



2019 Summer Academy at UGA Financial Assistance Information Sheet

Financial assistance is available for Summer Academy camps in the form of need-based awards. These are awarded based on your demonstrated family income levels and the availability of Financial Aid funds in our program. Not all requests can be approved, and the amount granted may vary. **No full Financial Aid is given. Typically, anywhere from 35%-65% of the program costs will be covered by Summer Academy and the parent must pay the rest.**

Financial Aid may be requested starting on Wednesday, February 6, 2019, once registration is open. There will be a Financial Aid Request packet available for download starting on that day from our website.

To request Financial Assistance, you must do the following on or after Wednesday, February 6, 2019:

1. Fill out the Request for Financial Assistance form and the entire attached "Summer Academy @UGA Enrollment Packet," complete with all waivers.
2. Submit **all forms and a copy of the first two pages of your latest federal tax return** by mail, fax or in person. **Please make sure you delete or hide all SSN numbers (including dependents) before submitting your tax returns. Deadline to submit FA applications is April 5, 2019. Applications after that date will not be considered.**
3. **If there is amplifying information beyond the tax return that reflects the family financial situation, a letter explaining may also be included with the request.**

Eligibility

We consider a lot of variables when determining eligibility for financial assistance, including household income and the number of dependents. For this reason, we require the first two pages of your latest federal tax return be submitted with this request. If you feel that your most recent tax return does not accurately reflect your current status, please submit your latest return along with a letter explaining the situation. In general, a family with one child is considered for a scholarship if their household income is below \$30,000/year.

Note: You cannot both register for a camp and also apply for Financial Aid. The purpose of the Financial Aid program is to allow your child to attend one camp that they would not otherwise be able to attend. If you register for any camps, you will not be eligible for Financial Aid consideration.

What happens after submitting?

- Follow up with our office to confirm receipt of your forms and supporting documentation.
- We will initially review all Financial Aid requests received by **March 5, 2019**, and notifications of assistance will be sent by email within two weeks.
- Requests received between **March 6 and April 5, 2019**, will be considered on a first come basis for remaining Financial Aid spaces. Notifications will be sent by email within two weeks.
- You will need to pay any remaining amount of the registration fee not covered by your assistance. Upon notification, you will have 48 hours to respond and pay the remaining registration fee for the camp (or at least 50% of the remaining fee, with the rest due no later than three weeks before the camp begins). Financial Aid never covers the entire cost of the program, so you should be prepared to pay 35-65% of the cost of the camp.
- If you do not receive Financial Aid, you may register for the camp at the full rate (if camp is full, you may request to be added to the waiting list).
- **Note: Financial Aid funding may be expended prior to the end of the Financial Aid period; once all funding has been given, there will be no additional Financial Aid awards. Submit your request as soon as possible.**

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