





# SPIS - Summer Program for Incoming Students

Department of Computer Science and Engineering Jacobs School, UCSD

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# What is SPIS?

- Five-week summer residential program for UCSD incoming freshmen
- An introduction to Computer Science and Engineering and UCSD
- With a focus on applications, critical thinking, and analytical problem solving, via exciting projects

# Goals of SPIS

- To motivate the study of computer science and inspire students about computer science
- To develop skills and attitudes for success in college
- To smooth the transition to UCSD

# Features of SPIS

Individual attention

Cohesive curriculum focusing on analytical thinking

Open-ended projects that encourage individual initiative

#### Additional Features

- Includes a series of lectures and demonstrations about the exciting and varied career opportunities in CSE
- Helps students to transition to the academic and cultural life at UCSD
- Provides personal mentoring and attention
- Embeds social activities

# What you can expect of SPIS

- A solid foundation in computer science and engineering
- Project-based learning
- Broad exposure to CSE
- Gain skills in problem solving and programming
- Develop personal and social skills
- A smooth transition to UCSD

# **Details**

- SPIS 2016 will start on July 31<sup>st</sup> and runs through September 2nd
- 5-week fully residential program
- Total fee: \$2000 (covers program, room, board, books and supplies expenses)
- A number of scholarships to offset the fee

#### **Process**

- Students need to apply to the program
- Selection will be based on
  - Experience in computer science
  - Extent to which the student will benefit from SPIS
  - Rank of the graduating high-school
- Application is available at <a href="http://spis.ucsd.edu">http://spis.ucsd.edu</a>

# Schedule

- Official launch: April 5, 2016
- Application deadline: May 8, 2016
- Admission and scholarship notification: May 23-30, 2016
- Acceptance confirmation and initial fee (\$250) payment deadline: June 6, 2016
- Registration and fee payment (\$1,750) deadline: June 15, 2016
- SPIS Welcome Day: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016
- SPIS Closing Ceremony: September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016
- Check <a href="http://spis.ucsd.edu">http://spis.ucsd.edu</a> for the latest information

#### For Students

SPIS will be a fun way to spend your summer immersed in computer science and engineering



#### For Parents

- We strongly believe that parental commitment is a key to the student's success
- Hope you will support by sending your child to the program

#### **Contact**

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Questions?