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## SUMMER ART & DESIGN INSTITUTE (SADI)

### Frequently Asked Questions

The **Summer Art & Design Institute (SADI)** is Moore College of Art & Design's four-week, three-credit residential pre-college program open to all students in grades 10 – 12. Whether you're new to art or interested in fleshing out a portfolio for college, SADI has an experience that's just right for you. This fun and inspiring sleepaway experience is the perfect next step for young artists considering enrolling in art school and exploring creative careers. Learn from award-winning faculty and artists, enjoy Moore's state-of-the-art facilities, and explore the cultural hub of Philadelphia through museum visits, tours and community events.

**PROGRAM DATES:** July 12 – August 7, 2026

**DEPOSIT:** \$300 (non-refundable) due before April

**1 TUITION:** \$6,755 \*due before May 1

Tuition is inclusive of all costs including room (housing), board (meals), art supplies, college credits, extracurricular activities and field trips. Payments can be made online, by mail or over the phone.

\* This does not include your nonrefundable \$300 deposit, which holds your space in the program.

### KEY DATES

- November 1** Enrollment Opens
- April 1** Deposit Deadline
- May 1** Tuition Deadline
- July 12** Program Begins (Move-in & Orientation)
- July 13** First Day of Classes
- August 7** Program Ends (Student Exhibition & Move-out)

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## ACADEMIC INFO

### When do I attend class?

Monday - Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm + 1-hour lunch from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

### Where are classes held and who teaches them?

Classes take place in Moore's beautiful BFA classrooms and labs – unique, modern facilities with state of the art equipment and technology! All SADI courses and workshops are taught by Moore's esteemed BFA faculty and a select group of Philadelphia-based artists and designers.

### What classes will I take?

Students choose **4 concentrations** modeled after Moore's undergraduate course offerings. To support their concentrations, all students are automatically enrolled in two foundation classes.

### Concentrations options:

- Animation
- Character Design
- Ceramics
- Entertainment Design
- Interior Design
- Illustration
- Fashion Design
- Photography
- Painting
- Graphic Design
- Game Design
- Printmaking
- Filmmaking

### Will I have homework?

Yes, students are responsible for independently completing 1-2 hours of interesting, art-focused homework per day. Students have evening access to Moore's facilities to complete their assignments with help from Moore's BFA students during weeknights. **Completing homework = college credits.**

### Will I receive grades, a transcript, and college credit for the courses I take?

Yes! Letter grades are issued for each class that SADI students participate in. Students who successfully complete SADI receive 3 undergraduate foundations-level credits. After the program, students may request a transcript reflecting their college credits. This transcript can be used to get ahead in Moore's undergraduate program and they are also accepted at most other colleges, depending on their admissions and credit transfer process.

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**Am I allowed to be absent?**

No no-shows, please! Students are expected to attend classes regularly and arrive on time.

**What should I bring for the first day of class?**

Art supplies are provided for all SADI students. Just bring yourself and your provided portfolio bag!

## HOUSING INFO

**Are room (housing) and board (meals) included in the tuition?**

Yes! All meals and housing are provided and covered by part of the total SADI tuition fees. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served Monday-Friday. Brunch and dinner are served Saturday-Sunday.

**Am I required to live in the residence halls?**

Yes - all students are required to live on campus.

**Where are the dorms in relation to the classrooms?**

Students do not need to leave the building or go outside to enter the Dining Hall or go to class. Our campus consists of three buildings; Stahl Hall, the Wilson Building, and the Sarah Peter Building, which are all connected and enclosed.

**What amenities are available in the residence halls?**

All rooms are two-bedroom suites with an adjoining bathroom. Rooms are equipped with dressers and closets, two twin beds, two desk units and chairs, air conditioner and a micro-fridge (microwave + refrigerator/freezer unit). Two students share each room, 4 students share a suite. There is a lounge on the top floor with a kitchen and two TVs. Free laundry is located on each floor. Food and drink machines are located in the Dining Hall. **Tip: bring detergent for laundry!**

**Are the residence halls safe and who staffs them?**

Security is on duty 24/7. Entry to the College and to the residence hall is carefully regulated. All campus spaces require the swipe of a unique ID card for entry. ID cards are carefully monitored by our Resident Life Staff and held only by SADI students and key Program Staff. There are always staff members on duty in the residence halls, including Resident Advisors (RA's) living on each floor of the dorm building to handle student questions, maintenance requests, mediate roommate conflict and ensure SADI students adhere to Moore's student code of conduct. Live-in RA's are Moore BFA upperclassmen who are supervised by the Director of Residence Life and the Dean of Students.

**Will I have a curfew?**

Yes! SADI students must be in Stahl Hall by 9:30 p.m. every night.

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### **Am I allowed to have visitors and guests in the dorms?**

No, outside visitors may not enter the dorms under any circumstances for the duration of the program to ensure student safety.

### **How do I do my laundry?**

Free laundry machines are available to SADI students – don't forget to bring your own detergent!

## **LIFE OUTSIDE OF CLASS**

### **What about the rest of my free time?**

SADI is a supportive environment full of creatives just like you! Students bond quickly and feel right at home at Moore and its surrounding area. During class hours, you will be with faculty members and classmates. You'll explore our on-campus common area, gaming lounge, Dining Hall, newly renovated Library, or check out nearby restaurants. After class, you'll work on interesting art-based homework assignments, eat, participate in movie and game nights, and enjoy leisure time.

### **What student activities are offered outside of class?**

Social activities are scheduled outside of classes provide opportunities to make friends, meet groundbreaking artists, become better acquainted with Moore, and discover Philadelphia! Students receive a calendar of extracurricular activities during orientation.

### **Am I allowed to leave campus?**

Yes! However, we use the buddy system - students are able to leave campus during designated free times to visit approved locations within walking distance (ex: Target, Rittenhouse Park, shops on Walnut Street, local museums, etc.), but must do so with at least 2 other students or a staff member. Students may leave campus with an authorized family member during free time, so long as they make it back for check-in. Student are not permitted to leave campus alone.

### **What will I do on weekends?**

Weekends are lightly scheduled with optional social events and guided excursions around the city, providing time for rest, personal art projects, city explorations with friends and family visits.

### **Will I be able to see Philadelphia?**

Yes! The surrounding city of Philadelphia is completely accessible and walkable. Visits to museums, exhibitions, and other places of interest are scheduled during class hours to provide inspiration for your work.

### **Will I be safe?**

Moore is located in a very safe area of Center City Philadelphia. Students are advised to follow common sense safety precautions, such as walking with groups and being aware of their surroundings.

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## BEFORE SADI

### Submit Deposit, Tuition & Required Forms

Be sure to complete your tuition payment by the May 1 deadline and submit your health and immunization forms to ensure a seamless move-in at Orientation.

### Packing List

Bedding for a twin XL bed (sheets, pillows, blankets), clothes, rain jacket, umbrella, cell phone and charger, laundry detergent and dryer sheets, laundry bag, towels, personal hygiene products, sunscreen, sunglasses, comfortable walking shoes (sneakers), 32GB flash drive, extension cord with a surge protector (thin ones without a surge protector not permitted). Optional: laptop, gaming devices, or other entertainment devices for down time.

### I forgot something!

No worries! Target, convenience stores, and Rite Aid are just blocks away should you forget anything at home. Unfortunately, since there is no storage space for student belongings in our mail room, we cannot accept packages.

### Stay Connected

To ensure that you're on our list and getting the most up-to-date info about SADI, [please join Moore's mailing list here.](#)

## AFTER SADI

### Attend Moore's Undergraduate Program

Participants who meet Moore's BFA admission requirements will also become eligible for a \$10,000 scholarship toward Moore's undergraduate programs after successfully completing SADI.

### Request Transcript

Please allow up to 4 weeks after SADI ends to request your official transcripts [HERE](#).

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## PAYING TUITION

### **Are scholarships available?**

Competitive scholarships may be available for SADI this year depending on grant funding. Please visit our website for more information at [www.moore.edu/sadi](http://www.moore.edu/sadi)

### **What is the refund policy?**

Written notification of course withdrawal is required and must be submitted via email to [ce@moore.edu](mailto:ce@moore.edu). After receiving written notice, our team will confirm your refund amount according to the following schedule and provide you with the required tuition refund forms for you to complete. Please note that all refunds are processed in the form of direct deposit or paper check within 4–6 weeks. Tuition refunds are calculated according to the following schedule:

- Withdrawal prior to April 1: 100% less non-refundable deposit
- Withdrawal prior to May 1: 70% less non-refundable deposit
- Withdrawal after May 1: no refund
- Please note that students dismissed from the program due to code of conduct violations do not receive refunds.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

### **Do I need to apply for a student visa?**

Yes! You must have a student visa to be eligible for SADI.

### **Is there a language requirement?**

Students whose first language is not English must submit TOEFL or SAT scores. Minimum TOEFL scores are 500 (paper exam); 173 (computer exam); or 61 (internet exam).

### **Whom should I speak with if I have more questions?**

Questions about the TOEFL or obtaining a student visa should be directed to the Admission Office at [enroll@moore.edu](mailto:enroll@moore.edu) or 215-965-4015.

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