

at Black Hills
State University

Welcome to
Spearfish, SD!
Summer 2023



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Hello and welcome to Black Hills State University (BHSU) in Spearfish, SD!

My name is Jin Kim and I am the Director of Career Development for BHSU as well as the BHSU-SD Mines-WDT Dakota Dreams Career Exploration Summer Camp Coordinator.



WELCOME!



For the next 5 days and 4 nights, we have so much planned for you! To start off, your home away from home will be Bordeaux Hall, our newest Residence Hall at BHSU!

Throughout your time at camp, we will provide you with delicious meals from BHSU Dining through Sodexo, which has a wide selection of food items and can cater to your dietary needs. Our transportation to and from all institutions and site visits will be done through Dakota Bus Company in 2-56 passenger coach buses for safety and comfort.

Don't worry about bringing your portable gaming device or a book because we will keep you busy in learning about over 14 Career Pathways at 3 different institutions of Higher Education, exploring over 5 different large employer site visits, and entertainment for every night you are at BHSU.

Feel free to take an in depth, detailed look at our schedule for each day in this guidebook, and if you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me. Get ready to have some fun. Go Yellow Jackets!

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Our Purpose

The South Dakota Board of Regents is offering week-long career exploration camps on campuses for incoming 7th and 8th grade students in Summer 2023. This is a FREE camp thanks to a grant by the South Dakota Department of Education, the South Dakota Board of Technical Education, and the South Dakota Board of Regents!

Campers will be immersed in a week of 'college life' designed to explore career paths through engaging activities and tours of area business and industry. By the end of this five-day residential camp, students will have a better understanding of themselves, their personal career interests, and how education connects to these professions.

Campers will experience:

- Exposure to 10 career paths through hands-on learning
- A full day and two half-days at Black Hills State University
- A day trip to Western Dakota Technical College
- A day trip to South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
- Afternoon tours of area business and industry
- Transportation to and from off-campus field trip sites
 - Transportation is being provided by Dakota Bus Service, Inc.
Dakota Trailways Bus Charter
- On-campus housing (four overnights) in BHSU's Bordeaux Residence Hall
 - Night Resident Assistants are on call
- Campus dining facilities (all meals, snacks, and drinks included)
- Evening recreational and social activities:
 - Swimming at the Spearfish Recreation and Aquatics Center
 - Movie Night!, Northern Hills Cinema
 - Game night in Bordeaux Hall, BHSU
 - DIY Crafts in Bordeaux Hall, BHSU
- 24/7 counselor supervision

Tentative Schedule

DAY 1 (SUNDAY)

11:00 AM - NOON Check In/Drop Off at Bordeaux Hall BHSU

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Student and Parent Luncheon at the Hive Dining Center

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Student and parent Orientation at Location TBA

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Career Pathway Session(s), BHSU

5:30 PM Dinner at the Hive Dining Center

7:00 PM HYPE! by Noah Sonie! (Recreational Activity, BHSU)

9:00 PM Room Checks

Tentative Schedule

DAY 2 (MONDAY) MORNING

7:00 – 8:00 AM Breakfast at the Hive Dining Center

8:00 AM Transportation to Western Dakota Technical College (Rapid City, SD)

- 9:30 AM Welcome to Western Dakota Technical College!
- 9:45 AM – 10:45 AM Career Pathway Session, WDT
- 11:00 AM – NOON Career Pathway Session WDT

Tentative Schedule

DAY 2 (MONDAY) AFTERNOON

NOON – 1:00 PM Lunch (Lunch provided by Sodexo, BHSU Dining Services)

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM The Monument Tour (Rapid City, SD)

3:00 PM Business/Industry Tour #2 (Rapid City, SD)

5:30 PM Dinner at the Hive Dining Center

7:00 PM Movie (TBD) at Northern Hills Cinema, Spearfish, SD

9:00 PM Room Checks

Tentative Schedule

DAY 3 (TUESDAY) MORNING

7:00 – 8:00 AM Breakfast at the Hive Dining Center

8:00 AM Transportation to South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (Rapid City, SD)

- 9:00 AM – 9:40 (Rotating Session #1)
Chemistry, Biology, and Health Sciences with Dr. Zhu
- 9:45 AM – 10:25 AM (Rotating Session #2)
Materials and Metallurgical Engineering with Dr. West
- 10:30 AM – 11:10 AM (Rotating Session #3)
Chemical Engineering with Dr. Donovan and Dr. Walker
- 11:15 AM – 11:55 PM Campus Tour

Tentative Schedule

DAY 3 (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON

NOON - 1:00 PM Lunch at Hardrocker Cafe at SD Mines

1:30 PM - 4:30 Reptile Gardens (Rapid City, SD)

5:30 PM Dinner at the Hive Dining Center

7:00 PM Private Pool Party at Night! at Spearfish Rec & Aquatics Center

9:00 PM Room Checks

Tentative Schedule

DAY 4 (WEDNESDAY) MORNING

7:00 – 8:00 AM Breakfast at the [Hive Dining Center](#)

8:00AM–NOON Career Pathway Sessions, BHSU

*PATHWAYS COMING SOON

Tentative Schedule

DAY 4 (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON

NOON-1:00PM Lunch (The Hive Dining Center,
BHSU)

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM My Masterpiece with Evan Struck!

2:15 PM Neiman Industries (Spearfish, SD)

3:00 PM Albany Farms (Belle Fourche, SD)

5:30 PM Dinner at the Hive Dining Center

7:00 PM Speed Painting with Evan Struck! at BHSU

9:00 PM Room Checks



Tentative Schedule

DAY 5 (THURSDAY)

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Breakfast at the Hive Dining Center, BHSU

8:00 AM - NOON Career Pathways Sessions, BHSU

NOON Campers Depart at Bordeaux Hall at BHSU

WHAT TO BRING

General

- Medication: Prescription medication administered by staff must be individually bagged or contained per administration (separate bag of medication for morning and evening for each day).
- Actual prescription bottle/container/box must be provided during check-in.**
- Personal Care Items (vitamins, glasses/contacts, personal assistance items, etc.)
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, loofah/bath scrubbies, toothbrush, and toothpaste, etc.)
- Extra blankets and pillows if you wish to have more
- You may decide to bring your own towel/washcloth, however please do not mix yours with the ones provided!
- Extra money for gift shops and personal purchases!

WHAT TO BRING

Clothing

- Light jackets/Sweaters
- Long pants **REQUIRED** (minimal holes)
- Closed-toed shoes are **REQUIRED** (due to safety in employer site visits)
- Undergarments and Socks
- Athletic wear including shoes for recreational activities
- Swimwear and Towel
- Nightwear

CAMPER WELCOME PACKAGE

The following are provided for you:

- Linen Package (2 - flat sheets, 1 - light blanket, 1 - pillow, 1 - pillowcase, 1 - towel, & 1 - washcloth)/camper
- All meals (4 - Breakfasts, 4 - Lunches, 4 - Dinners) +Snacks & Refreshments
- Transportation & admission costs to all employer, recreational, and social activities



BLACK HILLS STATE UNIVERSITY

Black Hills State University is a comprehensive regional public university located in Spearfish, northern Black Hills, South Dakota. We are a small campus that offers a personalized approach to education and where students are well-known and supported by their faculty.

BLACK HILLS STATE UNIVERSITY

Enrollment:

3,539 Students

Locations:

Spearfish, Rapid City, and Ellsworth Air Force Base in South Dakota

BHSU Mission Statement:

BHSU offers a generous number of baccalaureate and select master's degrees, generates new knowledge, promotes excellence in teaching and public engagement, and serves as a regional economic leader. Graduates make significant contributions to the workforce and the betterment of their community.

Spearfish Area:

The Spearfish Canyon area boasts a bounty of hiking and biking trails, providing numerous opportunities to take in the sights and sounds of the Black Hills.



SOUTH DAKOTA MINES®

The South Dakota School of Mines & Technology (South Dakota Mines) is committed to excellence in science and engineering academics and research and to developing the next generation of leaders and problem-solvers. The university offers a wide array of bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees.

Located in Rapid City in the beautiful Black Hills of South Dakota, South Dakota Mines offers a rigorous academic experience supported by small class sizes, committed faculty members, and many student development programs and organizations.

They're known for:

- STEM Academics
- Personal Attention
- Outstanding Internship Opportunities
- Great Value
- Our wonderful location: the Rushmore Region

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

MISSION STATEMENT:

OUR VISION is to develop world-class leaders in science and engineering to benefit society.

OUR MISSION:

is to educate scientists and engineers to address global challenges, innovate to reach our creative potential, and engage in partnerships to transform society.

WE VALUE:

integrity, ingenuity, inclusion, and impact.

At South Dakota Mines, we are curious. We are tenacious. We plan to change the world with STEM, and we invite you to join us.

Our programs emphasize hands-on learning in maker spaces and labs that feature the same equipment you'll use on the job. Break things. Build things. Then get paid to do it professionally.

With more than 20 bachelor's degrees in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), South Dakota Mines will open a whole world to you.

WESTERN DAKOTA

TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Western Dakota Technical College (WDTC) is the only technical college serving the western South Dakota region. The college delivers a personal, career-oriented education ideal for the student pursuing a meaningful profession and prideful future in a high-need occupation. Through active learning, simulation, internships, and industry partnerships, our students graduate ready to make a real and immediate contribution to their employers and communities.

Our Mission:

WDTC prepares students to be highly skilled professionals through accessible, career-focused programs to improve their lives, while adapting to community workforce needs and positively impacting our economy.

Western Dakota Technical College

Facts

Enrollment:

1,300 students.

Class Sizes:

About a 13:1 student-to-faculty ratio.

Locations:

The main WDTC campus is in Rapid City, S.D. There is also a satellite Practical Nursing program location in Whitewood, S.D.

Placement Rate:

99% of our most recent graduates are working, continuing their education, or are enlisted in the military. [*Placement information is derived from graduate surveys, faculty-collected data, placement surveys started six months after graduation, and the South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation.

Overall placement rate is figured by:

(responding graduates employed, continuing education, or in military service)/(responding graduates who are seeking employment). The number of program graduates are unduplicated by CIP code.]

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Computer Science (CIP 110101), WDT
- Nursing - Practical & Registered Nursing (CIP 513801), WDT
- Biomedical/Medical Engineering (CIP 140501), SD Mines
- Chemical Engineering (CIP 140701), SD Mines
- Metallurgical Engineering (CIP 142001), SD Mines
- Teacher Education (CIP Series 13), BHSU
- Business Management (CIP 520201), BHSU
- Tourism and Hospitality Management (CIP 5209), BHSU
- Accounting (CIP 520301), BHSU
- Financial Analyst (CIP 520801), BHSU
- Marketing (CIP 521401), BHSU
- Entrepreneurship (CIP 520799), BHSU
- Genetics (CIP 26.0806) & Animal Genetics (CIP 26.0804), BHSU
- Zoology/Animal Biology (CIP 26.0701), BHSU
- Plant Sciences, General (CIP 01.1101), BHSU
- Forest Sciences and Biology (CIP 03.0502), BHSU
- Environmental Science (CIP 03.0104), BHSU
- Geology/Earth Science, General (CIP 40.0601) & Hydrology & Water Resources (CIP 40.0605), BHSU
- Biochemistry (CIP 23.0202), BHSU
- Behavioral Sciences (CIP 44.0000), BHSU

Meet the Lead Counselors



Torrey

My name is Torrey and I recently graduated with a degree in History Education. My hobbies are ranching, being outdoors and hanging out with friends. I am excited to be back again this year! I can't wait to see the students find a career pathway that sparks their interests, and then seeing their excitement as we tour a business regarding that career.



Myndi

My name is Myndi and I recently graduated with a degree in History Education. I am a history fanatic, but I also enjoy many hobbies outside of my major like reading, hiking, and playing video games. I am most looking forward to connecting with the campers!

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Lexie

Hello! My name is Lexie, and I am a sophomore at Black Hills State University! I am double majoring in Psychology and Human Services with a minor in Sociology. In my spare time, I love to cook, bake, hike, work out. I can't wait to visit different employers and businesses throughout the Black Hills, and to spend the week connecting with the kids attending!



Paige

Hello! I am Paige, and I am a junior here at Black Hills State University. My major is English with a double minor in Creative Writing and Professional Writing. In my free time, I enjoy reading, traveling, and being with my friends and family. During the Dakota Dreams Camp, I am most excited to support students' dreams and lend a listening ear.

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Derek

Hey! My name is Derek, and I am a Black Hills State University sophomore.

I was born in Switzerland and I am currently majoring in Graphic Design. Besides playing football, I like to spend time with friends, go on adventures, or play video games.



Gabe

Hey, my name is Gabe! I am a junior here at Black Hills State University. I am majoring in Biology and Chemistry, with the intent of pursuing pre-med. Outside of school, you can find me snowboarding, golfing, or doing something outside.

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Connor

Hey, my name is Connor, and I am a freshman here at Black Hills State University and I am studying Exercise Science. In my free time, I enjoy hanging out with friends and spending time outdoors, especially snowboarding with all of my friends. I am most excited to see how all of these different career fields sparks interest in the campers.



Bell

Hi, my name is Bell! I am currently a junior at Black Hills State University, and I am studying Physical Education with minors in Health and Athletic Coaching. I enjoy hiking, camping, and being outside whenever I can. I can't wait to visit different employers and businesses throughout the Black Hills, and to spend the week connecting with the kids attending!

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Lauren

Hello, my name is Lauren. I am a senior this year and will graduate in December of 2023. I am double majoring in Elementary Education and Art Education. I am most excited about getting to work with the awesome staff and all of the fun events we have planned with the students attending the Dakota Dreams Camp this summer!



Maddie

Hello! My name is Maddie, and I am a junior at Black Hills State University. I am majoring in Exercise Science with a minor in Health In my spare time, I enjoy hiking, biking, skiing, and anything outside with family and friends.

Meet The Counselors



Mandy

Hi, my name is Mandy. I am a sophomore here at Black Hills State University, majoring in Marketing and minoring in Entrepreneurial Studies. I love hiking, mountain biking, kayaking, baking, reading, skiing, and hanging out with my friends and family. I am most excited to meet all the campers and have a fun week while also learning about all the different career fields available to everyone!



Sydnee

Hi, my name is Sydnee. This is my first year at BHSU, but I am almost a Junior. I am majoring in Elementary Education, with a minor in reading and early childhood education. Outside of school I love to read, spend time outdoors, and also spend time with my friends and family. I am most excited to spend some time and connect with the campers, especially watching them get excited about different careers!

Meet The Counselors



Rylan

Hey! My name is Rylan, and I am a Junior at Black Hills State University. I am originally from Mitchell, SD. I am currently getting a Bachelor of Fine Art with an emphasis in Photography. I enjoy going on random adventures, skiing, meeting new people, and enjoying with weather whenever I get the opportunity.

Meet The Staff



Jenn

Jennifer Lucero has worked as the Coordinator for Student Disability Services as well as the Coordinator of the Spearfish Testing Center at Black Hills State University (BHSU) since June 2015. Jenn holds a master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. She is passionate about supporting and meeting the individualized needs of students.



Garrett

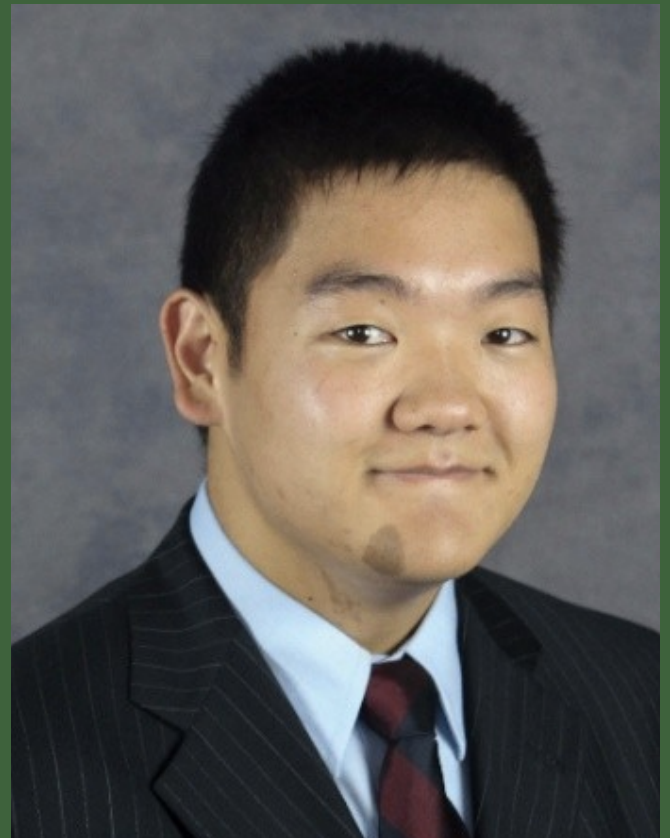
My name is Garrett Kohler and I am mental health counselor here at Black Hills State University. I graduated with my bachelors in psychology from BH in 2017, and I graduated with my masters in counseling from Regis University in December of 2020. Though I struggled in school, particularly high school, my passion has always been working with youth and I strive to show that just because you aren't the "smart one" or the most "capable one" doesn't mean you can't go on to achieve your dreams.

Meet The Staff



Laramie Jo

Hi I'm Laramie Jo! In Career Development my role as the Peer and Internship coordinator allows me to support students while they are reaching for their academic and professional goals. As the Peer Coordinator my role is to manage and pair the mentors with their mentees help assess their needs and assist mentors when needed in create an action plan to help mentees reach their goals. As the Internship Coordinator my role is to help students discover and secure internship opportunities that help prepare them for their future career.



Jin

Hello! My name is Jin Kim and I am the Director of Career Development here at BH! I My hometown is Sheridan, Wyoming and I went to school at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology for my Bachelor of Science in Applied Biological Sciences degree then to Kansas State University for my Master of Science in Counseling and Student Development. Prior to BH, I worked at the University of Tampa in Tampa, FL! During my free time I like to explore new cities and places and am definitely a foodie!

Meet The Entertainment



Noah Sonie

You've seen a Hypnosis show before. You've seen a Magic show before. Now, experience HYPE.

HYPE is a brand-new thrilling combination of modern magic and mind-bending hypnosis mixed into a unique interactive experience for your audience.

HYPE is hosted and curated by Noah Sonie; a full-time performer based out of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Noah has years of experience performing and showcasing his unique perspective and high energy style on stages across America. During the show students will experience a blend of magic, mindreading, and hypnosis that will weave them through moments of laughter, awe, and pure confusion. All wrapped up in a stylistic, modern, fast paced show.



Evan Struck

Evan Struck transforms blank canvases into masterpieces in his hour-long college show!

With elements of Pop Culture, Music, Movies, Sports, and more! Get ready for all new paintings including a special Blacklight finale!

This show combines both music and color creating a multi-sensory experience. Also, Evan creates a custom painting related to your college or university! This custom creation could also help raise money for your school!

Business & Industry Visits

The Monument

The Monument was born out of ambition and dreams. Out of passion, risk and the quest to rebuild bigger and better. We are a place to feel wowed, ingrained in the memories of our guests.



Neiman Enterprises

We're committed to timber production practices driven by forest health. We believe we are caretakers of the forest, utilizing experts who understand the science of legacy-focused forestry practices and committed to take action based on sound research and experience. Since the forest involves many stakeholders, we are partners, choosing to take an active collaborative stance when it comes to the work of ensuring our forests remain a viable, thriving resource, and choose stewardship efforts in pursuit of outcomes that will improve access opportunities for all of our partners.



Business & Industry Visits

Reptile Gardens

We are the largest reptile zoo in the world, housing more species of reptiles than any other zoo or wild animal park. But, we're not just about the animals! We also showcase a myriad of flowers and flowerbeds, orchids and bromeliads - expanding the park far beyond what Earl could have imagined.



Albany Farms

From chefs who create exciting new flavors to our noodle engineers that bring the BEST to ramen lovers everywhere. The days of ramen just being for college students are over. We embrace everyone in the ramen universe! We give you the fuel from the plants and the sun. Our noodle-obsessed engineers and chefs turn it into an easy on-the-go meal at an affordable price.



Contact Us

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