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STEM Programs for High School Students Available at El Camino College

High school students can discover careers in fields like biology, engineering, physics, mathematics, or computer science during the 2016 STEM Young Scholars Summer Program at El Camino College.

During the **free** four-week program, students will hear from guest speakers, take part in handson experiments and take field trips to learn more about Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields and industries.

Applicants must have completed one year of high school sciences. Program coordinator Josefina Bedolla said the program will introduce students to careers they may not have imagined, and offers a look at the opportunities in modern science.

"This program opens many doors and allows students the chance to explore different fields so they can see what today's careers look like in math and science," Bedolla added. "They realize that these interesting careers are out there, and that it is a possibility for their future."

The program runs July 5 to 28. Students will meet Mondays and Wednesdays for presentations, speakers or workshops. Field trips on Thursdays will include the Discovery Cube science museum, Disneyland to meet with engineers to learn how the rides work, and UCLA to meet professors and tour the California Nanosystems Institute.

Speakers will include an entomologist, an engineer from Northrop Grumman, and an FBI agent, who will share specific information about career opportunities in the field of investigations, engineering, computer science and informational technology.

Orientation for the program is set for 1:30 p.m. July 5 in the Alondra Room, on the second floor of the Bookstore Building at El Camino College.

The deadline to apply to the STEM Young Scholars Summer Program is June 8. To learn more about the program or to apply, visit www.elcamino.edu/academics/stem/youngscholars.asp or contact Josefina Bedolla at jbedolla@elcamino.edu.