Design Matters! Camp is a summer design immersion experience for curious, creative, problem-solving high school students. Immersed for one week in a one-of-a-kind experience, students from across the country learn to think and innovate as designers on UT's campus.

**At a Glance**
- The only camp of its kind in the region, DMIC is hosted by the UT College of Architecture and Design in its award-winning Art + Architecture building in the heart of UT's Big Orange Country.
- Established in 2008, Design Matters! Camp prepares high school students interested in design to engage imaginatively with the built environment and explore the considerations that shape it.
- Campers engage in hands-on instruction in design, a variety of activities that challenge their thinking about design, field trips to area locations for design interpretation and activities on the UT campus.
- Campers connect with faculty and students and enjoy faculty-led lectures, discussions and studio sessions in both the Art + Architecture building and the college's downtown Fab Lab, a 20,000-square-foot maker space.
- Through the camp's setting, curriculum and instruction, campers experience life as a design student on the dynamic University of Tennessee campus and learn about the many career options open to graduates with design degrees.

**By the Numbers**
- Forty-eight students from 10 states and one country attended Design Matters! Camp in 2017.
- In 2016, about 90% of the students who attended Design Matters! Camp later applied for enrollment in the college.
- The college awarded $4,060 in scholarships to campers in 2017.

**A Look at Details**
- Tuition covers the cost of program instruction; materials, equipment and access to digital technology; field trip admission tickets; transportation to and from off-campus sites; and walking tours of downtown Knoxville and the campus.
- Both overnight and day-camp options are available.
- Students who opt to stay overnight will stay in one of the well-appointed residence halls on UT’s campus.
- Packages vary depending on need and to accommodate on- or off-campus living.