

**Week 1: June 5-9, 2017**  
**9:00am to 3:00pm**

Week 1 Morning Sessions: 9-11:45am (7)

**The Odyssey of Captain America**

*Teacher: Rick Williams*

No modern hero emulates the spirit of Homer's *Odyssey* as well as Captain America. Steve Rogers was "born" into a world in which the ideal of the American Dream was as formative and motivating as ever experienced by noble Greek. His mettle and values--tested in his own *Iliad*, the Second World War--lay dormant during his post-war "great sleep." Since his revival in the turbulent sixties (more recently in the cinematic universe), Cap's life has certainly been, in one definition of "odyssey," "a series of adventures marked by many changes of fortune." In this class we will trace the highlights of this heroic 75-year journey, look at ways this fictional hero has reflected changes in American culture, and consider the impact of these changes on the Living Legend himself.

**Detective Training**

*Teacher: Coral Lumbley*

Who stole the queen's diamond necklace? Why are there footprints leading to the bank safe but none leading away? Want to learn how to analyze clues to solve these mysteries? Taking cues from detectives like Sherlock Holmes and Nancy Drew, we will study how detective stories began and how they work. Students will put their knowledge to practical use as they study suspicious clues, use mysterious riddles to find hidden objects, and write and illustrate their own detective stories. The week will culminate with a puzzling quest for a prize-filled treasure box.

**Life Lessons through Disney**

*Teacher: Janai Rodriguez*

We've grown up watching Disney movies and envisioning ourselves as some of the characters. Not only do we enjoy these films, but we often relate to them as well. What lessons can Disney movies teach us? We will use classic and contemporary films to think critically about morals, ethics, social justice, and our character and personal development.

**Aerospace Engineering**

*Teacher: Elle Wroblewski, M.S.*

Challenge your creative abilities by spending the week designing and experimenting with your own wooden gliders, miniature parachutes, Alka-Seltzer rockets, and paper helicopters. Participate in design activities that teach the fundamentals of Aerospace Engineering, while also demonstrating the importance of creativity and innovation as you design. Solve orbit problems like Katherine Johnson from *Hidden Figures* with a step-by-step math workshop. Learn about how rockets were developed in China and how they are used today. Discover how jet engines work, how to collect data and run experiments as well as the history and future of air and space technology. Believe it or not, all of this in one week!

**Sports and Fitness**

*Teacher: Joel Beesley*

Join in training activities to improve your personal fitness level. Play a variety of sports such as running, dodge ball, basketball, soccer, baseball and kickball that will help you enjoy an active life style. Explore basic sports nutrition concepts and determine what role these play in an athlete's nutritional needs. If you love sports, you will love this class.

**Architectural Drawing**

*Teacher: Lisa Evans*

Learn to make dynamic architectural drawings while studying the world-class architecture on the U of I campus. This workshop will involve daily sketching trips to campus sites to enjoy the visual language of architecture plus in-classroom instruction on how to achieve realistic three-dimensional effects using perspective, value and proportion. We will explore pencil, ink and watercolor painting. Whether you want to be an architect or just learn to draw better, you'll improve your art skills while enjoying the great outdoors.

**Robotics**

*Teachers: Martin Grosman, Chloe Pollock-Muskin, Isandro Malik*

Learn the basics of Robotics and Engineering. Students will work in teams to construct a robot that completes a series of challenges. Each challenge is designed to expose our students to a new facet of robotics, ranging from basic programming, to sensor usage, to structural integrity. No prior experience is required, as the class begins with a crash course on all the parts and their respective functionalities.

## Week 1 Afternoon Sessions: 12:15-3pm (6)

### **Illinois Adventures**

*Teacher: Rick Williams*

Illinois may be known as the “Land of Lincoln,” but there’s much more to Illinois history than “Honest Abe.” Lois A. Carrier, in her 1998 history, described Illinois as the “Crossroads of a Continent.” Many momentous national events have Illinois connections, and its cultural identity has been shaped by national trends as much as its geography is shaped by the great waterways of the “Inland Empire.” Illinois is home to remnants of a great ancient civilization and French colonial culture, African-American enslavement and emancipation, landmarks agricultural, immigration, urbanization, and education. This class will be an exploration of Illinois history and culture using documents, maps, and state historic sites as our sources.

### **Magical and Medieval Beasts**

*Teacher: Coral Lumbley*

Due to high demand, Hogwarts professors have decided to offer an extension course on magical creatures to students not enrolled at their school, i.e. muggles. In this course, students will learn about the magical beasts found in *Fantastic Beasts & Where to Find Them* and the *Harry Potter* series by J.K. Rowling.\* Students, then, will explore the historical and folkloric sources of the creatures they encounter as found in medieval literature, mythology, and bestiaries. Along the way, students will work on creating their own guide on magical creatures, as well as experiencing some of the highlights of Hogwarts!

\*Recommended: Read *Fantastic Beasts & Where to Find Them* and *Harry Potter & the Sorcerer’s Stone* before class begins.

### **Costume Accessories: Masks, Crowns, Shields and Scepters**

*Teacher: Lisa Evans*

Bring a favorite character from history alive! Employ mixed media techniques to create fun and wearable fantasy gear. If you like making theatrical accessories or just want to get an early start on that perfect Halloween costume, you’ll learn how to achieve great artistic effects through assemblage and faux painting techniques in this class.

### **Summer Camp Activities and Games**

*Teacher: Janai Rodriguez*

This course aims to incorporate activities and games that one might engage in if they were away at a summer camp. From arts and crafts projects to outdoor group challenges, this course will bring back the nostalgia of those summer camp days! Bring your creativity and sunscreen as we will participate in both indoor and outdoor adventures.

### **Fun with Japanese**

*Teachers: Elizabeth Atkinson, Alyssa Rauschenberger, Macheila Anderson, Irina Cheng, and Mari Innami.*

Explore the rich culture, traditions, history, and language of Japan. Have fun learning the basics of the Japanese language and writing system, and a variety of fundamental sentence structures and expressions, in addition to becoming familiar with how to write a few simple and fun *kanji*. We will explore Japanese culture and traditions through learning about traditional holidays, art, food, and games. Join us for a week of fun, learning, and activities!

### **Introduction to Arabic Language and Culture**

*Teacher: Eman Saadah*

Are you interested in learning a new language and exploring other cultures? This interactive course aims to provide an overview of the diverse cultures of the Arab world, introducing its music, foods, etc. Students will learn about the different aspects of the Arabic language, focusing on sounds, script, and, most importantly, how to communicate in Arabic. This will be a fun-filled week in which students will be able to speak, read, and write Arabic at an introductory level.

Download registration forms at <https://uni.illinois.edu/camp>.