



## ABOUT EIU & CHARLESTON

Eastern Illinois University is located in the city of Charleston in Central Illinois. Charleston's historic setting, country charm, and tranquil scenery, coupled with the trademarks of a typical college town, make it a perfect backdrop to enjoy a week studying one of your favorite subjects and meeting students who share your interests.

The campus is conveniently located between three metropolitan areas: 2 hours from St. Louis, 2 hours from Indianapolis, and 3 hours from Chicago. With a train station one town over and airports just an hour or two away, transportation to and from campus is easy.

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# ENGLISH STUDIES CAMP

**FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**  
**JULY 19-25, 2020**

**EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**  
**IS EXCITED TO ONCE AGAIN**  
**OFFER ITS ANNUAL ENGLISH**  
**STUDIES SUMMER CAMP**  
**IN 2020.**

We look forward to welcoming high school students who share our love of reading and writing.

This one-week camp allows students to hone their English skills and explore the potential career benefits of English Studies while providing them with a chance to sample life on a college campus and meet peers with similar interests.

Offering courses that reflect students' interests, our engaged faculty and tranquil setting provide that perfect opportunity for students to have an academically charged summer getaway where they can grow as readers, writers, debaters, and English scholars!

**[eiu.edu/english/camp](http://eiu.edu/english/camp)**

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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The EIU English Studies Summer Camp is a unique program that allows students to customize their program of study, selecting two sessions from a range of offerings in creative writing, literature, professional/academic writing, media studies, and more. Students grow academically and socially as they prepare for college and are mentored by expert faculty who share their passion for reading and writing. Students receive individual attention through small class sizes and gain skills in analyzing and crafting texts and expressing their



ideas both verbally and through writing.

The camp offers two levels of discounted tuition (a residency rate which includes tuition, housing, recreation, and three meals per day, and a commuter rate which includes tuition, some recreational activities, and daily lunches). Scholarships for full or partial funding are available.

## ACTIVITIES

Camp participants will enjoy a range of fun recreational activities starting with the welcome pizza party on Sunday night (an informal meet-and-greet for students and faculty) and ending with the celebration gala on Saturday morning (a public reception where students share their work with their families and the community).

When not in class, students will participate in indoor and outdoor games, movies, picnics, karaoke jam sessions, slam poetry readings at the local coffee shop, and more. EIU admissions and campus tours will be available by appointment on the last day. Living, dining, learning, and socializing together, students will have the opportunity to form lifelong friendships.

## COURSE OFFERINGS

Students will enroll in a morning and afternoon course from the offerings made available. Sessions for the Summer of 2020 include those listed below. Extended course descriptions are listed on the camp website.

- *Hamilton*: Who Tells Our Story? You Do!
- A Novel Idea: How to Get Started, Keep Writing, & Learn about the Book-Publishing Biz
- Trail of a Tale: The Evolution of Fairy Tales and Their Adaptations
- Essays: The Exploration of What We're Thinking and What it Means
- Welcome to Gilead: Are We Living in *The Handmaid's Tale*?
- Creative Nonfiction-Your Story Matters
- Before CSI: The Rise of the Detective in Literature & Society
- Multi-Genre Creative Writing: Chapbook Workshop



## HOW TO APPLY

Students who will be 10th, 11th, or 12th graders, or college freshmen, in the academic year following the camp can apply for admission starting January 15 by completing the following process:

1. Complete the online application at [eiu.edu/english/camp](http://eiu.edu/english/camp).
2. Along with this application, submit a one-page essay explaining your interest in the program.

All applications and supporting materials must be submitted online by May 15. Students will be notified of their session placements by email prior to May 30.

Additional information, including a detailed program schedule and driving directions to campus, will be sent to all students at this time. Confirmation of camp attendance, required paperwork, and full payment will be due by June 10. Payments received after June 10 will be subject to a \$25 late fee.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

We are pleased to offer a variety of full and partial scholarships designed to recognize high achieving students and allow students demonstrating financial need to attend this camp. For more information on these scholarships visit [eiu.edu/english/camp](http://eiu.edu/english/camp). Scholarship applications – including supporting material (e.g. transcript/report card, letter of nomination) – are due by May 15. Notification of scholarships will be included with the notification of acceptance into the camp by May 30.

## REGISTRATION RATES

### RESIDENTIAL RATE: \$350

Includes tuition, supervision, program materials, housing, and meals. Students stay in university residence halls and receive cafeteria-style meals served in the campus dining halls. Students will check in at registration on Sunday late afternoon prior to the opening celebration and will check-out on Saturday early afternoon following the closing reception. Students and families will have the option to attend pre-arranged campus appointments (e.g. admissions, campus tours) Friday or Saturday morning.

### COMMUTER RATE FOR LOCAL STUDENTS: \$225

Includes tuition, program materials, and daily lunches. Commuting students will check in at registration on Sunday late afternoon prior to the opening celebration and thereafter must arrive on campus by 9 am for classes Monday-Friday and depart campus by 5 pm. Students will also attend the closing reception on Saturday morning and have the option to attend pre-arranged campus appointments in the afternoon (e.g. admissions, campus tours).

## STUDENT CANCELLATIONS

Refunds, less a \$25 non-refundable deposit, will be made for cancellations received by June 30. 50% refunds will be issued for cancellations received from July 1-10. Sorry, no refunds will be issued after July 10.



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