

SUMMER ACADEMY

EMORY UNIVERSITY, ATLANTA, GA | JULY 7-20, 2024

Ask questions about faith and the world without fear of being judged. Learn how to do something about the suffering you see in the world. Experience a safe taste of college life with a diverse group of teenagers.

YTI's Summer Academy is an opportunity to explore how faith relates to your passion and purpose in life. It is a space to explore deep questions alongside peers with diverse perspectives. YTI scholars come from a vast spectrum of theological views and racial and cultural backgrounds.

Everyone belongs at YTI.

We believe that teenagers are already-whole human beings, living in some of the most important years of your lives. This is why we introduce you to theological skills usually reserved for adults.

YTI is a place where you can come and ask your own questions, learn from others through community, and leave with deeper clarity about your own faith.

YTI is not like school and it's not like "church camp." During the academy, you live with other teens and caring adults in an intentional community on Emory's campus. We learn in uniquely engaging ways. We play, we hang out, and we worship together.

1 Workshops

Emory professors provide workshops on tools used by theologians, ethicists, and other scholars to explore the Bible, the Church, and what it means to live out your faith in the world.

2 Worship

We have regular worship services designed by you and your peers with creative help from mentors.

3 Local adventures

We take trips off campus to do things like explore the history of downtown Atlanta, delve into issues in the Weelaunee Forest, visit a Hindu temple, or learn about community organizing.

4 Building new friendships

We have morning gatherings, coffee houses, group games, pool parties, and a number of other group activities. During your free time, you can visit a coffee shop, go running, play basketball, do an art project, or just hang out with friends and mentors who care about you and talk to you as an equal.

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