



# Gulliver Preparatory Summer Studies Course Catalog 2019

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## Introduction

The Gulliver Prep Summer Studies program offers a broad spectrum of courses, ranging from electives to honors, from readiness to college writing, and from favorites like Field Studies in Marine Science to new classes like the PODCAST Bootcamp en Español Honors. Some classes, such as the Reading and Writing Lab and the Math Lab, are designed to build the skills necessary for ninth grade students to meet with success as they transition into Gulliver's rigorous academic program. Other courses are constructed to enrich students and prepare them to advance into higher-level classes in the Honors and IB tracks. Pursuing these courses during the summer enables students to accommodate more electives during the regular school year. The Prep Summer Studies program provides unique academic opportunities that combine intensive academics, small-group learning and individual attention in a range from two to six-week courses.

### **Registration Deadline: Friday, May 24, 2019**

Courses will take place only if a sufficient number of students enroll by this date.

### **Session Dates**

**Session 1:** Monday, June 3, 2019 to Friday, June 21, 2019

**Session 2:** Monday, June 24, 2019 to Friday, July 12, 2019

**Full Session:** Monday, June 3 2019 to Friday, July 12, 2019

**Mid Session:** Dates vary; see course description for details.

No classes on July 4-5 in observance of Independence Day.

### **Contact Information**

**Prep Summer Studies Registrar:** Ms. Gloria Rodriguez, 305.666.7937 ext. 1409

**Prep Summer Studies Coordinator:** Ms. Alina Gonzalez, 305.666.7937 ext. 1672



## Course Offerings

### English

#### College Application Essay Writing

**Date and Time:**

- Session 1
- 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- Entering Grade 12 only

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$625

**Description:**

This course is offered to rising seniors who want to significantly improve the quality of their college application essays but do not have the time to do so during the regular year. The aspects of writing a college essay that are of greatest importance are emphasized, including organization, creativity, economy of words, and personal story. By the end of this course, students will complete the essay portion of all their applications, effectively revealing who they are as a person as well as making a memorable connection with the reader. Other aspects of college applications will be reviewed as well, including resumes.

#### Reading and Writing Lab

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$1,180

**Description:**

This course is intended to help students develop successful reading and writing strategies as they transition to the Prep. Using literature and composition as a thematic influence, students will learn how to apply an analytical process to make their reading and writing more effective. Notation, research skills, and drafting play major roles in this course, strengthening students' abilities to generate their work thoroughly and efficiently. Through this course, students will be able to revise and edit their own work, focus on test preparation, read materials in a systematic manner, and develop the grammatical skills required to draft a college-level essay using Modern Language Association (MLA) writing techniques, literary analysis, and creative writing projects.

*\*This course is recommended for rising ninth graders and those new to Gulliver.*



### Advanced High School and College Bound Writing and Analysis

*New!*

**Dates and Time:**

- June 3–June 14 or June 17–June 28
- 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$975

**Description:**

This course is designed to equip students with the necessary skills to write sophisticated papers for upper-level high school and college classes with success and confidence! Topics covered will include fundamentals like critical analysis, thesis, argument and paragraph development, introductions and conclusions, transitions, editing, formatting, and style. Students will learn to present ideas creatively and eloquently. Writing practice, daily feedback and a final detailed written evaluation will be provided to each student.

*\*Aimed at mature writers, Honors, IB and ESL students with solid knowledge of English looking to improve their writing skills.*

### English Studies Recovery

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1
- 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This is a repeat course for Gulliver students only. Both the original and repeat credit courses will appear on the student's Gulliver transcript.

### Literary Genres: Romance, Sci-Fi, Thriller Honors

**Dates and Time:**

- Online Course
- June 3–August 2

**Credit and Tuition:**

- ½ credit
- \$1,320

This online course offers an opportunity to explore and expand the student's reading tastes, and gain valuable experience in what taking an online class demands of a student. Students will emerge from this online course with an understanding and appreciation of the conventions of three genres: Romance, Science Fiction and Thriller. *Eleanor and Park* is a sweet and intelligent coming of age romance set in 1986. *The Left Hand of Darkness* is widely considered to transcend the genre of science fiction, even as it perfectly represents it. *The Secret History* is a page-turner, but like the other two works, it shares the distinction of being praised for its depth and literary merit.

*\*This class is an honors core elective, requires teacher's recommendation and can fulfill second semester Honors English graduation requirement.*



## Mathematics

### NOTE:

\*Gulliver students must submit the written approval form signed by both their current Mathematics Department Chairperson, and by Ms. Lindsay Longshore, the Preparatory Campus' Mathematics Department Chairperson, to register for all mathematics courses.

Approval deadline is Friday, May 17, 2019.

Approval forms are available online or from the registrar.

### Math Lab      *New!*

#### Dates and Time:

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

#### Credit and Tuition:

- No credit
- \$1,180

#### Description:

This project based course is intended to help students strengthen their basic mathematics skills through the creation of a model outdoor activity spaces, the itinerary of a cross continental vacation and a catering recipe. A strong focus will be placed on computational skills, fractions, decimals and percents as well as basic geometrical formulas. Daily arithmetic reviews through the use of hands on activities, games, and real-life applications will play a major role in this course.

*\*This course is recommended for rising ninth graders and new Gulliver students.*

### Algebra I Readiness

#### Dates and Time:

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

#### Credit and Tuition:

- No credit
- \$625

#### Description:

This three-week course is specifically designed for those students, particularly incoming freshman and sophomores, who may be experiencing difficulty in math due to discontinuity of curriculum, frequent absences, or lack of understanding and are seeking a stronger mathematical foundation for Algebra 1 College Preparatory during the 2019-2020 school year. Major areas of study will surround beginning algebra skills and reading and analyzing word problems.

### Algebra 1 Recovery

#### Dates and Time:

- Full Session
- 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

#### Credit and Tuition:

- One credit
- \$1,950

#### Description:

This is a repeat course specifically designed for Gulliver students. Both the original and repeat credit courses will appear on the student's Gulliver transcript.



### Algebra 2 Readiness

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$625

**Description:**

This course is designed for students who have completed a full year of Geometry College Preparatory and are seeking a stronger mathematical foundation for Algebra 2 College Preparatory during the 2019-2020 school year.

### Algebra 2 Recovery

**Dates and Time:**

- Mid Session June 10 – July 12
- 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This is a repeat course specifically designed for Gulliver students. Both the original and repeat credit courses will appear on the student's Gulliver transcript.

### Algebra 2 and Trigonometry Honors Readiness

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$1,180

**Description:**

This three-week course is designed for students who have completed a full year of Geometry and are planning to take Algebra 2 and Trigonometry at the honors level next year. This course is required for students who earned a B- (80%-82%) average in their Geometry Honors class during the 2018-2019 school year in order to continue in the Honors sequence next year. This course will also give students who have been promoted from the college preparatory to the honors level, by teacher recommendation, a stronger mathematical foundation.

### Algebra 2 and Trigonometry Honors

**Dates and Time:**

- Full Session
- Time: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This course is offered for original credit; its description may be found on the Gulliver website. Non-Gulliver students may enroll in this course but must have a "B" or better grade in their present math course.



### Geometry Readiness

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2  
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$625

**Description:**

This course is designed for students who have completed a full year of Algebra 1 College Preparatory and are seeking a stronger mathematical foundation for Geometry College Preparatory during the 2019-2020 school year.

### Geometry Recovery

**Dates and Time:**

- Full Session
- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This is a repeat course specifically designed for Gulliver students. Both the original and repeat credit courses will appear on the student's Gulliver transcript.

### Geometry Honors Readiness

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$1,180

**Description:**

This course is designed for students who have completed a full year of Algebra 1 and are planning to take Geometry at the honors level next year. It is required for students who earned a B- (80%-82%) average in their Algebra 1 Honors class during the 2018-2019 school year in order to continue in the Honors sequence next year. This class will also give students who have been promoted from the college preparatory to the honors level by teacher recommendation a stronger mathematical foundation.

### Geometry Honors

**Dates and Time:**

- Full Session
- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This course is offered for original credit; its description may be found on the Gulliver website. Non-Gulliver students may enroll in this course but must have a "B" or better grade in their present math course.



### Topics of Pre-Calculus Readiness

**Dates & Time:**

- Mid Session June 10 - June 28
- 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition**

- No credit
- \$625

**Description:**

This course is designed for students who have completed a full year of Algebra 2 College Preparatory and are seeking a stronger mathematical foundation in the Topics of Pre-Calculus course for the 2018-19 school year.

### Topics of Pre-Calculus Recovery

**Dates and Time:**

- Mid Session June 10 – July 12
- 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This is a repeat course specifically designed for Gulliver students only. Both the original and repeat credit courses will appear on the student's Gulliver transcript.

### Pre-Calculus GP Pre IB AP

**Dates and Time:**

- Full Session
- 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This course is offered for original credit; its description may be found on the Gulliver website. Non-Gulliver students may enroll in this course but must have a “B” or better grade in their present math course.

### Math Applications GP Pre-IB

*New!*

**Dates and Time:**

- Full Session
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$1,600

**Description:**

This course is designed for students who are contingently accepted to the IB Programme and have completed Geometry College Preparatory during their sophomore year. Students must enroll in the Pre-IB Math Applications course over the summer of their rising junior year and obtain a final grade of at least 85% to prepare them for Algebra 2 and Trigonometry Honors during their upcoming junior year.



## Physical Education

### Athletic Training and Fitness

*New!*

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- ½ credit
- \$1,320

**Description:**

Students will participate in an individualized physical conditioning program designed to improve their knowledge of proper fitness and its direct correlation to academic success. Conditioning will be aligned with a specific sport each day and will incorporate physical activities aimed to suit each student's personal profile. Additionally, students will learn about proper nutrition and how to design their own healthy meal guide. A typical day will begin with a workout, followed by playing the sport of the day, then progressing into the classroom for a lesson on nutrition. One session fulfills .5 credit of the Physical Education graduation requirement. Please note, Health is offered immediately following this course.

### Health Education

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Session 1
- 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- ½ credit
- \$1,320

**Description:**

Daily class discussions and assignments center on life issues and decision-making. Subjects covered are relationships, stress, personality and self-esteem, diet and food choice, alcohol, other drugs, sexually transmitted diseases, and violence. Completion of this course fulfills the Health Education graduation requirement.



## Science

### Field Studies in Marine Science

**Date and Time:**

- Session 1
- 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit w/Honors Option
- \$2,450

**Description:**

This unique three-week, full-day course exposes students to all topics covered in Gulliver's marine science curriculum through a combination of classroom activities and field experiences. Plans for off-campus studies include: a dolphin swim interaction and reef snorkel; a day shark tagging with experts from the University of Miami; a visit to the Turtle Hospital in Marathon; a fishing trip out of Miami Beach; and a visit to Everglades National Park. For more details and descriptions of each field trip, please contact the instructor, Mr. Gisonni, at [gisf@gulliverschools.org](mailto:gisf@gulliverschools.org).

*\*Enrollment is limited to 12 students. Prerequisite: Biology.*

### Introduction to Scientific Research

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- 1/2 credit w/Honors option
- \$1,320

**Description:**

This course is a hands-on introduction to the critical thinking methods scientists use when discovering new information. Students will work with bacteria cultures, measure populations of plants and animals in the field and visit laboratories where current scientific discoveries are underway here in Miami. The focus will be on learning problem solving strategies, which can be applied to other science courses in high school and college with a particular emphasis on the methods used in Gulliver's Field Studies and Biomedical Programs. Upon completion of this course students will have gained a greater comfort level in lab and field studies combined with an increased interest and enthusiasm for all areas related to scientific research.

### Pathways to Chemistry

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$1,180

**Description:** The purpose of this course is to provide students with the laboratory skills and math processes that they need for all chemistry courses. Students often struggle in chemistry because of limited exposure to proper lab technique, inconsistent math background, and weak analytical skills. This readiness class will focus specifically on the math concepts used in chemistry on an everyday basis using hands-on activities, computer simulations, and various instructional strategies.

*\*Recommended for students preparing to enroll in Pre-IB AP Chemistry, Honors Chemistry and CP Chemistry*



## Social Science

### American Foreign Policy GP Pre IB AP

**Date and Time:**

- Mid-Session June 10 – July 3
- 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

This four-week course will provide a survey of the history, traditions, and theories of US foreign policy as well as engage students in simulations following the basic structure of a Model UN competition. Students can expect to learn how to think more critically, while further developing reading, writing and oral presentation skills. The Model UN component will serve as a structure to instruct students in the art of compromise and problem solving. They will be expected to speak frequently in defense of their positions on a wide array of topics including the role of the United States in the United Nations.

*\*Students wishing to participate in the Model UN program should sign up for this course.*

### United States Government *New!*

**Date and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- ½ credit w/Honors Option
- \$1,320

**Description:**

Essential preparation for active, knowledgeable citizens is the study of the political foundations of their own country. The purpose of this course is to enable students to gain an understanding of United States Government, both structure and function, as well as an awareness of political behavior. The relation between historical background and current application in modern politics will be stressed. Included in the course content will be the Constitutional underpinnings of American democracy, federalism, and the emergence of political parties. Political participation will be examined in relation to the interaction of interest groups and the three major branches of government. Moreover, the policy-making process will be explored through the bureaucracy, the media, civil rights and liberties, and contemporary issues on domestic and foreign fronts.

### Economics *New!*

**Date and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- ½ credit w/Honors Option
- \$1,320

**Description:**

Economics Honors offers a more in-depth study of economic systems. Its primary goals are to assist students in becoming better decision makers, move economics beyond the classroom, and understand how it operates in students' daily roles as employees, employers, account savers, investors, consumers, and citizens. Students usually compete in the Florida Stock Market Game and work cooperatively on group projects. Current events applicable to economics are topics of class assignments and discussions.



## World Languages

### Spanish Readiness

**Dates and Time:**

- Session 1 or Session 2
- 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$625

**Description:**

This course is specifically designed for students transitioning from Spanish 1 to Spanish 2 or Spanish 2 to Spanish 3 and may be experiencing difficulty due to discontinuity of curriculum or lack of understanding. A battery of diagnostics is conducted, after which the focus moves to the specific needs of individual students. Major areas include all four language skills: reading, writing, speaking, and listening.

### Spanish Recovery

**Dates and Time:**

- Full Session
- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This is a repeat course for Spanish 1 or 2 for Gulliver students only. Both the original and repeat credit courses will appear on the student's Gulliver transcript.

*\*Students must have a completed approval form to register in this course, available online or from the registrar.*

**Approval deadline is Friday, May 17, 2019.**

### PODCAST Bootcamp...en Español! Honors      *New!*

**Dates and Time:**

- Full Session
- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- One credit
- \$1,950

**Description:**

This exciting project-based course is designed to empower Spanish Heritage speakers to become a new generation of audio storytellers, as they hone their linguistic and communication skills in the language. Through a hands-on learning experience, students will learn written expression, interviewing techniques, narrative strategies and the basics of audio recording and editing. They will work on their own audio project – a creative piece, public radio-style story, or specific topic-related podcast.

*\*Designed for Spanish Heritage speakers and is an honors elective*



## Visual Arts

### Art Portfolio Development

**Date and Time:**

- Session 1
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Credit and Tuition:**

- No credit
- \$1,180

**Description:**

This course emphasizes basic skill development and reinforcement of existing drawing and painting skills with three weeks of intensive work on a variety of subject matter and media. Students will enjoy extended studio time and will have the opportunity to augment their portfolios.



## Important Information

**Deadline for Registration: Friday, May 24, 2019**

### **Registrant Information:**

□ **Student drop off/pick up:** All Prep Summer Studies students should be dropped off and picked up at the Gulliver Preparatory Campus.

□ **Attendance:** Daily attendance and on-time arrival are required.

□ **No refunds.** When you submit your registration and payment, we set into motion a series of complicated plans and commitments to teachers. In order to meet those commitments and offer you high quality instruction and structured courses, changes cannot be accommodated after Friday, May 24, 2019. This policy is noted in the waiver included with your registration; make-up days are not available. Also, space in the programs is limited, and we cannot guarantee class availability after this date.

□ **Non-Gulliver students** are welcome to attend most Prep Summer Studies courses. They will need the following:

1. A written approval from a current teacher or counselor who recommends that the student will be successful in the rigorous Gulliver summer curriculum.
2. A copy of a current transcript and/or report card.
3. Current, valid copies of the following State of Florida Department of Health forms must be provided on or before registration is complete: Florida Certificate of Immunization Form 680; and School Entry Health Examination Form 3040.

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