

## What does West Point's Summer Leaders Seminar offer?

The seminar offers a variety of courses from which to choose. Classes are small, and our instructors are very helpful. Do you like the basic sciences, mathematics or perhaps engineering? Do you prefer the humanities, modern languages or psychology? It's up to you. Whichever you decide, you will get hands-on experiences, including many in the academy's modern computer and laboratory facilities.

The Summer Leaders Seminar offers a concentrated week of academic, athletic, military, and social experiences at West Point. Students will enjoy the academy's academic offerings and see West Point's leadership program in action through the cadets who help coordinate the seminar activities. When you arrive on Saturday, you begin a week of academic classes, military training, sports, tours, and a boat ride on the Hudson River. You will also take the Candidate Fitness Assessment test, a requirement for admission to West Point. Cadets will lead you, organize recreation activities, and help you in the cadet dormitories.

The cadets you will meet will be beginning their final years at West Point. They will answer any questions you have about West Point or the Army. Every cadet likes to talk about the academy experience. You will be surprised at what you learn.

## What does West Point have to offer?

Thomas Jefferson fervently hoped that this nation's foundation would be built on the strength of a well-educated citizenry. Today our nation's colleges are doing just that, educating a far more diverse student body than ever before. West Point, likewise, enrolls a supremely talented and diverse student body from all 50 states.

As part of the talented, diverse high school student body, it's time for you to consider the future. In continuing to ask yourself important questions about your college decisions, consider these:

- ◆ What is the difference between one college and another?
- ◆ What is the strength of their academic programs?
- ◆ What unique programs would be most beneficial for me?
- ◆ What will life be like at each college?
- ◆ Will this environment benefit my academic goals?

This is where West Point's Summer Leaders Seminar really helps.

### For more information contact:

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**To apply: [www.admissions.usma.edu](http://www.admissions.usma.edu)  
and click on Summer Leaders Seminar at West Point.**

For additional information or questions go to the Admissions website: [www.admissions.usma.edu](http://www.admissions.usma.edu) and use Virtual Advisor.



# United States Military Academy

## Summer Leaders Seminar 2009

**May 30-June 5**

**June 6-12**



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## Are you thinking about college?

As a successful junior beginning the college-selection process, you will probably ask yourself these questions at least once during the next six months:

- ◆ Should I consider a large university or small college?
- ◆ Can I handle the academic workload?
- ◆ Which colleges offer the best academic opportunity to pursue my career choice?
- ◆ Am I prepared to seek admission at some of the best colleges in the country?

The college-selection process is one of the most important decision-making experiences you will face at this stage of your life. Your answers to the questions above will determine your career direction, and lay the foundation for your future success. It is important that the answers be your own. To make sure you make the right decisions, you should find out as much as you can about college life.

## How do you find out more about college life? Visit colleges!

Research shows that students who take the time to find out as much as possible about colleges under consideration make better decisions on their college choice and have greater success. Do not simply rely on college alumni or college guides to make your college decision. Visit colleges. Talk to students and faculty members. Are you comfortable with the college environment, since it will be your home for the next four years?

West Point offers outstanding juniors the opportunity to experience cadet life at the academy by attending the Summer Leaders Seminar.

**NOTE:** If offered admission to the West Point Summer Leaders Seminar, you must notify the Admissions Office of your acceptance by the date indicated in your acceptance letter, or the offer will be withdrawn.



## Why consider attending the Summer Leaders Seminar?

By attending the West Point Summer Leaders Seminar, you gain a better understanding of the academic opportunities at a service academy. In a small way you will see the importance of developing leaders at one of the most respected academic institutions in the country.

West Point was named the #1 Public College in the nation (Forbes.com) and the #1 Public Liberal Arts College in the nation (U.S. News and World Report) in 2008. The academy ranks among the top five in the nation in producing Rhodes scholars and Hertz fellowships. Many seniors are also selected for Marshall, Gates Cambridge, Truman, East-West Center and National Science Foundation fellowships and scholarships.

By applying to the Summer Leaders Seminar you are also opening an admissions file at the academy. Consider joining us at West Point. We believe you will thoroughly enjoy meeting some of the brightest students from our nation's high schools.

Students from all over the nation attend the Summer Leaders Seminar, allowing you to be introduced to a completely different college experience. You will obtain a better understanding of the importance of leadership and how you can help yourself and your country.

There are two sessions of the Summer Leaders Seminar scheduled in 2009. The first session begins Saturday, May 30 and ends Friday, June 5. The second sessions starts on Saturday, June 6 and concludes on Friday, June 12.

About 400 students are selected from applicants nationwide to attend each of the sessions. The cost is \$325, excluding transportation costs to and from West Point. Students are offered admission to the Summer Leaders Seminar on a rolling basis, so complete your online application as soon as possible. Application deadline is April 1.

Students must apply on line at our website: [www.admissions.usma.edu](http://www.admissions.usma.edu).

