



SUNY ONEONTA MIGRANT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY [SOMLA] 2024

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WHAT IS SOMLA

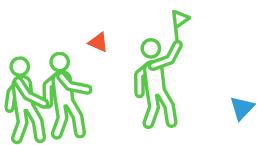
The SUNY Oneonta Migrant Leadership Academy (SOMLA) is a NYS-MEP summer program that provides eligible migrant students with the opportunity to learn about college, work possibilities, leadership qualities, and successful life strategies as they work towards graduating high school. Students explore various life skills, learn about leveraging their individual strengths and create a long-term plan to work on areas of personal growth that reflects their passions and interests. Students get to stay in residence halls just like a traditional college student and have the chance to experience what life is like on campus! Transportation to and from SUNY Oneonta and three meals a day will be provided (and of course, snacks, too!). But that's not all ~ There are other fun activities that you won't want to miss, and you will even have a chance to complete some community service hours for your high school and earn college credit!

WHY PARTICIPATE

- INSTRUCTION - Take the opportunity to experience classes led by college professors and learn alongside other migrant students in a supportive environment.
- LEADERSHIP - Learn about leadership and engage in activities that help you explore your own potential.
- MENTORSHIP - Build relationships and receive one-on-one support from bilingual staff in small groups.
- DID WE MENTION COLLEGE CREDIT? - One college credit will be granted to students for Transition Skills for Emerging Leaders (INTD 122) after successfully completing the 7-day program. This interactive course is designed to assist students in developing skills necessary toward ultimately obtaining a bachelor's degree. Students will learn critical skills to enhance success in college learning. Students will learn to systematically evaluate their own behavior, skills and attitudes that impact their academic outcomes.
- This opportunity is completely **free** to eligible high-school students who are part of the NYS-MEP!

WHO SHOULD APPLY

- Currently eligible migrant students who will be in eleventh or twelfth grade in September 2024.
- Students who are willing to actively commit to seven days of academic, leadership, and service activities.



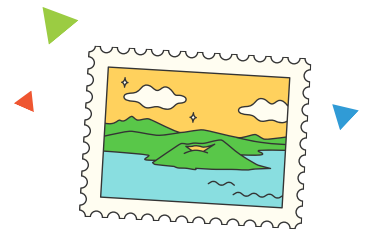
NYS-MEP students are eligible for a full scholarship to attend SOMLA.

This is a value of over \$5000 per student! NYS-MEP believes in each student and invests, knowing that SOMLA is a great jumpstart to students' futures. Don't miss out on this opportunity to come make new friends and experience a bit of college life!

WHEN AND WHERE

Students arrive to the SUNY Oneonta campus on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, and depart on Tuesday, July 16.

108 Ravine Parkway
Oneonta, NY 13820



WHAT TO EXPECT

- Instruction from certified educators
- Exciting activities and meaningful leadership workshops
- One-on-one support from counselors and staff
- Opportunities to connect with peers from across New York State and make friends
- All students will be under adult supervision 24 hours per day and will be transported for any off-campus activities.



SOMLA Application Documents Checklist

Complete and return to Odilia by June 4, 2024:

- SUNY Oneonta Non-Degree Application & Registration Form
- SOMLA Application
- SOMLA Agreement
- Parent/Guardian Medical Consent
- Parent/Guardian Permission and Release

Mail To: Odilia Coffta

56 Ellicott Ave.

Batavia, NY 14020

Request from Guidance Counselors:

- Official Transcripts
 - Must be sent directly from the student's high school, prior to the arrival of students on campus.
 - Must be signed by a school official and received by The Office of Continuing Education **by July 2, 2024.**
 - Must be mailed or faxed to The Office of Continuing Education at SUNY Oneonta.

Fax: 607-436-2692, ATTN: Rebecca Lynch

Mail To: ATTN: Rebecca Lynch

SUNY Oneonta, Continuing Education Office

108 Ravine Parkway

Oneonta, NY 13820

Key Dates & Deadlines

Friday, June 4 th	Application Documents due to Odilia Coffta
Wednesday, July 2 nd	Official Transcript due to SUNY Oneonta
Thursday, July 9 th	SOMLA arrival
Thursday, July 16 th	SOMLA departure



February 15, 2024

Dear School Counselors,

We have been busy planning for the sixth SUNY Oneonta Migrant Leadership Academy (SOMLA), which will be at SUNY Oneonta during the summer of 2024. One requirement for students to be able to participate and earn credit for coursework completed during their time on our campus, is to provide The Extended and Community Learning Center with an **official** high school transcript. The **official** transcript must show that your student has successfully completed their sophomore year and show their final school year grades prior to the start of SOMLA in early July.

Official transcripts must either be mailed or faxed to The ExCL Center at SUNY Oneonta to the address or fax number below and must come directly from the student's high school, prior to the arrival of students to our campus for the SOMLA. **The transcripts must be signed by a school official to be considered official and received by The ExCL Center by July 2, 2024, for students to be eligible to participate in the program.** I thank you in advance for your help with this important matter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca S. Lynch".

Rebecca S. Lynch
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Extended and Community Learning (ExCL) Center
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SUNY Oneonta Migrant Leadership Academy

What to Bring:

- ✓ Form of Personal Identification (Photo ID)
- ✓ Sneakers (comfortable shoes)
- ✓ Laundry detergent (not required, but suggested)
- ✓ Clothing appropriate for warm & cool temperatures and closing celebration
- ✓ Sunblock and bathing suit
- ✓ Umbrella/rain jacket/poncho
- ✓ Bookbag or backpack
- ✓ Toiletries & hair care products
- ✓ Towels, washcloths, flip flops
- ✓ Feminine Products
- ✓ Attire for volunteer day (comfortable clothes and shoes that you do not mind getting dirty)
- ✓ Attire for formal reception (male: shirt and tie, female: dress pants and shirt or dress or skirt below the knee)

Limited cell phone use will be strictly enforced

DO NOT BRING:

- ✓ Television
- ✓ Refrigerator
- ✓ Speakers/Large stereo system
- ✓ Desktop computer