

2026 PRE-COLLEGE SUMMER PROGRAMS



High school students!

Spend two weeks on our gorgeous college campus diving into an exciting, relevant field of study that might define your future.

- → 2-Week Residential Programs
- → Hands-On Experiential Learning
- → Rigorous Academic Curriculum
- → Taught By Industry-Expert Faculty
- → World-Class Facilities

Animation Academy

July 6-17, 2026

Create high-quality animation for film, games, and visual effects in our collaborative studio-like environment. Students will practice fundamental technical and artistic skills while working on projects with industry-standard equipment.

Champlain Game Academy

July 20-July 31, 2026

Develop hands-on skills in all aspects of game development, including design, art, animation, programming, sound and production. Students work in teams to build an original game prototype.

Cybersecurity & Digital Forensics Academy

July 6-July 17, 2026

Learn the science of investigating and preventing computer crimes by working alongside experienced industry professionals in the digital forensics lab at the Leahy Center for Digital Forensics & Cybersecurity.

Indie Game Studio Academy*

July 20-July 31, 2026

Dive into indie game studio development, tackling concept creation, rapid prototyping, iterative critique, and pitching. Every session mirrors a real studio environment, with hands-on production, cross-role collaboration, and team feedback.

*NOTE: Prior game development experience required.

Filmmaking & Media Production Exploration Academy

July 6-July 17, 2026

Explore the many jobs available in content creation for film, television, and streaming. Students work together in a hands-on, supportive environment under the guidance of an award-winning filmmaker and industry experts with extensive experience working in the film and music industries.

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