The mission of the STEM Ed (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Education) Institute is to improve K16 education by fostering interactions among those in the school and college community interested in outreach, science and math education reform, education research and curriculum development.

Sponsors: STEM Ed, and UMass Extension.

UMass Amherst Summer SET Day Camp will be held at several spots on the UMass Amherst campus, including labs on the main campus, the Sunwheel, the UMass Amherst Hadley Farm and a variety of other outdoor locations. The exact campus drop-off location will be provided with confirmation materials after registration.

Camp Facts:
UMass Amherst Summer SET Day Camp is open to all residents of the Pioneer Valley. Each day begins at 8:30 and finishes at 3:00 PM. From 3:00 – 5:00 we will have an after camp program that will include outdoor recreation inc new games, non-competitive sports and other fun activities. The cost of camp is $300 per session per child; the cost of the after-camp program is $50/session/child.

UMass Extension addresses public concerns of high priority for the Commonwealth. Part of the national Cooperative Extension System, it sponsors five statewide programs in Agriculture and Landscape, Natural Resources & Environmental Conservation, Nutrition Education, Communities, Families and Youth, and Massachusetts 4-H.

Amherst Leisure Services (LSSE), a town sponsored program to provide quality year round programming for youth in the Amherst area, will handle registration, answer your questions and provide the necessary forms and information.

UMass Summer SET will be operated jointly by the STEM Ed Institute and UMass Extension and managed by Marie Silver, Camp Director. Registration will be processed by Amherst Leisure Services.

Explore meteorology, astronomy, & animal science & more with hands-on activities at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.
All residents in the Pioneer Valley are invited to attend!

UMass Amherst Summer SET Day Camp

Registration Request Form

Please fill out the information below and mail to:
Amherst Leisure Services
70 Boltwood Walk, Amherst, MA 01002.

Name
Address
City, State, Zip
Telephone (daytime) (evening)
E-mail
Name of child and age
Grade as of September 2004

Sample activities include:

SESSION I

Predicting Weather: Match Wits with Meteorologists
Animal Care and First Aid at the UMass Hadley Farm
Exploring Forensic Science
My DNA – the Human Genome Project revealed
Making Ice Cream with Liquid Nitrogen
A Visit to the UMass Recycling Center

SESSION II

Exploring Yucky Bugs - water critters, lawn critters and more
Bacteria in Our Food?!
Astronomy – Build a Telescope, Visit the UMass Amherst Sunwheel
It really is – Rocket Science!
Learn to Be A Vet at the UMass Hadley Farm
Gliders
PB &J Geology

Why should your child attend this camp?
UMass Amherst has a world of resources both indoors and outdoors for your child to explore. Whether it’s working in our state of the art labs, at the barns of the Hadley Farm, walking through the Sunwheel or finding critters on the grounds, kids will be busy tapping their natural curiosity and sense of wonder every day! The UMass Summer SET Day Camp will allow campers to explore science in new, different and exciting ways.

Activities will be led by a unique combination of UMass Amherst faculty, trained professionals, and K12 teacher’s with the assistance of counselors trained to work with middle school age children. All camp staff will be CORI screened and trained according to UMass Amherst procedures.

Please note that you will be asked to provide a current immunization record for your child with registration materials in order to complete your registration.

Upon receipt of this Registration Request Form, we will mail you a registration form, a medical form and a reminder to attach your immunization records. When all necessary forms and the deposit have been received, you will be mailed a confirmation packet that details activities, drop-off location, further forms that are required, and other pertinent information.

Space is limited – so apply early; spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis. If you have questions about registration – please call 256-4068.

Limited scholarships may be available, please contact Marie Silver at 545-0453 for more information.

UMass Amherst Summer SET (Science, Engineering and Technology) Day Camp is brand new for youth going into 6th through 9th grades. Our goal is to help nurture positive feelings about science and technology. 5 days of exploration will help your child develop and enhance their sense of wonder about the environment, the weather, astronomy, animal science, aviation and much more!