

SCHOOL OF CONTINUING AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

The School of Continuing and Professional Studies (SCPS) offers a wide variety of educational opportunities outside of the traditional degree programs offered by other schools of the Institute. Programming is designed for students preparing for a degree, changing or advancing in their careers, or exploring new talents. SCPS students obtain real-time tools with industry experts via innovative programming. SCPS serves more than 3,000 students each year in more than 400 courses and special programs.

Professional and Continuing Education

Certificate programs in Fashion New Media, Digital Design, UX/UI, Sustainable Design, Perfumery, and many others are offered on a noncredit basis. Certificate programs allow students to develop an expertise that can be instantly applied in the workforce. Courses cover a wide array of topics within the areas of art, design, architecture, entrepreneurship, and business. Opportunities are available for students to attend studio courses, develop a portfolio, and prepare for a graduate degree.

Summer Intensives – Credit and Noncredit

Every summer, nonmatriculated college students and professionals are welcome to participate in an immersive learning experience that allows students to study under the guidance of our prestigious faculty and takes maximum advantage of Pratt's location in New York City. The Summer Intensives are available, both credit and noncredit, to individuals seeking to develop or sharpen their skills in a selected creative field for academic or professional objectives. Credit courses carry three elective credits that may be transferred to a student's home institution. Many courses feature renowned faculty and field trips to the museums, galleries, design firms, and studios that make Manhattan and Brooklyn a world destination.

PreCollege Program for High School Students

Summer in Brooklyn

The PreCollege summer program provides high school students with rigorous college-level art, design, and creative-thinking courses, modeled after Pratt's undergraduate offerings. High school juniors, seniors, and gap-year students from around the world attend classes taught by Pratt faculty committed to sharing their expertise in the fields of art, design, and architecture. Students can choose from an area of concentration, including fine arts, animation, one of many design fields, photography, architecture, and creative writing. They learn what it's like to be a college student, they improve their existing skills, and they learn new talents while building a strong college admissions portfolio. Scholarships are available based on merit. Supervised weekend activities are available with opportunities to experience the cultural life of Brooklyn and Manhattan. The culminating student exhibition allows students to share their work with family, friends, and Pratt faculty and administrators. The PreCollege summer program awards 4 college credits transferable as electives to many colleges and universities.

Fall and Spring Weekend Program in Manhattan

Local area high school students can attend a weekend program on Saturdays at Pratt Manhattan in subjects similar to those offered in the summer program. A focus is on portfolio development and exploration of the art, design, and architecture fields. An exhibition at the end of each term is held on the Brooklyn campus, allowing students to tour the campus and share their work with family and friends. Students attending the PreCollege weekend program can choose to complete the courses for credit or on a noncredit basis.

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