



Earn Academic Credit At the Edinburgh Festival Fringe

Students – You Can Earn High School or College Preparatory Credit

The AHSTF program is a life-changing experience for students. You will likely learn as much about yourself as you will about the places you'll visit. Academic credit allows you to capture your Fringe experience in a way that can generate recognition and bring you one step closer to a strong college application. You'll return from the AHSTF program inspired to set high goals for the future and equipped with the tools to achieve them. Academic credit serves as a unique distinction, providing you with a new way to distinguish yourself within your high school program.

You can register for academic credit coursework before, during, or after the Fringe Festival. Most assignments are designed to be completed after travel, since they ask that you incorporate much of what you learned during the festival experience. We encourage you to log on before travel, if time permits, to get a feel for the course and explore its components. **There is a 6-month deadline from the return date of travel to complete all online assignments.**

Upon successful completion of both the travel program and online coursework, you will receive an official transcript (from WorldStrides or our university partner, The University of California, San Diego – Extension) mailed directly to your home address. Transcripts can be submitted to school registrars for consideration or attached separately to college applications or résumés. Students and educators should check with receiving institutions with regard to credit transfer policies. WorldStrides holds accreditation through multiple regional agencies, including both corporate-level and school-level accreditation through Cognia (formerly AdvancED). This enables our traveling students to earn academic credit in conjunction with your AHSTF program.

Theatre Performance and Reflection at Festival Fringe

High school students (having completed grades 9-12) participating in AHSTF are invited to enroll in *Theatre Performance and Reflection*. Offered through WorldStrides and in partnership with The University of California, San Diego – Extension, students are invited to participate in their chosen course in addition to course credit offerings earned for participating in the Fringe through other institutions.

Available course options:

Theatre Performance and Reflection – 0.5 credit high school (semester-length high school course equivalent) Theatre Performance and Reflection – 1 CR college preparatory credit (THEA-90001) Theatre Performance and Reflection – 3 CR college preparatory credit (THEA-90002)





About the Courses

Each course is designed to help you explore your appreciation and understanding of theatre arts through the lens of your participation in the Festival Fringe. You will develop a deeper understanding of your individual experience and a broader worldview through the dramatic process (creating, performing, analyzing). Assignments are designed to enable you to discover and reflect upon your contribution to your festival production and to the overall journey, both physical and figurative, of your student troupe. You will engage with analysis of your art while expanding your awareness of the global community. You will be challenged to think in comparative ways about your everyday lifestyle and the differences you encountered while performing and traveling. Photos and videos taken during the program will be instrumental as evidence in responding to course assignments.

While course levels share title and theme, content and commitment requirements vary with increasing responsibility according to course level. For instance, the final project expectations for the 3 credit college preparatory course will require a greater commitment of time and stronger analysis to achieve success. The WorldStrides Curriculum & Academics team is available to talk with you to offer guidance in selecting the appropriate course level placement.

How to Sign Up for Coursework

Students - once you've registered for AHSTF, you can register for coursework before, during, or after your time in Edinburgh.

How to Register

- 1. Follow this link: https://education.worldstrides.com/CourseRegistration
- 2. Click to register as a new user.
- 3. Add your student email and create a password.
- 4. Confirm the email address by clicking on the link sent to you. Make sure to check your spam filter if you do not see the email.
- 5. Fill in First Name, Last Name, Trip ID, and Traveler ID. If you are unsure of your Trip ID and Traveler ID please call Customer Service at 800-468-5899.
- 6. Answer any additional questions as prompted.
- 7. You should now see your course selection menu. Feel free to click on 'Course Information' for more information.
- 8. Click 'Register' to be added to the course. Click 'To Classroom' to enter the learning management system and access the coursework.

If you have academic questions or would like more information about our courses, please contact the Curriculum & Academics team at <u>discovery@worldstrides.com</u>.

Pricing

- 0.5 high school credit course enrollment.....\$0
- 1.0 credit college preparatory course enrollment......\$0
- 3.0 credit college preparatory course enrollment......\$199

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