Academic Talent Search
[information sheet for students and parents]

• ATS offers fun & challenging classes at Sacramento State for students in 4th - 9th grade (grade level as of Jan. 1, 2019)
• More than 46,500 students have attended in the past 37 years • Over $22,000 in financial aid scholarships and fee waivers was granted in 2018 • ATS is a nonprofit supporting organization & receives no University, state, or federal funding

What is Academic Talent Search (ATS)?
• A unique summer program that allows students to explore in-depth the subjects they love.
• An opportunity to explore potential college majors and career pathways.
• A chance to preview the “college” experience in a fast-paced, supportive environment.

Why should I participate?
• Explore interesting topics with interactive hands-on classes designed to encourage critical thinking, problem solving, and analytical skills.
• Enhance your independence while being treated like “college students” on the Sacramento State campus.
• Gain self-confidence and try out potential career paths while learning in University classrooms and labs.
• Learn from university professors, public and private school teachers, and leading business professionals.
• Discover new academic and creative challenges in topics not always available in regular school.
• Accelerate your learning in traditional subjects. ATS classes feature above-grade-level curriculum. So a class in the 4-5 Program may be covering 8th grade content standards while a class in the 6-9 Program might be completing a year's worth of high school material in 5 weeks.

How do I get involved?
• Be in 4th - 9th grade as of January 1, 2019.
• Take the ATS Qualifying Exam (College Ability Test), which assesses your reasoning abilities.
• Current 4th and 5th graders take the “intermediate” level exam.
• Current 6th - 9th graders take the “advanced” level exam.
• Taking the test automatically qualifies you for the program. There is no pass or fail.
• Use your test scores to help determine which ATS classes best match your skills and interests.
• There are classes available for ALL score levels.

Where can I take the test?
AT YOUR SCHOOL
• More than 200 schools offered on-site testing last year.
• A $20 processing fee is payable on the day of the test.
• Check with your school to see if they are offering the exam in 2019.

AT SACRAMENTO STATE
• Students representing more than 200 schools took the test at the University in 2018.
• Testing will be held at Sacramento State in 2019 on January 26, February 2, February 23 & March 9.
• A $20 processing fee is payable the day of the test.
• Contact ATS to reserve your place.

“ATS is a good way to get extra education that is very different than normal school! They pick out the most interesting and fun subjects to teach about. I will be going back to ATS next summer and if they had it all year around I would go then too!”
- ATS Student

“ATS has definitely made me more interested in attending college. College was always something I just imagined, but now I have an experience to go along with it.”
- ATS Student

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"My daughter had a great time and is looking forward to participating again next year. I appreciate the wide variety of subjects to choose from and the engaging instructors."

- ATS Parent

Cost Overview

Because ATS receives no government funding or tax monies, course fees support the cost of offering the classes. Class fees for Summer 2018 ranged from $150 to $450 depending on the length of the course.

4-5 Program

1-week course: $355*

6-9 Program

1-week short course: $150*
1- and 3-week regular classes: $360*
5-week accelerated courses: $450*

* Fees listed are from Summer 2018. 2019 fee information will be included in the ATS Summer Catalog available in late March.

Financial Aid and Scholarships

ATS recognizes that some families’ financial circumstances make it difficult to participate in classes. To provide equal educational opportunities for all qualified students regardless of the financial resources of the family, ATS offers testing fee waivers and financial aid for summer classes.

Each year, ATS provides fee reduction scholarships to students from economically disadvantaged families who otherwise might not be able to attend due to costs. Applicants whose family income levels are lowest are awarded larger scholarships than those reporting higher incomes.

Summer Schedule

6TH-9TH GRADE SESSIONS:

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* No classes will be held Thursday, July 4 or Friday, July 5

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