

Arkansas Governor's School 2015 Activities Schedule

Week 1: Sunday, June 14 - Sunday, June 21

Required events are starred (*).

Sun, June 14

*10:00 AM	Registration	SLTC
*2:00 PM	Opening Convocation	Staples
*3:30 PM	Student Orientation (Parents Welcome)	Staples
*5:00 PM	Hall Meetings	Residence Halls
*5:30 PM	Dinner	SLTC
*7:30 PM	Opening Mixer (Meet in Residence Halls)	Various

Mon, June 15

11:50 AM	Arkansas Shakespeare Theatre, Dystopian Reading Group, AGS Community Choir, and Heifer International HQ Field Trip sign-ups	SLTC Sun Porch
4:00 PM	3v3 Basketball	WAC
4:10 PM	Adam Frank: "Folklore and Folklife Sharing Circle"	Burrow
4:10 PM	Kondwani Phwandaphwanda: "Mozart and the Classical Period"	Mills B
4:10 PM	Richard Gobble: "Deconstructing the Death Penalty"	Mills A
6:10 PM	Chad Terrell: "I Got 99 Problems and a Glass Onion: Mashups and Copyright Criminals"	Mills A
*7:30 PM	Human Scavenger Hunt	Pecan Court

Tues, June 16

7:45 AM	Yoga	Worsham
*1:00 PM	Phil Plait: "New Horizons"	Staples
4:00 PM	Soccer	Turf Field
4:10 PM	Page Turners	Burrow
4:10 PM	Peggy Scranton: "What is Qualitative Research: Hands on Workshop"	Mills C
6:10 PM	Get to Know Your RA's	Burrow
6:10 PM	Jim Rush: Mindfulness Experience	Mills A
7:00 PM	Giant Four Square	Brick Pit
8:00 PM	NBA Finals Game 6	Worsham

Wed, June 17

7:45 AM	Yoga	Worsham
4:00 PM	Knitting for Noggins	Burrow
4:10 PM	Mark Elrod & Wesley Beal: "Thinking Critically About Conspiracy Theorists"	Mills A

4:10 PM	Revis Edmonds: "Tommy Robinson: The Politician as Modern Day Rascal and Folk Hero"	Mills C
6:00 PM	Ultimate Frisbee	Field Hockey Field
6:10 PM	Dystopian Fiction Reading Group	Mills 307
6:10 PM	Creative Writing Wednesday	Mills C
6:10 PM	Alan Elrod: "Where the Hell Are We?"	Mills A
6:30 PM	AST: <i>Merchant of Venice</i> Group 1 at 6:30PM Group 2 at 6:50PM	Meet at Altus Bell

Thurs, June 18

T-shirt designs due by 11AM	AGS Office	
7:45 AM	Yoga	Worsham
*1:00 PM	Michael Fosberg "Incognito"	Staples
4:10 PM	Learning to Latin Dance!	Worsham
4:10 PM	Spencer Sutterfield: Acting 101	Trieschmann Studio
4:10 PM	Raphael Lewis: "Spiritual Politics: The Politics of Church and State"	Mills A
*7:30 PM	<i>Koyaanisqatsi</i> (Discussion to Follow)	Staples

Fri, June 19

Educator's Day Nominations Due by 4 PM	AGS Office	
7:45 AM	Yoga	Worsham
4:00 PM	Floor Hockey	WAC Gym
4:00 PM	Student Activities Committee Meeting	Meet in Burrow
4:10 PM	Lyle Rupert: "Logic Puzzles: Thinking Outside the Box"	Mills C
*7:30 PM	Faculty/Staff Variety Show	Staples

Sat, June 20

12:30 PM	Heifer International HQ Field Trip	Meet at Altus Bell
2:00 PM	Basketball Open Gym	WAC Event Gym
3:00 PM	Song and Movie Trivia	Worsham
*8:00 PM	Throwback Mixer	Worsham

Sun, June 21

2:00 PM	Pickleball	WAC Gym
6:00 PM	Classic Board Games	Burrow
6:00 PM	Field Day Games	Brick Pit
6:45 PM	AST: <i>Fiddler on the Roof</i>	Meet at Altus Bell

3 v 3 Basketball

Tired of running up and down the full court? Want to play as many games as possible in an hour? Then come join us at the WAC for some fun competition and maximized buckets!

Folklore and Folklife Sharing Circle

Meet in the Burrow to join Adam Frank as he leads a circle discussion on folklore and folklife, including practices such as music, knitting, and gaming.

Mozart and the Classical Period

A discussion about the history of western music during the classical period with a focus on the music of Mozart, one of the most outstanding composers of all time.

Deconstructing the Death Penalty

A critical analysis of capital punishment.

I got 99 Problems and a Glass Onion: Mashups and Copyright Criminals

In 1968, The Beatles released an eponymously named controversial double-album later nicknamed the White Album. This sprawling work is important for its pastiches of musical styles, allusive lyrics, and its use of prerecorded music. This album generated controversy again in 2004 when Brian Burton (Danger Mouse) created a mashup of Jay-Z and The Beatles called The Grey Album. We will use the White Album as a starting point to talk about postmodern art, mashup culture, fair use of copyright, and case studies of musicians who found themselves labeled criminals.

Human Scavenger Hunt

Meet at the Pecan Court by the fountain and get to know the campus and faculty by deciphering riddles and performing various tasks! Think you have what it takes to win? Winners will be awarded!

Yoga (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)

A class for all levels of yoga students, including beginners, who want to explore a variety of yoga postures and breathing techniques; instructions are given to modify postures for more advanced levels of practice -- a great way to get moving in the morning! Bring a yoga mat or towel to stand on; we have a few extra mats, but not enough for everyone.

New Horizons

Dr. Phil Plait is an internationally renowned astronomer, author, and lecturer. His numerous appearances on radio, television, podcasts, and live in front of audiences have made him a celebrity in science circles, and put him in demand as an expert on astronomical matters.

Soccer

The WORLD'S favorite pastime. We will play a full game of 11 vs. 11, or multiple games if we have enough people. Cleats not necessary—passion required. We'll be waiting for you behind the WAC!

Page Turners

Come curl up with a book and friends in the Burrow. We'll have different, fun weekly readings with interesting discussions led by staff and faculty. Bring your own ideas for reading materials as well.

What is Qualitative Research: Hands on Workshop

Dr. Scranton will lead the group through writing an oral history; we will then “code” our histories and learn how to conduct a qualitative analysis of our histories.

Get to Know Your RA's

A series of talks where members of Area IV discuss their college experiences and career paths. This week's speakers are: Kacey Hight, attending UAMS College of Pharmacy this fall, retired Hendrix soccer player; Guneev Sharma, Hendrix College politics major, chess enthusiast; Marie Kressin, Hendrix College English major, interested in German; Daniel Gardner, University of Oregon, Creative and Strategic Advertising major, Beyhive member.

Mindfulness Experience

Introduction to stress management based upon mindfulness meditation to manage stress emotionally and physically.

Giant Four Square

It's Four Square Madness in the Brick Pit! Bring your friends and play this playground classic.

NBA Finals Game 6

Join your fellow basketball lovers and cheer on the team of your choice at the sixth match up of the Cleveland Cavaliers and the Golden State Warriors.

Knitting for Noggins

Help make a difference in the lives of the patients and families of Arkansas Children's Hospital. Knit or crochet hats for children of all ages. No advanced skill necessary! Patterns, needles, hooks, and yarn provided, but feel free to bring your own! You can also drop by and pick up materials, work on a project on your own time, and drop finished hats off to Marissa's desk in the AGS Office anytime!

Thinking Critically about Conspiracy Theorists

A brief presentation on the paradox of critical thinking and conspiracy theories, grand conspiracies, and default skepticism.

Tommy Robinson: The Politician as Modern Day Rascal and Folk Hero

From chaining prisoners to guard towers to pushing high profile murder cases and placing deputies in liquor stores with shotguns and defying federal judges and the entire Arkansas political elite, Tommy Robinson kept the Arkansas political world on pins and needles for the better part of a decade. Come hear the story of the man who long struck fear into powers such as Bill Clinton, and fell far and fast.

Ultimate Frisbee

It's called "Ultimate" for a reason. The Spartans played Ultimate Frisbee and they preferred it tournament style. Come out to the field behind the WAC for some fast-paced fun!

Dystopian Fiction Reading Group

From tales of totalitarian surveillance states to darkly comical visions of alternate futures, the genre of dystopian fiction can entertain, deliver dire warnings, or offer veiled social critiques. Join us for a weekly reading group to discuss several classic dystopian short stories, including some by Ray Bradbury, Kurt Vonnegut, Ray Bradbury, and Neil Gaiman. Our first meeting will be used to organize the group and distribute the first story. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the Sun Porch on Monday so we know how many copies to provide.

Creative Writing Wednesday

Want to write the next great American Novel? Or maybe become the next Walt Whitman? Join Candrice, Jessica, and John for our weekly writing club, where we will stretch our writing muscles, learn new techniques, and get creative!

Where the Hell are We?

We all use maps and road signs to tell us where we're going and how to get there, but is that all they're really saying?

AST: Merchant of Venice

Comedy and tragedy collide in this story of lovers united and families torn apart. At the center is Shylock, the Jewish moneylender. When the Venetian merchant Antonio is forced to seek a loan from Shylock, a man he despises for his religion and profession, he is asked to enter into an impossible contract: he must give a pound of flesh if unable to pay back the borrowed sum. What follows is a complex and challenging exploration of

love, mercy, integrity, and justice that reminds us that, "all that glistens is not gold." Attendance is limited. Sign up for the selection lottery on Monday at lunch in the Sun Porch. If your name is on the final roster, you are required to attend on Wednesday.

Incognito

Imagine discovering you are not the person you thought you were. That you have a family, a history, an ethnicity you never knew. How would this discovery impact your life, the lives of those around you; your vision of yourself and society? Michael Fosberg has been facing these questions since 1992, when after having spent 32 years growing up in a middle-class white family, he discovered his family history. These discoveries are shared in his one-man show "Incognito."

Learning to Latin Dance

Bring your dancing shoes to this beginner level class to learn how to Latin dance (salsa, bachata, merengue, and more!), no experience required! Final performance in student talent show.

Acting 101

Whether you are an experienced actor or just curious, come learn the basics of acting and have fun with improv, movement, and scene work. Wear comfortable clothes and be ready to move. Not recommended for students whose Area I is Drama.

Spiritual Politics: The Politics of Church and State

Does the 1st amendment to the U.S. Constitution establish a wall of separation between the church and the state, and therefore question the nature of the politics of faith? Join us for a conversation on spiritual politics.

Koyaanisqatsi

Directed by Godfrey Reggio, Koyaanisqatsi is described by Leonard Maltin as a "spellbinding, senses-staggering, non-narrative film" so rich in beauty and detail that with each viewing it becomes a new and different film. It juxtaposes natural environments and those affected by humans in a way that suggests "life out of balance" (a translation of its Hopi title), yet without preaching or ignoring the beauty of the man-made world. The score by Philip Glass is riveting and compelling. The film raises questions about the human relationship to nature, the destructive potential of technology, and the chaos and loneliness of the modern urban world. It also can provoke discussions of aesthetic questions through its innovative approach to the medium of film and its creation of a new reality through extensive visual comparisons of nature and technology using slow motion and time-lapse photography intertwined with a "dialogue" of music.

Floor Hockey

RECENT UPDATE: The unbelievable energy of the AGS students has melted Hendrix's ice rink—hockey will now be played in the WAC Gym. Tennis shoes required. No skates!

Student Activities Committee Meeting

Bring your ideas for what YOU want to see happen at AGS 2015.

Lyle Rupert: "Logic Puzzles: Thinking Outside the Box"

Experience a variety of word and number problems as we discuss potential solutions and ways of applying these thinking skills to life situations. We'll start with some simple sequences and work our way up to the highly controversial "Monty Hall Problem." Bring some paper and a pencil. Oh, yeah... and an eraser!

Faculty/Staff Variety Show

Who knew the AGS faculty had so many skills? It's awesome. 'nuf said.

Heifer International HQ Field Trip

Sign up for the selection lottery on Monday at lunch in the Sun Porch. If your name is on the roster, you are required to attend on Saturday.

Basketball Open Gym

Have some hoop skills? Prove it during open gym! You can shoot around, play 21, horse, or organize your own game!

Song and Movie Trivia

Show your song and movie knowledge in this friendly competition. Either bring a team, or come solo to be placed. For Sparta, for freedom!

Throwback Mixer

Let's go back in time and dance to old favorites. The best songs never die (just like jorts)! Dress for your favorite decade, and let it shine.

Pickleball

Do you like playing tennis? Come to WAC Rec gym to play pickleball in the AC! It's like if ping pong and tennis had a baby!

Classic Board Games

Some games never die. Bring your friends and come show your love for the old classics in the Burrow.

Field Day Games

Remember those classic field days from elementary school? Three-legged race, water balloon toss, and the sponge game make their triumphant return! Come to the Brick Pit and relive your glory days.

AST: Fiddler on the Roof

This classic beloved musical tells the story of Tevye the dairyman who takes ultimate joy in his family and traditions. He works to raise his five daughters and see them married well, but must struggle against modern ideas and the rising tide of anti-Semitism in 1900s Russia that threaten to destroy his family and their way of life. Attendance is limited. Sign up for the selection lottery on Monday at lunch in the Sun Porch. If your name is on the final roster, you are required to attend on Sunday.