



Leaving school at the end of 2024 and wondering what 2025 and beyond looks like?

Not ready for another 3-4 years of study at University or unsure what you want to study?

Then take a Gap year and give yourself that well deserved break!

[IENA's - American Summers](#) - camp program is a great way for you to put plans in place for 2025. Give yourself a break, time to travel the world and do something rewarding that looks great on your resume!

[American Summers](#) works with over 700 Premium summer camps across the USA. These camps love hiring Australians to come over and be camp leaders, guides, big brothers/sisters and mentors to children 8 – 15.

The Important things to know:

- American Summer camps run for at least 9 weeks typically starting late May/Early June and finish mid to late August.
- You need to be available to work the entire 9 weeks (one week staff training and then 8 weeks of kids at camp).
- The Visa we sponsor you on also allows you to travel for 30 days before your camp starts and travel for 30 days after camp if you want.
- You must be 18 by around June 1, 2025. You can apply while you are 17.
- Applications for the 2025 program open May 2nd 2024
- **Summer Camp is perfect for anyone who:**
 - is fun, enthusiastic, passionate about helping and being a role model/leader to children.
 - loves doing a wide range of activities including: sports, performing arts, arts/crafts, water activities, outdoor adventure, horse riding, gymnastics, extreme sports and more! In fact, camps offer over 200 non-academic activities and hire staff who just love participating, leading or coaching in any of them! Don't worry camps hire people who are at all levels from beginner to advanced. There is something out there for everyone!
 - looking to gain leadership, professional development and work-related skills in teaching, outdoor ed, disability studies, human movement, social / community/youth work, event planning, tourism/hospitality (just to mention just a few)
 - Wants to gain life skills. Working at Camp and traveling will give you a better grasp on what you want to do with your future, helps you be more focused and committed (which is great if heading to Uni). You will even improve your communication, collaboration, critical thinking and creativity skills.

How do I learn more about Summer Camps and IENA's American Summers program?

- Really easy - watch an on-demand presentation to learn about American Summers and camps - [Click here!](#)
- Book a call to ask questions – you can even book the call and have your parents listen in if you want - [Click Here!](#)
- Check out our online promotional flyer – [Click Here!](#)

What do I get?

- Paid a minimum of US\$2,000 (about AU\$3,000) Opportunities to possibly earn more depending on the camp and your skill set.
- Free food/accommodation while at camp for 9 weeks
- 4 months of insurance (which most of this fee covers)
- A Camp Placement at one of 700+ premium camps!
- Control over what camp you go to! Our unique placement process allows you to search all our camps to find ones you would like to possibly interview with. Our camps can also search you out to request an interview

and our staff are here to help and advise! You then get to choose, accept, or decline an interview or placement, till you find that match. We want camp to be the best job you'll ever have, not a camp you are forced to interview with or get a job at!

- A visa – IENA – American Summers are your Visa sponsor
- 30 days to travel before and 30 to travel after camp.
- Top level service and support from today till you return from camp! Our staff have up to 32 years industry experience!
- Your own App to download from the App Store to so everything is in the one place [Click here download](#)

What will it cost?

- The program only costs AU\$480 and for that you get up to 12 months service, support, camp placement, visa sponsorship and 4 months insurance (while in the USA). We pride ourselves in making sure we are affordable for everyday Aussies while offering the bank for their buck.
- Pay for your visa to the US Consulate which is US\$265. Plus you will need to factor in a trip to Sydney, Melbourne or Perth to attend the US Consulate in -person interview.
- Police check AU\$42
- Flights to camp and then onto where you want to go, before getting yourself home

How do I fit this in for 2025 (or beyond).

- Finish high school, enjoy Schoolies, grab a job and work up until about May to get some travel spending money for your trip.
- Leave in May or June for the USA – travel if you want and then head to summer camp.
- Work at Summer camp for your 9 weeks. Food, accommodation is included as well as you get paid a minimum of US\$2,000 (about AU\$3,000). Opportunities to earn more are available depending on the camp and your skill set.
- Travel after camp with all your new American and International friends. American Summers brings people from around the world to the USA to work at summer camp. These are your new BFF and travel companions.
- Come home or even head to Europe, Canada, South America or wherever you want to go.
- Be home in time towards the end of the year for Xmas and Uni.

Do note that this program is available to anyone 18 – 30. So you can do this after Uni, or later on if you want.

How to apply?

1. Put in your Calendar under the date of May 2nd 2024. – Applications for my American Summers Camp adventure opens today! Apply here: <https://americansummers.com/apply-now/>
2. Complete an easy online application form, follow the steps for us to get you interviewed and then get ready to start checking out the camps and setting up camp interviews!

If you would like more information about the program, please feel free to call, email or text and we would be happy to organise a time to speak about the program with you!

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