

Q: Why do fish swim in saltwater?



A: Because pepper water would make them sneeze!



ACE EVENTS | JULY 2022

Highlights

In Person Experiences

At this time we are planning to offer one in person program this summer and return to grade level campus visit field trips in the fall. We will continue to diversify the ACE experience by offering virtual and passive experiences throughout the year.

Summer Program Opportunities

- SkillUp Leadership (In Person) 8/3/22 register by 7/31/22
- Orientation (Virtual) 8/22/22 register by 8/22/22 @ noon
- Choosing A College PPT Series (On Your Own) register by 8/17/22



ACE Independent Study

You are invited to supplement and expand your ACE experience by engaging in your own college ready and career exploration experiences. If you go on a campus tour, take a college prep class, or attend a college program over the summer, you can register the experience with us by filling out the [ACE CONFIRMATION FORM](#).



Summer Breeze

Summer breeze...where are you? We hope that you are finding ways to stay cool and connect to things that bring you joy. Time is a gift, and it is constantly moving forward. As another semester looms ahead, you still have the gift of today. Stay mindful friends!

This newsletter is designed to provide updates about summer opportunities in ACE. I am most excited to invite you to apply for our first summer leadership experience, which will be facilitated in person on Wednesday, August, 3 at Ithaca College.

Join us for the inaugural ACE SkillUp Summer Leadership Experience. A majority of our time will be focused on leadership development workshops designed specifically for 9-12 grade students. At the end of the day family members are invited to join us for a campus tour of Ithaca College. Review page two for more details and registration information. A tentative schedule can be found on the [Event Registration website](#) and registration form.

And finally, a note about Orientation. You are only required to attend one orientation virtual session, and are not expected to attend this event every year.

Warmest Regards,
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SkillUp Summer Leadership Experience

Complete the [ACE Registration Form](#) (preferred) or contact us directly via email at ace@cortland.edu.

Registration Deadline: Sunday, July 31, 2022

Program Logistics:

- Date/Time: August 3, 2022 from 11:45am-4:30pm
- A family member must sign in their student at the beginning of the program.
- Lunch will be provided for all students and family members staying on campus.
- There is no formal program designed for family members between 12:30-3:00pm. You are welcome to check in your student and go off campus. Space will also be available for folks who want to work or just hangout on campus.
- A family member must be reachable in case of an emergency.
- Dress is comfortable and casual. If the weather cooperates, we will spend time outside.
- More details will be provided to program participants before the event.

Your College Experience PPT Series

ACE is developing a series of PowerPoint (PPT) presentations to assist in your journey of choosing a college. During these online experiences for both ACE students and family members, you will learn helpful tools and tips you can apply throughout your college planning experience and beyond.

1. Register for the PPTs on the [Events Calendar](#)
2. Presentations and supplemental resources will be emailed in August
3. Review the PPTs on your own time
4. Confirm your "attendance" by completing the reflective evaluation at the end of each PPT. To receive one participation credit, you will need to review two PPT presentations.

PPT Topics

- Choosing a College (summer 2020)
- Organizing Your Search (summer 2020)
- College Visit Preparation: Organization and Example Questions (NEW)
- Self-Care and the College Search (NEW)
- Financing College (pending)
- Picking a Roommate (pending)
- Making Your Decision (pending)
- Other Topics TBD



Expand Your College Application

Summer is an excellent time to rest and recharge. AND this is a good time to continue your college/career journey. Colleges want to know how involved you are within your community and with extracurricular activities. They also notice when you are making the effort to expand and stretch yourself during school breaks.

- Create a service project for yourself or with friends
www.volunteermatch.org/
- Find a job-shadowing opportunity
- Apply for a summer program at a local college
- Start a summer business (entrepreneurship)
- Participate in an ACE experience
- Get Organized
 - SAT/ACT Prep
 - Organize a college research tracking system
 - Create questions for campus tours
 - Develop a [LinkedIn account](#)
 - Start researching scholarships and grants

