

TechGirls is a **one-month summer exchange program for young women ages 15–17** to inspire and prepare them to pursue higher education and careers in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields. The TechGirls alumnae network offers continuing opportunities for collaboration on STEM projects, competitions, and grants.



Impact



- ▶ **98%** of participants were **more interested or as interested** in STEM education and careers after the program.
- ▶ **89%** of alumnae reported a significant or moderate change in their **awareness of opportunities** in STEM fields.
- ▶ **80%** of overseas alumnae and 77% of American alumnae reported that the program had **helped improve their STEM skills**.
- ▶ Participants learned and applied valuable soft skills: **leadership** (85%), **intercultural communication** (83%), **networking** (74%), and **public speaking** (63%).

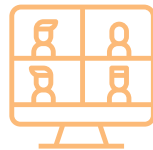
“I think seeing women in STEM has boosted my confidence and it made me personally consider an engineering degree, which I ended up getting.”

Trajectories



- ▶ The program helped alumnae decide on a university major, with **78% pursuing further studies in STEM fields**.
- ▶ The program increased participants' confidence to pursue a career in STEM, and **79% of working alumnae work in STEM fields**.
- ▶ **73%** of alumnae are also **volunteering their time** in STEM-related activities.

Connections



- ▶ **55%** of alumnae are in **contact with their host families**.
- ▶ **22%** of alumnae are in contact with their **job shadow hosts**.
- ▶ **96%** of overseas alumnae and **75%** of U.S. alumnae **stay in touch** through social media.
- ▶ **57%** of TechGirls alumnae have had some contact with **TechWomen alumnae**, and **48%** of TechGirls alumnae having participated in **TechWomen-TechGirls club activities**.
- ▶ The TechGirls alumnae network offers **information-sharing** (such as opportunities for scholarships, other exchange programs, travel, competitions, and project funding), English language practice, collaboration on small projects, and, occasionally, mentoring.