The Academic Enrichment Center at the University of Delaware conducts three programs during the summer: The Upward Bound (UB), Upward Bound Math/Science (UBMS) and the Summer Enrichment Program (SEP). The Upward Bound and Upward Bound Math/Science Programs are pre-college programs that have an academic year component, as well as a summer component. Both programs provide a strong and supportive community where participants work to increase their academic skills and long and short-term goal setting in planning for the students’ academic future. Both programs also offer social and cultural opportunities.

Upward Bound (UB) is a federally funded TRIO program (Department of Education) geared toward high school students who reside in New Castle County, DE. Through participation in the program students learn the necessary academic skills needed to enroll in a college or university. During the academic year, participants are provided with tutorial and counseling services on a weekly basis; they also meet as a group once a month for workshops and seminars. During the five week summer program, 50 participants take part in a residential experience on the University of Delaware campus. Primary emphasis is on English, mathematics, science and foreign languages. Individualized and group tutorial sessions are provided during the evening hours.

Upward Bound Math/Science (UBMS) is a federally funded TRIO high school program geared toward providing participants the opportunity to learn what it takes to be an excellent student. The Upward Bound Math/Science Program serves 50 eligible high school students attending schools in Delaware, and contiguous counties in Maryland and Pennsylvania. The academic year program includes mentoring and monthly workshops designed to reinforce study strategies and other means of pursuing students’ academic goals. The summer program includes 5 weeks of intensive math, science and English course work and nightly study sessions with University of Delaware students serving as Resident Assistant/Tutors.

Summer Enrichment (SEP) is an intensive five-week residential program for incoming freshmen who have been admitted to the University’s Newark campus. Participants earn up to seven credits through math, English and study skills classes. In addition, regularly scheduled review sessions, mandatory evening student hours, seminars and workshops, as well as social and recreational activities help participants adapt to the rigors of college.

Please note: Individuals accepting the position of RA/Tutor are required to live in the residence halls with the participants when the participants are on campus. Free room and board are provided along with salary.