



# UNITYWORKS

## Summer Training Institute



### Welcome to Yakima!

On behalf of our faculty and staff, we look forward to welcoming you to the UnityWorks Summer Institute, held each year in Yakima, WA. Located in the heart of Central Washington State off of I-82, and with a population of over 92,000, Yakima is a productive agricultural region noted for its apples, grapes, hops, cherries, pears, asparagus, mint and other crops. The name of the city derives from the Yakama Indian Nation, with Tribal headquarters located just south of town. The Yakima Valley has a high desert climate with four distinct seasons. Summers are warm and dry with daytime temperatures ranging from the mid-80s to mid-90s or higher. Yakima received the All-America City Award in 1994 and again in 2015. For more information: <[www.yakimawa.gov](http://www.yakimawa.gov)>.

### Transportation

You can fly directly into Yakima on Alaska Airlines. The airport is 4 miles from downtown. Some hotels have free airport pickups. Rental cars are available at the airport, and taxis are usually parked just outside the terminal or can be requested using the kiosk or phone. Uber service is limited. An Airporter Shuttle is also available between Seattle's SeaTac and Yakima's airport for approx. \$92 round trip (about 3 hours each way). For a downtown parking map: <[www.yakimawa.gov/apps/parking](http://www.yakimawa.gov/apps/parking)>.

Alaska Airlines	<a href="http://www.alaskaair.com">www.alaskaair.com</a>	800-547-9308
Avis Rental Car	<a href="http://www.avis.com">www.avis.com</a>	509-469-4543
Budget Rental Car	<a href="http://www.budget.com">www.budget.com</a>	509-248-6767
Hertz Rental Car	<a href="http://www.hertz.com">www.hertz.com</a>	509-452-9965
Airporter Shuttle	<a href="http://www.airporter.com">www.airporter.com</a>	866-235-5247
Taxi Cabs	\$5 base fare + \$3/mi	

### Training Site



**Junior Achievement World**  
 650 University Parkway  
 Yakima, WA 98901  
 509-853-1006  
 Free parking outside the building

## Lodging

The Oxford Suites hotel, overlooking the beautiful Yakima River and next to the Greenway walking path, is offering us a special group rate which includes free airport shuttle, full hot breakfast buffet, parking, wifi, fitness center, indoor pool and spa, and a light evening supper from 5-10 pm. The hotel is only 1.9 miles from our training site.

To reserve your room, call 800-404-7848 and ask for the UnityWorks group rate. Reservations must be made at least 1 month in advance. After that, rooms will be released for general sale.



Oxford Suites, 1701 E. Yakima Avenue  
Yakima, WA 98901, 509-457-9000  
www.oxfordsuitesyakima.com

River View Double Queen Suite - \$93.00  
River View Studio King Suite - \$97.00  
(Slightly higher with 2 people/room)

## Attractions

Points of interest in the Yakima area include art galleries, theaters, a weekly farmers' market, shopping malls, cultural activities, U-pick farms, botanical gardens and nature trails. Outdoor recreation includes fishing, boating, cycling, hiking, golf, horseback riding and whitewater rafting. A few examples are listed below. Visit <http://visityakima.com> for additional attractions, restaurants and upcoming events.

Attraction	Description	Website	Phone
Capitol Theatre	Performance center	<a href="http://www.capitoltheatre.org">www.capitoltheatre.org</a>	509-853-2787
Cowiche Canyon	Mountain walking trails	<a href="http://www.cowichecanyon.org">www.cowichecanyon.org</a>	509-248-5065
Electric Rail Museum	History and trolley rides	<a href="http://www.yakimavalleytrolleys.org">www.yakimavalleytrolleys.org</a>	509-249-5962
Farmer's Market	Fresh produce and crafts, Sun 9-2	<a href="http://www.yakimafarmersmarket.org">www.yakimafarmersmarket.org</a>	509-457-5765
Get Air	Trampoline park	<a href="http://www.getairyakima.com">www.getairyakima.com</a>	509-895-5925
Larson Art Gallery	Periodic art exhibits	<a href="http://www.larsongallery.org">www.larsongallery.org</a>	509-574-4875
Movie Theaters	Latest movies	<a href="http://www.yakimatheatres.com">www.yakimatheatres.com</a>	509-248-0242 / 3
Yakama Indian Nation Cultural Center	Museum, gift shop, library, restaurant and more	<a href="http://www.yakamamuseum.com">www.yakamamuseum.com</a>	509-865-2800 x 1
Yakima Arboretum	46-acre urban green space and botanical garden	<a href="http://www.ahtrees.org">www.ahtrees.org</a>	509-248-7337
Yakima Greenway	20-mile paved pathway, park and wildlife sanctuary	<a href="http://www.yakimagreenway.org">www.yakimagreenway.org</a>	509-453-8280
Yakima Valley Museum	History of the Yakima Valley	<a href="http://www.yakimavalleymuseum.org">www.yakimavalleymuseum.org</a>	509-248-0747

