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Best Summer Programs for Computer Science

Computer Science is a highly-competitive major and gaining admission into a CS program at an elite university can be an epic task. One way teen programming whizzes can distinguish themselves is by spending their high school summers in a productive way that shows an admissions committee their passion and hunger to advance their CS-related knowledge and skills.

Our list of the Best Summer Programs for Computer Science is comprised of 34 stellar programs that range in duration, cost, and eligibility criteria but all share one key trait—quality. Each of the aforementioned data points are provided for each school along with the location of the program, whether they offer a residential experience, and when the application window opens and closes. Also highlighted for our readers are the dates that applications become available, the deadlines, whether residential housing is offered, and the geographic location where the program takes place. Regardless of which program on this list you ultimately apply to, you will be in for a fruitful experience that will also simultaneously bolster your college admissions prospects.

Program	Location	Residential	Focus	Length
Boston	Boston Metro			1 or 2



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Boston Leadership Institute	Boston Metro, MA	Yes	Multiple (including CS)	1 or 3 weeks
Boston University High School Honors	Boston, MA	Yes	Multiple (including CS)	5 weeks
Boston University RISE	Boston, MA	Yes	Multiple (including CS)	5 weeks
Carnegie Mellon National High School Game Academy	Pittsburgh, PA	Yes	Computer Science	6 weeks
Champlain College Pre-College Summer Programs	Burlington, VT	Yes	Computer Science	2 weeks
Columbia Summer Programs	New York, NY	Yes	Multiple (including CS)	3 weeks
Cooper Union Summer STEM Program	New York, NY	No	Engineering/Computer Science	3, 4, 6 weeks
Cornell				