

# Cosplay: Creating Your Character!

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

So you want to be a cosplayer? Cosplay with us! Western Illinois University's summer cosplay camp is designed to guide students interested in the world of cosplay through the various aspects of the entire process. Led by an expert in the art of cosplay, we are excited to invite students to a week of COSPLAY dabbling. Learn what cosplay culture is and what career opportunities are out there. Experience cosplay design, costume construction, characterization, prop building, makeup application, wig design and more.

## TOPICS WILL INCLUDE:

- **Characterization:** Learn basic physical aspects of an existing or original character.
- **Character Design/Costume Design:** Bring your character you would like to see come to life.
- **Posing:** Understand cosplay from a photographer's perspective, seeing what are the best ways to make costumes stand out with a simple photo.
- **Prop Building:** Gain knowledge in the materials used to build cosplay costumes.
- **Makeup:** Work with various styles of makeup to help characters come alive.
- **Career Options:** Think about cosplay as a career option in the theater, movies, or even a large costume production business.

## MEET OUR INSTRUCTOR



**McKenzie Cullen** is a WIU student double majoring in outdoor education and costuming. She had worked in outdoor education for six years and is now excited to expand on her experiential knowledge by adding theoretical knowledge in her field. Cullen enjoys the outdoors, animals, art, food, adventure, cosplay, flow arts/circus arts, video games, movies and more. This passion for life

is evident in her energetic demeanor and willingness to teach and learn. Cullen's greatest goal is to inspire others to achieve, learn and to love without shame.

## PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

The program is open to students in eighth-eleventh grades, who are admitted on a first-come, first-served basis. Enrollment is limited to 20 students, so early registration is encouraged.

## CHECK US OUT ON THE WEB!

For more information about "Cosplay: Creating Your Character" visit [wiu.edu/summeryouth](http://wiu.edu/summeryouth).



## Registration – Cosplay: Creating Your Character! • June 4-8, 2018

Student Name

Address

City/State/Zip Code

Parent/Guardian Name (printed)

Parent Phone Number

Parent/Guardian E-Mail

Student Gender

Age

January 2018 Grade

Teacher/Counselor Name

School/City/State

Teacher E-Mail

How did you hear about the program?

Please make check payable to **Western Illinois University** or pay by credit card:

Visa  MasterCard  Discover

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Exp. Date

CV Code (3 digits)

Authorized Signature

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**Registration:** Enrollment is limited to 20 students, who are admitted on a first-come, first-served basis. **The \$325 commuter** registration fee includes all program costs. Registration forms, with payment information, can be completed online at [wiu.edu/summeryouth](http://wiu.edu/summeryouth), mailed to Study Abroad & Outreach, Horrabin Hall 8, Western Illinois University, 1 University Circle, Macomb, IL 61455, or faxed to (309) 298-2226. Checks should be made payable to Western Illinois University.

**Pricing and Payment Assistance:** Register before March 15, 2018, and receive a 10 percent early bird discount off the **\$325 commuter** registration cost. Payment plan and scholarship information are available by contacting our office. We also will offer an **additional 10 percent discount** to families who send more than one child to a camp or enroll one child for multiple camps. Parents who wish to use a payment plan may send a \$100 deposit at the time of registration. Full payment is due 30 days before the start of the program.

**Refund Policy:** WIU reserves the right to withdraw a program because of unforeseen circumstances or insufficient enrollment. If a program is withdrawn,

participants will be notified and fees will be refunded. A \$50 fee will be charged to participants who cancel after Monday, May 14, 2018. **No refunds will be made on or after Monday, May 28, 2018**

**Medical/ADA Compliance:** Students do not qualify for University health care. Parents should check family insurance policies for health and accident coverage. Western Illinois University is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Please let Study Abroad and Outreach staff know how we can accommodate any special needs students may have at least two weeks prior to the program start date.

**Further Information:** For further information, call the Office Study Abroad and Outreach office at (309) 298-1911 or call toll free at (866) 933-8964. Western Illinois University complies with all federal and state nondiscrimination laws, orders and regulations. Western Illinois University is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity institution and affirms its commitment in all programs and activities to nondiscrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, age, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, national origin and status as a disabled veteran or Vietnam Era veteran.



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