



KE Foundation



'A different kind of summer school'

For those who aspire and achieve: a taste of university life in the USA, England, Scotland and Canada
Academic summer programmes – 2019

KE programmes are novel, exciting and stimulating. They're specially designed for students aged **15-17** who like to be challenged – intellectually and creatively. Based on the campuses of leading universities in the **USA**, the **United Kingdom (England and Scotland)** and **Canada**, the programmes introduce you to future study at those universities, at one of the other universities which you'll visit, or in fact to life at university in general. Many are **multi-centre**, so you see different sides of the country visited.

Are you planning to go to university?

This will be a huge investment – in terms both of time, and in most cases also of money. Make sure it's the right investment! These are some questions you might want to ask:

- Am I choosing the right **subject**, and am I preparing for it correctly?
- Which **university** would be right for me?
- Is it the right **city** for me to live in – or even the right **country**?

KE helps you find answers to these questions by:

- Introducing you to your choice of **subject** area
- Taking you to visit a selection of **universities**
- Showing life in the **country** and the **cities** visited

Is a KE programme suitable for you?

KE is definitely suitable for you if you would like to:

- Think in new ways
- Challenge yourself
- Meet interesting new people with ideas and imagination

You don't have to be committed to university study in the country visited: maybe you would just like a more focused, more rewarding summer programme. But you do need to be serious about study, and you also need a reasonable level of English. The programmes are suitable for local or international students – for whom we suggest minimum levels of English equivalent to: 5.5 (IELTS); B2 (CEF); 80 (TOEFL iBT); FCE.

KE programmes usually run for just **2 or 3 weeks**, but they are full of activity and action. You'll be joined by bright people from different parts of the world, and often from the local area as well. Many students find friendships which continue into their university careers.

We must be honest: if you're looking for programmes where a lot of the time is spent on games and shopping, these might not be right for you. But if you're looking for an experience which will change the way you view and prepare for your future, please turn the page.

This really is

'A DIFFERENT KIND OF SUMMER SCHOOL...'



KE programmes

The **programmes** are based on **one-week courses**. So **2-week programmes** include **two courses**; **3-week programmes**, **three courses**. There may be a change of study centre between courses. Check our dates and fees leaflet to see which centres are included on the different programmes.

You have a number of choices!

First of all, choose either our **University focus** or our **Discovery focus**. Most of the material is the same, but the **University focus** includes work based on **university entrance** in the country visited, plus **university visits**; the **Discovery focus** involves more work on **local art and culture**, plus **city visits**.

Each course has a **major** running for 16 hours (plus project work) and a **minor** running for 5 hours.

There are three types of course:

Course A

Your **major**: **Logic or language**

Choose **one** of the following:

- **Critical thinking** – practice in high-level reasoning skills
- **Academic language skills** (UK only) – practice in skills such as listening to lectures, taking part in seminars, reading and writing at university level
- **SAT and ACT** (USA only) – an introduction to the two examinations used for entry to American universities
- **Communication skills with TOEFL** (USA only) – work on relevant listening and speaking skills

Your **minor**: **Building confidence, speaking up!**

Course B

Your **major**: **Prepare for the future!**

Choose **one** of the following:

- **Study skills** – looking ahead to the IB Diploma, A-levels or similar; time management, motivation, goal-setting and exam technique
- **Research skills** – looking ahead to the IB extended essay or university study; preparing for university-style research and longer pieces of writing
- **The challenge of the future** – looking ahead to the impact of future developments on future careers

Your **minor**: **Practical leadership and teamwork**

Course C

Your **major**: **Specialist (academic) subject**

Introducing a broad subject area in which you might specialise later. What's it like to study, where does it lead? Choose **one** of the following:

- **Business and entrepreneurship**
- **Engineering and technology**
- **Law, society and international relations**
- **Medical sciences and psychology**

Your **minor**:

University focus:

Choosing the right university; the **personal statement or essay**; the **interview** – presentations followed by practice

Discovery focus:

'Expression and impression': music, film, art and pop culture in the country visited

In addition to the courses just mentioned, each programme includes the following *special features*:

- **Study visits.** Visits to famous cities, preceded by a seminar; university visits for those choosing the University focus, city visits for the Discovery focus; followed by some sightseeing for all.
- **Student mentors.** Guidance and support from carefully chosen, lively, enthusiastic students from top universities.
- **Tutorials.** A weekly meeting in a small group in which you discuss your work and progress.
- **News reviews.** A look at the day's news, with discussion.
- **'Dining and etiquette'.** A formal dinner, preceded by a seminar – plus an afternoon tea in the UK.
- **Local sports and activities.** A chance to take part in activities typical of the country visited, such as cricket, croquet, punting, baseball and (in St. Andrews) golf.
- **Presentations.** Group presentations at the end of Course C.

Maximum class size: 15 (though most classes are smaller)

Airport transfers: we include transfers for arrivals and departures, travel between UK centres and the tour portions of the Canadian programme (but not travel between East and West in the USA)

Meals: all programmes include breakfast and one main meal each day, usually dinner

Student welfare: we have a dedicated welfare officer, who may be contacted for guidance and support

Countries and study centres



The United Kingdom

(July)

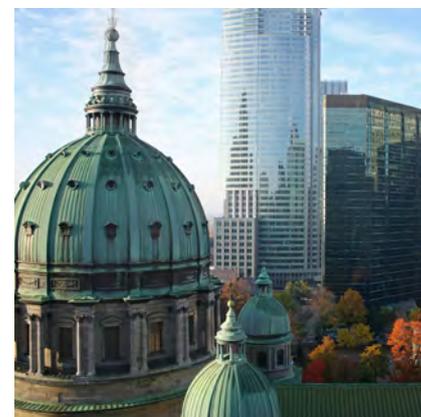
- You'll stay at historic, world-class universities:
- **University of Cambridge**
(St. Catharine's College – founded in 1473)
- **University of Durham**
(St. Chad's College – founded in 1904)
- **University of St. Andrews** in Scotland
(founded in 1413)
- 2-week programmes:** spend one week in Cambridge, plus one week in either Durham (UK1 and UK3) or St. Andrews (UK4)
- 3-week programme:** spend one week in each of the three centres (UK2)
- Destinations for included study visits:
 - From Cambridge: **London (two full-day trips)**
 - From Durham: **York and Leeds; Newcastle**
 - From St. Andrews: **Edinburgh; Aberdeen with the Highlands**
- **University focus:** universities visited are very diverse (older and newer/ college and campus/ small city and big city), and include a selection from: **Cambridge, Durham, St. Andrews, London (LSE, UCL, Imperial College, King's College), Leeds, Sheffield, York, Newcastle, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen**
- **Discovery focus:** city visits include: **the British Museum, the National Gallery, York city, Edinburgh extra**



The United States of America

(July)

- You'll stay at one or two prestigious universities:
- **The University of Massachusetts** – 'UMass' ('East' – in Amherst)
- **Santa Clara University** ('West' – in Silicon Valley near San Francisco)
- 2-week programmes:** spend two weeks at UMass (US1), or two weeks at Santa Clara (US3)
- 3-week programme:** spend two weeks at UMass, then one week at Santa Clara (US2)
- Destinations for study visits include:
 - East: **Boston; Providence and New Haven; New York City**
 - West: **San Francisco; Silicon Valley (with a company visit); Berkeley and Sacramento; San Jose**
- **University focus:** visits illustrate the range on offer in the USA: Ivy League/ a 'Little Ivy' or a liberal arts college/ city and small town/ public and private – and include a selection from:
 - East: **UMass, Amherst College, Boston College, Harvard, MIT, Brown, Yale, Columbia**
 - West: **Santa Clara, UC Berkeley, Stanford, University of San Francisco, UC Davis, San Jose State**
- **Discovery focus:** city visits include: **Boston city, Central Park, Berkeley city, San Francisco extra**



Canada

(late July/early August)

- Our Canada programme focuses on the great cities of **Montreal, Ottawa** and **Toronto**, with a stay at the elegant and high-ranking **Queen's University** in the delightful lakeside town of **Kingston**, Ontario, half-way between Montreal and Toronto.
 - 11-day programme:** two nights in Montreal at the start, two nights in Toronto at the end, with the teaching in the middle in Kingston. The programme includes one one-week course: C: a choice of specialist (academic) subjects.
 - Destinations for included study visits:
 - **Montreal; Toronto; Ottawa; Niagara Falls**
 - Universities visited include: big city and small town/ college and campus/ highly competitive and less competitive:
 - **McGill, Concordia, Ottawa, Carleton, Queen's, Toronto, York, Waterloo, McMaster**
- (The Discovery focus/ city visits are not offered in Canada.)

Parent feedback, 2018

"My daughter arrived thrilled with her experience (with the) KE Foundation. She loved every moment: the new friends, the staff, the colleges, the universities, the tutorial classes.... everything! It definitely helped her to decide about the courses and the universities she will apply to. I believe it was the most amazing experience in her life!"



More information and contact details



Mission Statement

‘Our mission is to provide ambitious young minds with the foundations for success in a global context. To this end, we offer life-changing experiences at centres of academic excellence across the English-speaking world, together with guidance on applying to top universities and on pursuing top careers.

Our philosophy is that success depends not just on the ability to memorise and prepare for examinations, but also on critical and independent thought, on commitment and passion, on creativity and imagination, on teamwork and debate.’

For more detailed information on our programmes, please look at our website:

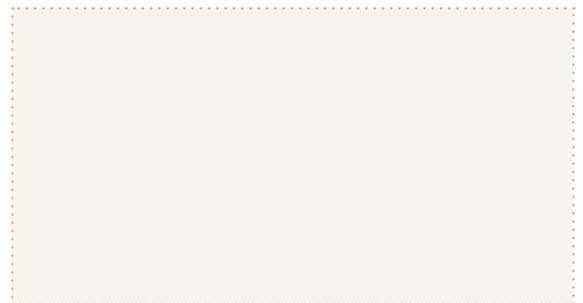
www.kefoundation.org

To check on dates and fees, please see the insert usually included with this brochure, or go direct to:

www.kefoundation.org/ke/programmes/dates/

For most programmes, you can enrol online.

For local assistance, perhaps with visas or travel arrangements, please contact:



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We organise accommodation, meals and classrooms with various universities in the UK, the USA and Canada. But we arrange our own programmes, and these are completely independent of the host universities.

