر هي توفير برامج شاملة باللغة الإنجليزية ومعتمدة دولياً بالإضافة إلى اللغة العربية والدراسات الإسلامية من الروضة إلى مرحلة التخرج من الثانوية . وتكون أكاديمية قطر متعلمين يتصفون بفكر نقدي مستقل ويطلبون ال علم مدى الحياة ، ويكونون مواطنين مسؤولين وتهيئهم للانتساب لجامعات ومعاهد النخبة .

Validation process

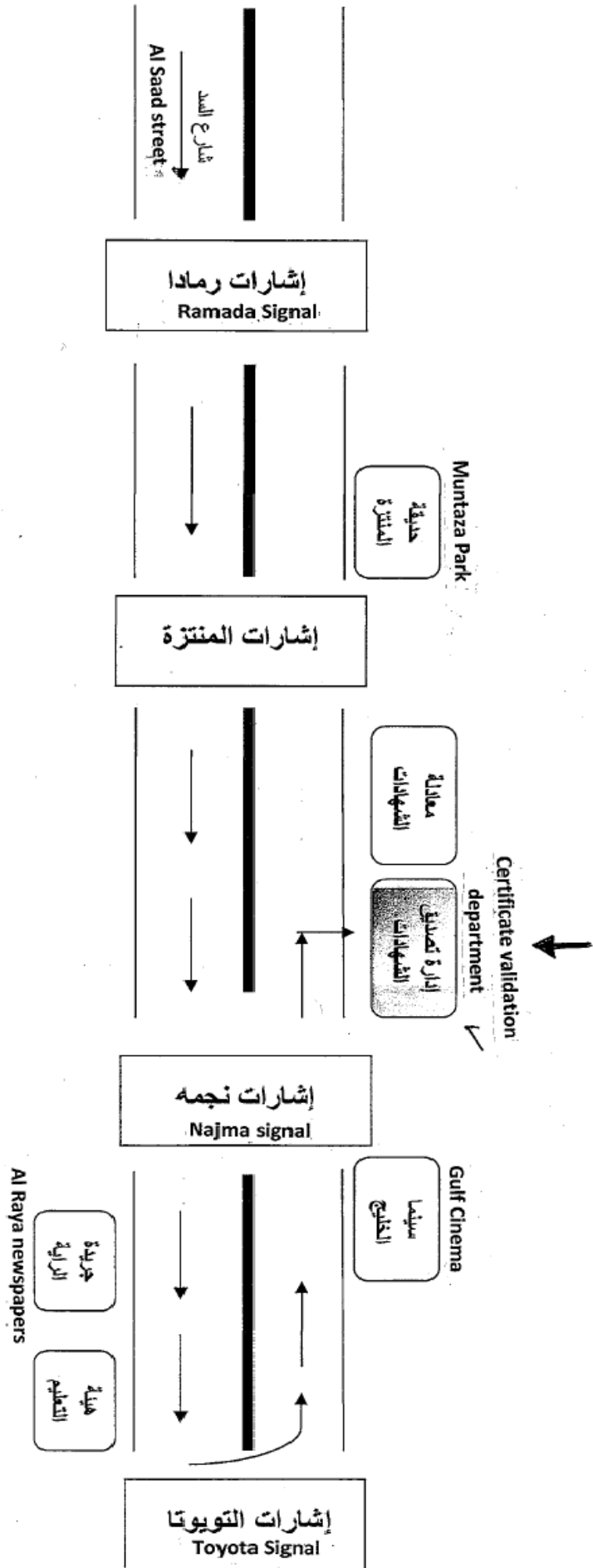
- All Diplomas will be sent to QF to be stamped.
- You and your son/daughter will need to take the stamped Diploma to the Certificates Validation Department -SEC (Supreme Education Council)
- You will need to take the Diploma to the Authentication Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. (Qatari students should check with the Certificates Validation Department if this apply to them also)
- Please ensure to take all the official documents with you e.g. passport of both the student & his guardian, transcript...etc

Certificates Validation Department: C ring road near the signal of the Gulf/Doha cinema (please see attached map) contact details: 44045089 44045087 44045086 44045083 44045106 44045096 44045095 44045094 44045093 44045092

إجراءات التصديق

- ستقوم المدرسة بإرسال الدبلوم ليتم ختمه من قبل مؤسسة قطر.
 - يتعين على ولي الأمر والطالب أخذ الدبلوم المختوم إلى وحدة تصديق ومعادلة الشهادات في المجلس الأعلى للتعليم.
 - يتعين على ولي الأمر ختم الدبلوم في وزارة الخارجية. (إذا كان الطالب يحمل الجنسية القطرية يرجى التأكد من قسم تصديق الشهادات ما إذا كان هناك حاجة لهذه الخطوة).
 - يرجى أخذ جميع الوثائق الرسمية مثل جواز سفر ولي الأمر والطالب، كشف الدرجات...الخ.
- مبنى وحدة تصديق ومعادلة الشهادات الواقع بالطريق الدائري الثالث -إشارات سينما الخليج (يرجى الرجوع إلى الخريطة المرفقة) الهواتف : 44045083 44045086 44045087 44045089 44045092 44045093 44045094 44045095 44045106

خريطة توضيحية لموقع إدارة تصديق الامتحانات



MUN Action Team in Eravur, Sri Lanka

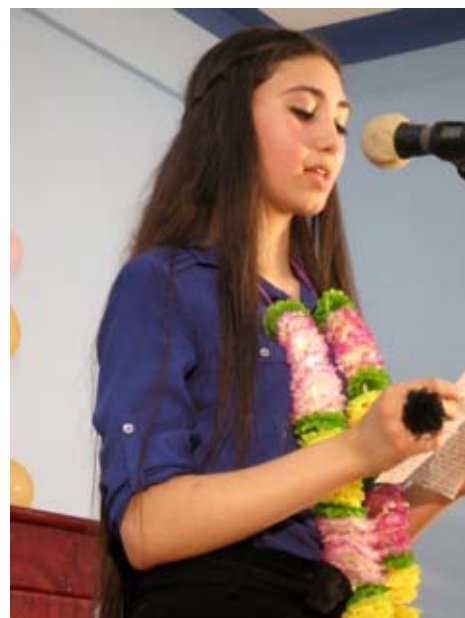
With the fantastic support received from the QA community, this year's team led by Daniel Castillo and Tala Al Taji reached their goal to assist in the construction of a 3-room school in Eravur, Sri Lanka. As a whole school project, there was great support from both Primary and Senior students who sought to complete the four 'walls' of the model school house which has been located in the Senior School foyer since last October.

One group which contributed to the Eravur 'brick by brick' campaign this year was the 6D girls Advisory group. The girls made a plan last October to donate an amount regularly aiming to raise QR 2000 by May. Having achieved this by February, the girls then continued until last week – and raised enough to purchase **seven** gold bricks for the project! An outstanding effort from a committed group. Thank you!



This week, six Grade 11 students – including outgoing Vice-President, Tala Al Taji and incoming President, Waleed Hashisho, travelled to Eravur to further develop ties between the QA student community and Eravur students. All QA students were involved in teaching English to students from Beginning English to ICT! This photo (left) shows Tala and Waleed, leading a class in the new teaching rooms with another group in the foreground being taught ICT.

MUN Action team not only sought to raise funds for the project but also participated in the Opening ceremony of the new building – as well as being the inaugural teachers for the first lessons held in the new teaching rooms this week! (Photo on right - outgoing Vice President, Tala Al Taji presenting an address at the Opening Ceremony). While QA community provided funding, the Eravur community, and the Board of Eravur Education Development Institute (EEDI) in particular, donated many hours of their time, labour and expertise to complete the construction. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this successful community project!



QA senior Physical Education Swimming unit 2012

Important information for the Swimming Unit All Grade 6-9 students

The Swimming unit will be starting the week of the 22nd April 2021 to the end of the school year the 28th June 2011.

The aquatics unit in Physical Education is compulsory for all male and female students from grades 6-9.

All students are expected to participate throughout the unit and be actively involved in the lessons.

If, for any reason a pupil cannot swim for a lesson (a note is required), they are expected to change into their school PE kit and be enthusiastically involved on the side of the pool. Pupils will be expected to coach and assist their peers, answering questions and overall be actively involved in the learning environment.

If they do not turn up with their swimming kit or their PE kit this will be recorded as a kit mark on the register. 3 no kit (NK) for classes in term 3 PE will result in a detention.

Nearer to the start of the unit, students are required to ask their PE teacher the timetable for the Swimming unit. Each student from grades 6-9 will have 1 lesson a week in the pool for Swimming and 1 lesson a week of volleyball for 10 weeks. Grade 10 will have a slightly different timetable.

Girls Swimming Lessons

The lessons will be girls only, supported by female teaching staff and female lifeguards.

All blinds will be down, doors closed with visible girls only signs and any security cameras around the pool area turned off. Males will never enter the swimming pool area when a lesson is on.

SWIMMING AND VOLLEYBALL TIMETABLE

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	WEDNESDAY	Thursday
Period 1 (7:10 – 8:15)	10DE - VOLLEYBALL	9ABC BOYS SWIMMING GIRLS VOLLEYBAL L	7DE GIRLS SWIMMING BOYS VOLLEYBALL		10ABC VOLLEYBAL L
Period 2 (8:20 – 9:25)	9ABC GIRLS SWIMMING BOYS VOLLEYBALL	8ABC BOYS SWIMMING GIRLS VOLLEYBAL L	6ABC GIRLS SWIMMING BOYS VOLLEYBALL		7ABC BOYS SWIMMING GIRLS VOLLEYBAL L
Period 3 (9:45 – 10:50)	10ABC - VOLLEYBALL	6ABC BOYS SWIMMING GIRLS VOLLEYBAL L		Period 3 10.55- 12.00 8DE BOYS SWIMMING GIRLS VOLLEYBAL L	7DE BOYS SWIMMING GIRLS VOLLEYBAL L
eriod 4 (10:55 – 12:00)	8DE GIRLS SWIMMING BOYS VOLLEYBALL	6DE BOYS SWIMMING GIRLS VOLLEYBAL L	7ABC GIRLS SWIMMING BOYS VOLLEYBALL	Period 4 12.05- 1.10 6DE GIRLS SWIMMING BOYS VOLLEYBAL L	Gr11 PE
Period 5 (1:15 – 2:20)	9DE GIRLS SWIMMING BOYS VOLLEYBALL	9DE BOYS SWIMMING GIRLS VOLLEYBAL L	10DE VOLLEYBALL		8ABC GIRLS SWIMMING BOYS VOLLEYBAL L

Sports Awards 2011/12 Season



The Sports Awards will be held **Tuesday 29 of May**, from 5.00pm-7.00pm in the Auditorium. A light meal will follow. All students who participated in sport this past year are invited (including Under 14 age groups). Each team will receive awards for **Most Improved Player** and **Most Valuable Player**. Junior Varsity and Varsity sides will present a wrap of their seasons. We will also present some **Special Awards** to people (staff and students) who have made a significant contribution to the QA athletic programme through their interest, support and actions. **The evening will culminate in the awarding of the male and female Athlete of the Year.**

While awards rightly honour special individuals within a team, they are really about acknowledging the collective endeavors of all. It has been a busy and successful sporting year at Qatar Academy and I thank all of our wonderful students who have represented our school with skill and pride, our dedicated coaching staff, and student volunteers who have assisted in directly supporting our programme. Thank you also parents for your support and encouragement, it really does make a difference!

Yours in Sport
Steve Walker
Athletic Director



SUMMER 2012 OPPORTUNITIES...

*(Updated as of 2 May, those with a * are new this week)*

The programs listed below have been compiled based on information sent to our office. It is not comprehensive and many additional opportunities exist as well. We will continue to update, as new opportunities are made available to us.

IN EDUCATION CITY:

WEILL CORNELL MEDICAL EXPLORER PROGRAM: *program for current G11 students will run 1-19 July, more details to follow in two weeks.*

IN QATAR:

OXFORD LEARNING: is offering individualized programs in English and Math for all ages and a SAT Prep course. For more information call: 4481-8434 or 4491-0777.

IN THE UAE:

ESMOD FASION STORE IN DUBAI: is offering a one-week and one-month summer courses on the “Discovery of Fashion 1.” From 1-31 July students will have instruction in fashion design and pattern making, professional make up application, and perfume. Visit www.esmod-dubai.com for more information.

IN THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES:

NATIONAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE: 10-day conferences in cities across the US: New York City, Washington, D.C., Chicago, San Francisco. Choose a conference from the following areas:

- Business & Entrepreneurship
- Engineering
- Forensic Science
- Intelligence & National Security
- Law & Advocacy
- Medicine & Healthcare
- Theater
- Mastering Leadership
- Sports & Entertainment Management
- Education

Students will explore career options by participating in true-to-life simulations, meet with recognized leaders and professionals and experience living on a college campus. Visit www.nslcleaders.org for more information.

IB SUMMER SCHOOL AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CA, USA: offers a full program of sports, activities, and social events for PRE and MID IB students. Also offers SAT review and information on the US & UK university application process. Visit www.ibsummerschool.com for more information.

OXFORD/CAMBRIDGE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS in NYC, USA, ENGLAND, SPAIN, and FRANCE: From Archeology to Zoology, they offer over 160 courses. There are a variety of humanities, social sciences and creative subjects – going above traditional classroom and school curricula. The programs in France and Spain offer French and Spanish language courses for all levels, taught in context by native speakers. For more information visit: www.oxbridgeprograms.com

OSC PRE and MID-IBDP SUMMER SCHOOL in the UK, USA or Canada: OSC offers a one-to-three week courses presenting students with an introduction to the DP with academic classes, workshops, seminars and cultural visits. The Mid-IB offers revision for IB Subject choices. Visit www.osc-ib.com for more information.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY in Washington, D.C., USA: Pre-college program has one-three-or six-week sessions, The College Intensive program gives rising juniors and seniors the opportunity to earn college credit by engaging in challenging undergraduate coursework. The 6-week session allows students to enroll in GW summer courses alongside GW undergraduates. The 3-week and 1-week sessions are full-day undergraduate courses offered in an experiential format, and designed specifically for high school students. Courses are taught by GW faculty. Visit www.precollege.gwu.edu for more information.

MIDDLEBURY-MONTEREY SUMMER INTENSIVE COLLEGE ENGLISH PROGRAM, Rhode Island, USA: The program will be hosted at Salve Regina University in Newport, RI, and is focused for students interested in attending university in the US. Students live in residence halls, attend language instruction, life skills workshops and co-curricular activities. Visit www.go.miis.edu/ice.

BARNARD COLLEGE (*partners with Columbia University*) SUMMER IN THE CITY PROGRAM, NYC, USA: Live and learn with the pre-college programs. Writing in the City, Architecture in the City, and a Young Women's Leadership Institute will be offered. Students will take courses and participate in extra curricular visits. For more information visit www.barnard.edu/precollege.

OLE MISS SUMMER ACADEMY, University of Mississippi, USA for G8, 9 & 10: A taste of college life! Students explore world cultures, human behavior, conduct science experiments, or work on a literary magazine. Many weekend activities are also planned. More information can be found at www.outreach.olemiss.edu/summer_academy.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI (OLE MISS): SUMMER COLLEGE FOR INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: For G10 & 11: there are programs in Art, Computer Science, Engineering, Pre-Health professions, Integrated Marketing, Intensive Spanish, Journalism, Legal Studies and various other liberal arts studies. Students will take courses, experience college life, and participate in local activities. Visit www.olemiss.edu/schs.

SUMMER DISCOVERY PROGRAMS FOR G7-11 USA, UK, SPAIN, ITALY AND CHINA: The company offers programs in pre-college enrichment, college preparation, internships and community service. US University locations: UC Los Angeles, Santa Barbara; University of Michigan; Loyola University in Chicago; Georgetown, U Penn, NYU and Emerson in Boston. UK Locations are in Cambridge and London. Barcelona and Madrid Spain; Florence, Italy; and Shanghai, China. Visit www.summerdiscovery.com, www.discoveryinternships.com or www.jrdiscovery.com.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY, Boston, USA, SUMMER HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS: Students can choose to:

- Enroll in two undergraduate courses and earn up to 8 college credits

- Select two non-credit seminars from a series of subjects
- Spend one week studying one subject in-depth
- Engage in a research Internship in Science & Engineering

Visit: www.bu.edu/summer/highschool for additional information.

National Youth Leadership Forum (NYLF), 18 cities across the US: the programs in Law, Medicine, College Success and National Security help prepare students for their academic future and professional careers. Its mission is to bring various professions to life, empowering students with confidence to make well-informed career choices. High-achieving high school students are *nominated* (see a school counselor) to attend NYLF. NYLF scholars all demonstrate strong academic abilities, leadership and an interest in the career field being studied. Please visit: www.nylf.org for more information.

SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR THE GIFTED, programs at Amherst College, Bryn Mawr, Emory, UC Berkeley, UCLA, University of Texas-Austin, Vassar, Dartmouth, Princeton and Yale. There are a variety of programs available at each of these locations for students aged 9-17. Courses cover English, Humanities, Math, Science, Technology, Visual and Performing Arts, Fitness, and multi-disciplinary. Students will participate in a full curriculum including evening programs, Saturday Get-Away Days and Sunday Activity Days. Visit www.giftedstudy.org for more information

ROSS SCHOOL, EAST HAMPTON, NY: a program for students who wish to excel at the university admissions process while participating in academic programs with fun afternoon electives on the east end of Long Island. The morning is spent in classes, sports & activities in the afternoon and weekend trips to New York City and local beaches. Visit www.ross.org/summerterm for more details.

WASATCH ACADEMY, MT. PLEASANT, UTAH: attend academic and experiential summer programs in International Filmmaking, SAT Prep, Performing and Studio Arts, Computer Game Design, Robotics, Studio Music Production, Equestrian Center Riding or Basketball Camp. Visit <http://www.wasatchacademy.org/summer-programs/index.aspx> for more information.

EMMA WILLARD SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, TROY, NY: English as a Second Language Academic Summer Program. Students will work on their English listening, reading, writing and speaking skills through popular texts, periodicals and study skills. Students will also take field trips to New York City and Boston. Visit www.emmawillard.org/summerESL for additional details.

PERKIOMEN SUMMER, PENNSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA: Summer immersion in English language for students entering G 7-11. Students will participate in courses in math, science, American Literature, American history and TOEFL and SAT preparation. Extra curricular opportunities include athletic competitions, creative expression and trips to New York City, Washington, DC, and Philadelphia. More information can be found at: www.perkiomen.org .

THORNTON ACADEMY, SACO, MAINE: English Immersion and American Culture Summer Program. Located 15 miles from Portland and 90 miles from Boston. Students will hone their English language skills and learn about the American university application process. Weekend activities will help provide a balance of hard work and recreation. Curriculums are available in Science, SAT Prep, English and TOEFL prep. University visits to Harvard, MIT, Boston University and College, Yale, NYU and Columbia. Visit <http://summersemester.thorntonacademy.org> for more details.

AMHERST COLLEGE, STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT: The University Prep Program will help students improve their SAT score, learn how to choose a college, compose a resume, learn skills to help improve their chances for admission at the university of their choice and have a college life experience. More information can be found at www.nsgtuniversityprep.org.

HORIZONS USA AT GEORGE SCHOOL, WARRINGTON, PA: For students 10-16 years old, English immersion program with instruction in formal written and conversational English. Weekends have cultural and historical trips. Visit <http://www.campconcepts.org> for more information. *\$300 USD discount for first student to register*

***NEW YORK FILM ACADEMY: Summer Camps for Film and Acting:** Sessions run from 1-4 weeks for students 10-17. Hands-on programs in Animation, Video Game Design, Filmmaking, Acting, Photography, Screenwriting, Broadcast Journalism and more. For more information visit: NYFA.edu/Summer_Camp.

***COLLEGE VISITS, USA AND CANADIAN TOURS:** Various tours across USA and Canada visiting different colleges and universities. Canada: July 7-13; Midwest July 8-13; Northeast July 14-20 and 21-27; Northwest July 15-21; Southeast July 22-27. For more information visit <http://college-visits.com>

***MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENGINEERING SUMMER PROGRAMS:** For students with an interest in Math and Science and considering a career in engineering. Visit: <http://www.egr.msu.edu/future-engineer/programs/summer> for more details.

ONLY IN THE UK:

ARTS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE BOURNEMOUTH:

- Photography summer courses in July—intro to photography, photographic studio, photography on location and professional practice.
- Make Up summer courses—intro to make up (fashion, editorial and runway); historical make up and hair work for film, television and stage; and special effects and prosthetics. Visit www.aucb.ac.uk or www.facebook.com/summercourses

HERITAGE SUMMERS AT CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: this program is for 16-19 year old students for three weeks in July. The offer courses in anthropology, psychology, history, politics, literature, art history, the maths and sciences, and many more. To learn more visit: www.heritagesummers.com

ISSOS- CAMBRIDGE AND ST. ANDREWS: three sessions in July and August. They offer academics in English language, creative writing, debate, business, IB revision and leadership. They combine the academics with electives in golf, tennis, theatre, film, art, photography and more. For additional information please visit www.summerschoolscotland.com

LANTERNA PRE and MID IB REVISION COURSES IN UK & SWEDEN: Revision courses concentrate on addressing any gaps in knowledge, difficulties remembering information and how to apply knowledge to exam questions. Visit www.lanternaeducation.com/ib for more information.

IN SWITZERLAND:

COLLEGE DU LEMAN, SUMMER CAMPUS PROGRAM, Geneva, Switzerland: Improve your French by working in small group lessons and combine theory with real-life practice of classroom learning through field trips. Students can also participate in sporting activities such as sailing, water skiing, golf and riding. Artistic and cultural activities such as painting, sculpture are also on offer. Visit www.summercampus@cdl.ch

***LES ELFES INTERNATIONAL, Verbier, Switzerland:** Summer Camps in multiple sports, languages or arts for students 8-18. Excursions to Lausanne, Geneva, Berm, Gruyere, Montreaux, France and Italy. Visit www.leselfes.com for additional information.

IN CANADA:

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA SUMMER SCHOLARS PROGRAM (Okanagan campus): an opportunity for students to learn about environmental science and sustainability. For two weeks in July students will learn about water and forest management to urban planning. The students will conduct field research in the surrounding Kelowna, BC, area. Visit www.summerprogram.isi.ubc.ca. Space is limited to 30 students, so hurry to apply!

NANCY CAMPBELL COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE, LONDON, ONTARIO: For students 12-18 interested in the ARTS. Mornings are spent working on English skills and afternoons are intensive art courses in: drama, dance, video production, song writing, or visual arts and photography. There is also soccer camp, if not interested in the arts. There will be excursions to places like Niagara Falls, the CN Tower in Toronto and more. Visit www.nancycampbell.net to apply.

OSC IB DIPLOMA SUMMER COURSES, VANCOUVER: Pre IB, Mid IB and a New Vancouver Explorer Program. They are offering a 40% discount on course prices. Limited spaces are available, visit www.osc-ib.com to register.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO, CANADA, DEEP SUMMER ACADEMY: For G9-11. Runs for four weeks in July and covers topics in engineering, technology, applied sciences and business. The courses include lectures in a college environment, design projects and lab experiments. Topics include: mechanical, electrical, biomedical and computer engineering; robotics; computers; biology; and business.

IN THAILAND:

TRAIKHOS THREE-GENERATION FOR LEARNING, CHIANG MAI, THAILAND: IB Summer School for G11 to 12, Global Citizen Camp for 14-18 years and an Extreme Siam Adventure Camp. Visit <http://camps.threegeneration.org> or ibsumerschool@threegeneration.org

IN GERMANY:

JACOBS UNIVERSITY, BREMMEN, is offering courses in life sciences, medical research—intended to help explain the theories behind TV programs such as CSI, House or the movie Outbreak. The program will be taught by professors in Biochemistry, Cell Biology to learn more about genetics, physiology, cell biology and microbiology. Students will participate in lab research and learn about the link between pop culture and science. More details can be found at: <http://www.jacobs-university.de/summerprograms> .

***AROUND THE WORLD:**

***Visit:** <http://enrichmentalley.com/program-search/233> for summer programs around the world, some are at universities, boarding schools, and various other locations. Students will have the opportunity to explore academics, sports, travel and more.

***VISIT:** <http://rusticpathways.com/programs/> for international summer programs in the areas of community service, language, adventure and life skills. Countries include Costa Rica, Thailand, Fiji, Australia, New Zealand, China, Dominican Republic, US, Vietnam, India, Peru, Tanzania, Cambodia, Ghana, Laos, Morocco, Panama, Mongolia, and Burma.



The deadline for submitting the essay has been extended to the 12th of May ↓