Program Information

Fee*: $100 per participant
Dates: July 13-17, 2015
Time: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Lunch time: 12:00-2:00 PM
Bring your own lunch

Lunch time activities include:
- Visit to UCA Planetarium
- Campus Tour
- Group Photo
- Information on Math & Science programs at UCA
- Visit Chemistry and Biology Labs

Location:
Math and Computer Science Building

Eligibility:
Participant must be a 9th, 10th, or 11th grade student during 2015-16 school year.

Deadline for application:
June 13, 2015

*A limited number of fee waivers are available. For more information please call the number listed in the contact information.

Activities
The MSIT’15 Program will offer enriched activities for 9th, 10th, & 11th grade students in central Arkansas in mathematics and related fields of science. The MSIT’15 Program provides a setting that is conducive to active learning and the exchange of ideas related to theory and practice in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Our dynamic instructional environment integrates topics related to sciences and mathematics with hands-on activities. See the other side of this brochure for the activities and descriptions. All sessions will be conducted by UCA professors.

General Information
While some refreshments will be provided, participants should bring their own lunch. Students will have computers available for computations. All activities will be conducted in the Mathematics and Computer Science building and Lewis Science Center at UCA. A map of the university will be included in the registration packet to show the drop-off and pick-up points for students. Applications will be processed in the order received. We encourage students to apply as soon as possible as space is limited. Preference will be given to students in central Arkansas.

Contact Information
Complete information about the MSIT’15 Program (such as more detailed description, activities, and application materials) is available on our Website: www.uca.edu/math/news/

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MSIT’15 Academy
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Mathematics, Science, & Information Technology Summer Academy July 13-17, 2015

Presented by Department of Mathematics & UCA STEM Institute
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Web Programming Using HTML, Javascript and PHP
Dr. Mark Smith (Computer Science Faculty)

This workshop applies the most popular Web technologies and services used in building an e-commerce website is offered. Web technologies such as HTML 5, Cascading Style Sheets (CSS), Javascript, PHP, along with web services provided from Google and PayPal provide students with all the tools needed to build a complete and functional e-commerce website. Students will also utilize web development tools while creating their own Blog. The course will be conducted in a hands-on computer laboratory setting provided and maintained by the UCA Math Department. Students will fully implement and test their website using Visual Studio before publishing it to a free web-hosting site that supports PHP.

Coding and Decoding Secret Messages
Dr. R. Garimella & Dr. R.B. Lenin (Math Faculty)

Coding and decoding, also known as Cryptography, is the art of secret communication. It involves transforming a plain message into a jumbled text so that no one other than the intended receiver will be able to decipher and comprehend the message.

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