

What is it?

USC Technology Innovation Bootcamp 4HS is a 3-week virtual bootcamp hosted by the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, teaching key concepts of engineering entrepreneurship and organized to develop new solutions to combat the wide range of challenges we face from the COVID-19 pandemic. This guided innovation sprint will culminate in a final “Demo Day” presentation and selected projects will be showcased at USC.

Who can participate?

Students enrolling in high school in fall, as well as recent 2020 graduates, are invited to participate in the program.

How can I apply?

The application can be found [here](#).

When is the application deadline?

The last day applications will be accepted is July 8. Space is limited, and applicants are accepted on a rolling basis. Applications received after we have reached our max capacity will be added to a waitlist.

Is the bootcamp virtual or in person?

The bootcamp will be conducted completely virtually. Virtual sessions will be hosted over Zoom and require a combination of self-paced readings and videos. The core of the program consists of six required synchronous “in-person” sessions held on Mondays and Thursdays at 2:00pm PST. In addition, optional workshops will be hosted through-out the week on tactical engineering topics like “Intro to Microsoft Vizio” that will support your solution development.

Who will I be working with?

Each participant will be placed in a group consisting of 6-8 students led by a [NAE Grand Challenge Scholar](#). As a team, you will be developing solutions to combat COVID-19 over the 3-week period. Beyond the normally scheduled bi-weekly workshops, we are also creating additional “hangouts” for team bonding and space to develop lasting friendships.

What is the time commitment?

There are two mandatory workshops per week, each running 1.5 hrs on Zoom. Outside of the scheduled workshops, there is another 1-2 hours of

necessary work with the option to engage in more e.g. optional modeling workshops etc.

Will attendance be taken?

To earn a certificate of completion, you must participate in the 6 required sessions.

I'm an international student, can I apply?

Thank you for your interest. Please submit an application and we will add you to our waiting list. If spots become available either in this session or in future rounds, we will contact you.

What does the Bootcamp cost?

USC Technology Innovation Bootcamp 4HS is FREE for all participants.

Do I need to be connected with USC to participate?

No. Anyone, Trojan or not, can participate!