



Application for Admission
Due May 1st, 2024

Program Dates
July 7, 2024- July 19, 2024

MISSION

Rowan University's STEAM Academy educates and empowers high achieving students across disciplines in a summer program that helps sharpen scholastic interests for college and enables higher level students to earn transferable college credits.

STEM + Art = STEAM

Open to students in grades 7 through 12, Rowan's STEAM Academy features instruction by top University faculty in Science, technology, engineering, & math (STEM) plus the arts to help students explore and identify areas of interest for success in college and careers.

Divided by grade and ability level, the program admits students to one of three groups: Voyagers (grades 7-9), Navigators (rising high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors) and Pathfinders (a demanding, research-focused track for rising high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors.)

Our Programs

Voyagers: For students entering 7th through 9th grades. Voyagers features STEAM lessons in a hands-on holistic day program. Each day includes breakfast, two morning academic sessions, lunch, and a scholar-leader session for personal development. Voyagers is a gateway into STEAM subjects created to inspire curiosity and academic independence.

Navigators: Our oldest and most popular track, Navigators is open to rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors and is the closest high school students can get to an early college experience.

Each day, students take part in an official, accredited Rowan University course and have time each afternoon for personal and academic development including workshops and guidance on career counseling, standardized test preparation, conflict resolution, and leadership training.

Weekends are option. Those who stay have opportunities for field trips too such destinations as Edelman Fossil Park & Museum of Rowan University, Ritz Theater Company, local restaurants, and community events

Pathfinders: Our most academically challenging option, Pathfinders provides high-achieving sophomores, juniors, and seniors a unique opportunity to pursue research in fields they are interested in with individualized support from a Rowan faculty member. Pathfinders students take part in an official, accredited Rowan University course in the mornings with structured afternoons that include opportunities for scholar-leader development. Pathfinders students stay on campus, dine in Rowan cafeterias and, most importantly, prepare for college-level academic success. Like Voyagers and Navigators, students in the Pathfinders program follow a two-week schedule but will be required to stay on campus for the weekend as well.

DETAILS AND APPLICATION PROCESS

Voyagers

Dates: July 8-12, 15-16, 2024

Eligibility: Students entering 7th - 9th grades in Fall 2024 with a GPA of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale

Requirements:

- **Completed Application Form (page 4)**
- **Written Recommendation from Teacher OR School Counselor (page 6 or page 8, choose one)**
- **Middle School Transcript/Grade Record if transcript is not applicable**
- **Brief autobiographical sketch (100-200 words) including personal background and characteristics**

Navigation

Dates: July 7- 19, 2024

Eligibility: Students entering 10th, 11th, and 12th grades in Fall 2024 with a GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale

Requirements:

- **Completed Application Form (page 4)**
- **Written Recommendation from School Counselor (page 6)**
- **Written Recommendation from Teacher (page 8)**
- **High School Transcript**
- **Brief autobiographical sketch (100-200 words) including personal background, personality, and interests**
- **Essay (200-250 words) explaining interest in attending the STEAM Academy and how this experience will benefit you.**

Pathways

Dates: July 7-19, 2024

Eligibility: Students entering 10th, 11th, and 12th grades in Fall 2024 with a GPA of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale

Requirements:

- **Completed Application Form (page 4)**
- **Written Recommendation from School Counselor (page 6)**
- **Written Recommendation from Teacher (page 8)**
- **High School Transcript**
- **Brief autobiographical sketch (100-200 words) that includes personal background and characteristics**
- **Essay (200-250 words) explaining interest in attending the STEAM Academy and how this experience will benefit you**
- **Essay (200-250 words) detailing personal interest in pursuing research in specific STEAM subjects.**

STEAM Academy 2024 Application

The application deadline is May 1, 2024 | Please type or print clearly.

Date: _____	Name: _____ <i>Last First Middle</i>
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SSN: _____	Birthdate: _____ MM/DD/YYYY	Gender: M ___ F ___ Self-Describe: _____	Current Grade: _____
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Permanent Street Address: _____ _____ _____ <i>City State Zip</i>	Phone Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____
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Have You attended the STEAM Academy before? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Which program(s) are you applying to? Please indicate 1st and 2nd choice if applying to both Navigation and Pathways. <input type="checkbox"/> Voyagers <input type="checkbox"/> Navigation <input type="checkbox"/> Pathways
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If you are applying to Navigation or Pathways please select which program session you would like to attend.

Navigation:

Morning session 8am-12pm Daily session 8am-5pm . Weekly Session Residential Full Residential

Pathways: Weekly Session Residential Full Residential

Parent/ Legal Guardian Contact Information

Name (s): _____ _____	Relationship to application: _____
Preferred Phone Number: Secondary Phone Number:	E-mail Address: _____

I give permission for my child to attend the Rowan STEAM Academy from July 7-19, 2024, I authorize the release of all necessary information, including grades and test scores.

Parent/ Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Demographic Information

Are you a U.S. Citizen?

Yes No

Please use the following to describe yourself:

American Indian Asian
African-American Caucasian
Native-Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander
Latino or Hispanic Other:

School Information

Current School: _____

School Address: _____

_____ _____ _____
City State Zip

School Counselor: _____

Will you be attending the same school in Fall 2024? If not, please specify where?

Admission Requirements | Documents Required in addition to completed application

GPA meeting minimum program requirements

Brief autobiographical sketch (100-200 words, typed) including personal background and characteristic

All other essays required by your program of choice, typed (see page 4)

Recommendation forms completed and signed (1 teacher and/or school counselor depending on program of choice.

An official school transcripts or report card

Submission | Please email completed application to:

Contact Information:
Melissa Cosgrove, STEAM Academy Coordinator
(856) 256-5242
CosgroveM@rowan.edu

STEAM Academy 2024 | Counselor Recommendation Form

For the counselor: Your candid response to the questions in this form will help us to evaluate the applicant's qualifications for admission to the STEAM Academy. Please return this completed and signed form to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature written across the seal, or email it to us directly at CosgroveM@rowan.edu. Thank you for providing this information.

Application deadline is May 1, 2024.

Student's name: _____

Students home address: _____

City *State* *Zip*

How long have you known the applicant and in which context?

Applicant's Cumulative GPA: _____

Does this applicant receive free or reduced lunch? Free Reduced No

Has the candidate ever been found responsible for a disciplinary violation at your school, whether related to academic misconduct or behavioral misconduct that resulted in the application's probation. Yes No

To your knowledge, has the candidate ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony, or other crime? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" to either question, please attach an explanation of the circumstances including the approximate date of each incident.

**Compared to other students in the applicant's class,
how do you rate this student in terms of:**

Please check applicable box in each row	Excellent (Top 10%)	Good	Average	Below Average	No Basis for Judgment
Attendance					
Academic Achievement					
Initiative					
Leadership					
Concern for others					
Emotional stability					
Respect for others					
Independence					
Integrity					
Service to others					

I recommend this student:

Without reservation With reservation (please comment)

Do not recommend (please comment)

Comments:

Counselor's name: _____ Counselor's signature: _____

School: _____ Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Please submit this form with a copy of the student's transcript or grade history, including current grades.

STEAM Academy 2024 | Teacher Recommendation Form

For the teacher: Your candid response to the questions in this form will help us to evaluate the applicant's qualifications for admission to the STEAM Academy. Please return this completed and signed form to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature written across the seal, or email it to us directly at CosgroveM@rowan.edu. Thank you for providing this information. **Application deadline is May 1, 2024**

Student's name: _____

Students home address: _____

City *State* *Zip*

How long have you known the applicant and in which context?

Applicant's Cumulative GPA: _____

Teacher name: _____ Subject Area: _____

I have known the applicant for: less than one year one to two years more than two years

Does this applicant receive free or reduced lunch? Free Reduced No

**Compared to other students in the applicant's class,
how do you rate this student in terms of:**

Please check applicable box in each row	Excellent (Top 10%)	Good	Average	Below Average	No Basis for Judgment
Attendance					
Academic Achievement					
Initiative					
Leadership					
Concern for others					
Emotional stability					
Respect for others					
Independence					
Integrity					
Service to others					

I recommend this student:

- Without reservation With reservation (please comment)
- Do not recommend (please comment)

Comments:

Teacher's name: _____ Teacher's signature: _____

School: _____ Phone number: _____

Email address: _____