General Information

What is it?
Splash! Chicago is a new program (based on a similar program at MIT, also called Splash!) that brings high school students from all over Chicago to the UChicago campus for one weekend in September. (The program is not residential – the students go home Saturday afternoon and come back Sunday.) The high school students take short classes taught by undergraduates, in areas of the undergraduates choosing, whether strictly academic or not. The program facilitates communication between college and high school students and among high school students from different schools, and exposes students to topics they may not be able to access through a traditional high school curriculum.

We are working closely with Bart Schultz and the Civic Knowledge Project in the Humanities Division of the University to make Splash! happen.

When is it; where is it; does it cost anything?
Saturday, September 29 from 9-5, with informal follow-up conversations on the afternoon of Sunday, September 30. The program will take place in Cobb Hall, with registration and a brief introductory assembly in the Palevsky Cinema in Ida Noyes Hall. Both buildings are on the University of Chicago campus. The program is FREE for the entire weekend, but registration either in advance or on the Saturday morning of the event will be required. Registration should be available by September 1st, but our mailing list is open and available at our website (see below).

Who is involved?
We aim to bring 250-300 high school students from the Chicago area to the University of Chicago campus. (That number is an estimate; ideally everyone who would like to participate will be able to do so, but if the numbers grow too large we may have to cap registration.) The volunteers and event coordinators are University of Chicago undergraduates. There will be between 70 and 100 classes offered, of which any one student will be able to take 4. There are 8 administrators (UofC undergraduates). The program is sponsored by the Civic Knowledge Project of the Humanities Division of the University of Chicago.

How do I get more information?
You can visit our website at <http://civicknowledge.uchicago.edu/splash> or email any questions you have to Luke Joyner, director of Splash! Chicago, at <SplashChicago@gmail.com>.