

CAMP 4 SCHOLARS

at Kenyon College

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Where talent meets hard work and critical thinkers are made.

The last camp before reaching the peak of Mount Everest is Camp 4. Climbers spend the night there, preparing for the final trek, dreaming (if they can sleep) of the summit. It is the closest to space a human can get and follows weeks of climbing and acclimating to the challenge of limited oxygen. Metaphorically, Camp 4 at Kenyon is the place to prepare for life beyond high school, learning skills at a higher level, getting acclimated to the college experience, gathering the resources to meet your highest expectations for yourself.

Camp 4 Scholars at Kenyon will launch in Summer 2014. This intensive academic enrichment program offers high school students three weeks to work with superb professors, strengthen critical thinking and writing skills across disciplines, and experience college life first-hand. Formerly known as the Summer Kenyon Academic Program, founded in 1986 to give Ohio students supplemental academic practice, Camp 4 is open to students nationwide. The program takes place on the Kenyon College campus, in Gambier, Ohio, cited by *Forbes* as one of the most beautiful campuses in the world (*and often compared to Hogwarts*).

Camp 4 Scholars for Juniors is for rising juniors, engaging them in academic and social activities designed to introduce the college experience. You will strengthen your critical thinking, writing, and creative skills at Camp 4 Scholars through classes in U.S. history, writing, and visual arts. The program eases you into the culture of a college campus, introducing you to dorm life, small class sizes, and interdisciplinary studies that are the hallmarks of the liberal arts.

As a Camp 4 Scholar, you will receive individual counseling on college admissions and financial aid. Most importantly, you'll receive encouragement to believe in your capacity



"During my three weeks on campus I fell in love with the courses, professors, and breathtaking setting." – Kyra Green, 2012 participant and Kenyon Class of 2017

for achievement. More than 80% of students who attended Camp 4's predecessor—Summer Kenyon Academic Program (SKAP)—went on to attend college, buoyed by their summer success. In fact, nearly 30% of SKAP participants were admitted to Kenyon College. We expect even more future Kenyon grads to emerge through Camp 4.

Academic Heights across Disciplines

You will be immersed in the liberal arts and sciences, the foundation of critical thinking, at Camp 4 Scholars. The curriculum includes three hours of American history and three hours of writing every weekday. In addition, twice a week, you will attend a studio art class.

The American history course teaches Camp 4 Scholars about the rise of industrialization, spanning 1877-1945. You will discover connections between industrialization, the birth of organized labor, immigration, urbanization, and the impact of war on the period. Three books will serve as the springboard for discussion each day: Zora Neale Hurston's *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, *Bread Givers* by Anzia Yezeirska, and *Coming of Age in Mississippi* by Anne Moody. In addition to class discussions and lectures, you will read primary sources, while thinking critically and historically about their meaning. Statistical data will round out your study, which is integrated into class activities.

In the afternoon, you will focus on the writing process, using the books introduced in the American history class. You will brainstorm, develop a thesis, create an outline, perform research, and write. The writing session also features how to incorporate visual tools and public speaking as you learn to create a Powerpoint presentation on immigration's impact on the country.

Twice a week in the evenings, you and your fellow Camp 4 Scholars will take studio art classes. In the past, these sessions have created sculptures in metal and stone, large public art installations, and pottery. Our instructors aim to incorporate what you are learning in your academic classes to experience an interdisciplinary approach to creativity.

As a Camp 4 Scholar, you will build knowledge that will prepare you for your final years of high school. Perhaps most important, you will acquire the self-discipline required to succeed in college, and friendships to encourage you along the way.

All Work and No Play? No way.

While time is set aside on evenings and weekends to complete assignments, everyone needs time to recharge. Camp 4 Scholars have access to Kenyon's award-winning facilities— swimming pool, racquetball and tennis courts, basketball and volleyball courts. Or you might decide to talk with friends, listen to music, or go for a walk on campus.

More structured recreation time is scheduled each night. Weekends offer opportunities to go to the movies, dance, play pool or ping pong, and more. We will also produce a newsletter, a yearbook, and the “No-talent” Talent Show.

A Community of Scholars

Teachers, tutors and students live together in Gund Dorm on the Kenyon campus, with men and women on separate floors. Each of you will have a roommate, probably someone from another school.

Meals are served in the College dining halls, and they will be of the all-you-can-eat variety. Although other groups on campus share the dining room, we always eat our meals together as a group.

You will take home with you the memory of a deep bond with your fellow Camp 4 Scholars that will continue for years to come. The connections you make with people from different backgrounds sharing a love for academic pursuits will be ones you treasure.

Tuition and Scholarships

Camp 4 Scholars is a three-week residential program. The total cost, including tuition, accommodations, all meals, and activities, is \$3,500.

We are committed to socioeconomic diversity and strive



“(The program) has shown me how to structure my writing and use time wisely...I have learned how to interact with people who have different beliefs than me.”

to provide scholarship aid for those who have financial need. More information about how to request scholarship assistance is available with the application materials.

About Kenyon College

Kenyon College is a nationally prominent liberal arts college offering 1,600 students an academically challenging curriculum in a close-knit community. The College is distinguished by the high quality of its faculty and student body, its small classes, many opportunities for collaborative faculty-student research, and the exceptional beauty of its historic campus in central Ohio. Founded in 1824, Kenyon counts among its alumni such notable figures as President Rutherford B. Hayes, poet Robert Lowell, novelist E.L. Doctorow, writer John Green, and actors Paul Newman, Allison Janney and Josh Radnor, and more.

How to Apply

For an application, please contact Bonnie McCluskey, Assistant Director for Registration and Operations, at mccluske@kenyon.edu or (740) 427-5032.