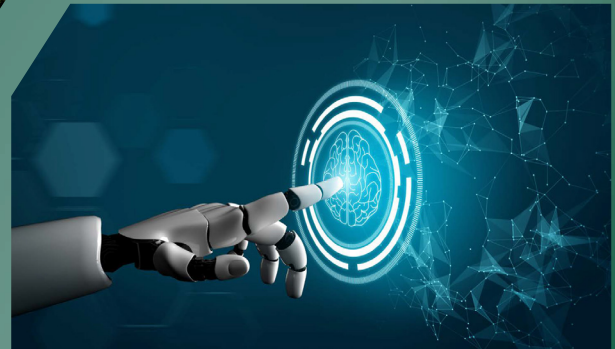


California State University

AI SUMMER CAMP

2026



One week. Real challenges. Skills that launch careers.

Spend a week at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo building AI solutions to real problems facing CSU campus. No prior AI experience needed - just curiosity and drive. You'll learn by doing, working on a mentored team alongside students from across the CSU system.

It will be an unforgettable summer camp experience!

100 spots. All expenses covered. You just get here.

Important Dates

Application Deadline: May 10th @ 11:59 p.m. PST

Notification of Acceptance: May 15th @ 11:59 p.m. PST

Event Dates: July 12 - July 17: Check-in Sunday, Depart Friday

Apply Now



Learn more: <https://dxhub.calpoly.edu/call-for-applicants-csu-ai-summer-camp-2026/>



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THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY - Check-in, welcome, team formation

Mon-Thu - AI workshops in the morning, team project sprints in the afternoon, mentored throughout

Friday - Final pitches, awards, departure

Program Highlights

- **Peer Mentorship Program:** Learn alongside experienced student mentors
- **Applied AI Hackathon:** A 5-day sprint solving real campus challenges
- **Real Impact:** Work on vetted problems affecting CSU students, faculty and staff
- **Professional Development:** Build your AI portfolio and career readiness
- **Networking:** Connect with peers from across CSU campuses
- **Fun:** Fun and unique activities that encourage learning and team building
- **On-Campus Living:** Dormitory housing, all meals, team activities
- **Accommodation:** On-campus dormitory housing provided
- **Transportation:** Participants will cover their own travel

Who Should Apply

- Current California State University students
- All majors welcome - no prior AI experience required
- Must be over the age of 18 by July 12th
- Passionate about technology and innovation

5 THINGS YOU'LL LEARN

You don't need to be technical- we'll teach you:

- **Understanding and using automated AI systems** - Build systems that connect tools and data sources to complete tasks automatically
- **Talking to AI in the right way** - Write effective prompts that get reliable, useful results from any AI tool
- **Citeable chatbots grounded in great data** - Create AI assistants that answer questions accurately using real institutional data, with sources
- **Calling AI models for real tasks** - Summarize documents, parse data, generate content, apply decision frameworks
- **Responsible vibe coding** - Use AI-assisted development to build working apps, dashboards, and tools

Building California's AI Workforce

This camp is part of the California State University system's initiative to develop AI capabilities and accelerate innovation across the state. You'll learn practical skills that apply across fields and majors - and join a statewide network of students who've built real things with AI.



PRE-REQUISITES

- **To apply:** Complete this [short training](#) and this [short quiz](#) (no AWS account needed - just your .EDU email)
- **After acceptance:** Complete the [AWS AI Practitioner Learning Plan on SkillBuilder](#)



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