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Understanding “The Sorcerer’s Stone” Through Literature, Writing, and Science

Exploring Harry Potter: The Sorcerer’s Stone

June 29-July 2, 2015



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GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION: Enrollment is limited. Please register early; students are admitted on a first-come, first-served basis. This program is a commuter program and is limited to 24 students. The commuter fee includes instruction, supplies, and lunch. Please mail the registration form with a check or credit card information to **Study Abroad & Outreach, Horrabin Hall 8, Western Illinois University, 1 University Circle, Macomb, IL 61455-1390**, or fax your registration with credit card information to **(309) 298-2854**. Please duplicate the registration form for additional registrations or register online at wiu.edu/summeryouth.

PAYMENT: The full commuter fee is \$249. Parents who wish to use a Payment Plan may send a \$100 deposit at the time of registration up to 60 days before the program start date. Fifty percent of the registration fee is due at 60 days prior to the program, and full payment is due 30 days before the start of the program.

LOCATION: The program is a commuter program on the WIU-Macomb campus. Classes are held in Horrabin and Currens Halls and meet Monday through Thursday. Typical program days follow regular school hours.

MEDICAL/ADA COMPLIANCE: Students do not qualify for University health care, so parents should check family insurance policies for health and accident coverage.

ADA COMPLIANCE: Western Illinois University is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Please let the Study Abroad & Outreach staff know how we can accommodate any special needs students may have at least two weeks prior to the program start date. Our office number is **(309) 298-1911**, and the toll free number is **(866) 933-8964**.

REFUND POLICY: WIU reserves the right to withdraw a program because of unforeseen circumstances or insufficient enrollment. If a program is withdrawn, participants are notified and fees are refunded. A \$50 fee is charged to participants who cancel after Friday, June 12, 2015. **No refunds will be made on or after Wednesday, June 24, 2015.**

FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information, call the Study Abroad & Outreach office at **(309) 298-1911** or toll free at **(866) 933-8964**.

Western Illinois University is an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity employer with a strong commitment to diversity. In that spirit, we are particularly interested in receiving applications from a broad spectrum of people, including, but not limited to, minorities, women, and individuals with disabilities. WIU has a non-discrimination policy that includes sex, race, color, sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression, religion, age, marital status, national origin, disability, and veteran status.

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THE PROGRAM

Western Illinois University's summer **Exploring Harry Potter** program is specifically designed to stimulate and challenge students who read and enjoy the Harry Potter series. Under the guidance of members of WIU's English and Chemistry departments, students expand their enjoyment of the Harry Potter series while at the same time gaining valuable skills in literature, writing, science, and film studies.

PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

Participating students must be in the fifth, sixth, or seventh grades in January 2015. Gifted status or minimum qualifying scores on standardized tests are not requirements; however, this is not a remedial program. Participants should have sufficient curiosity, motivation, achievement level, and maturity to benefit from the program. The student must be recommended for the program by a teacher or school administrator as indicated on the registration form. We take these recommendations seriously and may call for further information regarding the student's background. A recommendation to the program does not guarantee acceptance; recommended students are admitted on a first-come, first-served basis.

SPECIAL FEATURES

Faculty from WIU's Departments of English and Chemistry teach the instructional portions of the program. All classroom and laboratory instruction are done in WIU's electronic classrooms in Horrabin Hall or in the Currens Hall laboratories. The program offers students an exciting introduction to the university environment. All faculty and their assistants share a particular interest in teaching young students and are dedicated to helping further each student's interest and enjoyment of Harry Potter.

TOPICS

Literature: During this session, we will learn more about J.K. Rowling and what inspired her to write the Harry Potter series. We will delve into *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*, examining what brought Harry to Hogwarts. We will examine the language of wizardry, potions, and Hogwarts. We will determine our house and discuss the rules of Hogwarts and what it means to be a wizard. We will also explore the role of friendship and how the first book in this series lays a foundation for the next books.

Writing: In this session, you'll learn how to create characters as complex as Harry, Hermione, and Ron. We'll paint, with words, a setting as magical as Hogwarts, and set forth our characters into marvelous and magical adventures. You'll become acquainted with all of the tools J.K. Rowling has in her writing toolbox and will use them to tell stories that are uniquely your own. Unleash your imagination and let your creativity soar as we study and practice the art of storytelling!

Science: We will have the opportunity to learn to create some of the "magic" effects involved in the Harry Potter movies. We will learn to write and develop secret messages using acid and base chemistry. We will examine whether it is possible to fly using a broomstick as well as study the consequences of gravity. Finally, we will mix and create potions in the chemistry labs of Currens Hall!

Film: Fantasy films in particular require convincing settings, composition, and subjects that allow us to be immersed in the created world. We will view clips from several Harry Potter movies to understand the use of the camera and special effects. We also will learn how music, dialogue, sound, and editing aid in creating the wonderful fantasy world of Harry Potter!

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For more information about **Exploring Harry Potter: The Sorcerer's Stone**, visit us at wiu.edu/summeryouth.

REGISTRATION – Exploring Harry Potter: The Sorcerer's Stone

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Student Name		
Address		
City/State/Zip Code		
Phone Number (include area code)		
E-Mail Address		
Gender	Age	January 2015 Grade
Roommate Preference (if any)		Adult T-Shirt Size
How did you hear about the program?		

Parent or Guardian		
1. I attest that this student is sufficiently mature to benefit from this program and to observe program rules.		
2. I understand and accept all program policies and conditions as set forth in this brochure.		
Parent or Guardian Signature		
Parent or Guardian Name (printed)		
Teacher or School Administrator		
This student meets the participation criteria for the Exploring Harry Potter: The Sorcerer's Stone program. I hereby recommend the student for acceptance.		
Teacher or Administrator Signature		
Teacher or Administrator Name (printed)		
Title	School/City/State	
Phone Number (include area code)	E-Mail	
You may also register online by visiting wiu.edu/summeryouth .		
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Card No.	Exp. Date	CV Code (3 digits)
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