LEARN TO CODE AND CHANGE THE WORLD THIS SUMMER!

No experience required! Free to apply and free to attend!

Apply for Girls Who Code's FREE Summer Immersion Program

> *"I had amazing female Black and Latina mentors who are engineers and showed me that, as the first in my family to go to college and the daughter of immigrants from El Salvador, I can be a successful woman of color in the tech world."* — Edie Arteaga, 2017 Summer Immersion Program Graduate

Join us for our **FREE 7-week summer program,** where you'll learn the computer science skills you need to make an impact in your community and be competitive in the job market of the future! In the Summer Immersion Program, you'll learn about:

JOBS
You'll meet female engineers and role models and get an inside look at technical roles in the world's top companies, like Facebook, Twitter, Amazon, and Microsoft.

SKILLS AND IMPACT
You'll learn to code through real-world projects in art and storytelling, robotics, video games, websites, apps, and more—plus, you'll create a final project that solves a real-world problem you care about!

SISTERHOOD
You'll learn in a supportive, girls-only environment and make lifelong friendships!

APPLY NOW FOR SUMMER 2018
girlswhocode.com/sipapply

Early acceptance deadline is February 16, 2018. Application closes March 16, 2018.

Stipends to cover transportation and living expenses are available to those who qualify.

Frequently Asked Questions:

WHAT IS GIRLS WHO CODE?
Girls Who Code is a national non-profit organization working to close the gender gap in technology and change the image of what a programmer looks like and does. Our programs inspire, educate, and equip young women with the computing skills to pursue 21st century opportunities.

WHEN DOES THE APPLICATION OPEN AND WHEN IS IT DUE?
You can apply online at girlswhocode.com/sipapply beginning **January 16, 2018.** First-round applications for early acceptance are due **February 16, 2018 at 11:59 p.m. PST,** and the application closes on **March 16, 2018 at 11:59 p.m. PST.**

WHERE WILL PROGRAMS BE HELD?
We will be hosting Summer Immersion Programs in the following cities between June–August. Exact program dates and locations can be found on the application.

- Atlanta, GA
- Austin, TX
- Boston, MA
- Charlotte, NC
- Chicago, IL
- Dallas, TX
- Irvine, CA
- Jersey City, NJ
- Los Angeles, CA
- Miami, FL
- Newark, NJ
- New York City, NY
- San Francisco Bay Area, CA
- Seattle, WA
- Stamford, CT
- Washington DC

HOW MUCH DOES THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM COST?
The Summer Immersion Program **is FREE to attend** with lunch provided to students each day. We also provide a need-based summer stipend to cover transportation and living costs for students who qualify.

WHAT IS A SUMMER STIPEND?
The summer stipend covers transportation and living costs for Summer Immersion Program students who qualify.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?
The Summer Immersion Program is an introductory program for girls who are new to computer science. To apply, you must be a rising junior or senior in high school and be able to spend all 7 weeks with us. The program is 100% FREE and we also provide need-based summer stipends to cover transportation and living costs. Girls Who Code serves all girls, especially those who:

- Are rising juniors or seniors
- Are underrepresented in computer science and technology fields in terms of race, creed, or background
- Have little to no access or exposure to computer science education in school
- Are Free and Reduced Lunch eligible
- Identify as female regardless of gender assignment at birth or legal recognition

WHAT DOES THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS LOOK LIKE?
All eligible 10th and 11th grade students (rising juniors or seniors) can apply to the Summer Immersion Program online. The application consists of one short-answer question. Girls Who Code does not ask for GPA, transcript, or any recommendations.

WHEN ARE STUDENTS NOTIFIED OF THEIR ACCEPTANCE TO THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?
First-round applicants will be notified of their acceptance by **mid-March.** All students will be notified of their acceptance by **mid-April.** Notifications are sent via email.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FIRST- AND SECOND-ROUND APPLICATIONS?
To qualify as a first-round (or early) applicant, students should apply by the first-round deadline on **February 16.** Early applicants will be notified of their decision by **mid-March,** and second-round applicants will be notified by **mid-April.** Applicants who are waitlisted during first-round decisions will be given priority consideration for admission over second-round applicants.

WILL GIRLS WHO CODE PROVIDE HOUSING FOR THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?
No, we don't provide housing. The Summer Immersion Program is a day program and the vast majority of students apply to a location close to where they live.

I AM GOING TO BE OUT OF TOWN DURING THE PROGRAM. SHOULD I STILL APPLY?
All program participants must be able to commit to attending the entire seven-week program. We hope you'll choose to spend your summer with us. It's worth it!

WHAT WILL GIRLS LEARN IN THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM?
Each week of the program covers projects related to computer science, such as art, storytelling, robotics, video games, and websites. Through those projects, students learn programming languages including Scratch, Python, Arduino C, HTML, CSS, and Javascript. Students also learn about tech careers from guest speakers, participating in workshops, connecting with female engineers and entrepreneurs, and going on field trips. The program culminates in a final project where students work in teams to build a product based on their interests.

ARE BOYS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN GIRLS WHO CODE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAMS?
Our programs are intended for students who identify as female regardless of gender assignment at birth or legal recognition.

I DON'T HAVE ANY CODING EXPERIENCE. SHOULD I STILL APPLY?
Yes, our program is designed for beginners! All you need is a readiness to learn.

I AM NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM. HOW ELSE CAN I GET INVOLVED?
You can join or start a Girls Who Code Club in your area! Clubs are FREE after-school programs for 6–12th grade girls to use computer science to impact their community and join our sisterhood of supportive peers and role models. Learn more and find a Club near you at **www.girlswhocode.com/Clubs.**