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## TECH CAMPS DEBUT AT NEW STUDENT CREATIVITY CENTER

Building robots that navigate mazes, or fine-tuning electronic musical devices that work in harmony – for a group of high school students from the greater Los Angeles area, those were just a few of the projects they completed at UCLA Engineering's new Summer High School Tech Camp.

Two of the four-week camps were held during the summer at the school's new Creativity Center, a 5,000-square foot facility on the second floor of Boelter Hall. The new technology sandbox is a space meant for students to explore their imaginations.

"The United States needs to increase the number of students entering into science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields," said Dean Vijay K. Dhir. "At UCLA Engineering, we are strongly committed to doing our part to let young students, especially those from underrepresented backgrounds, have an excellent experience building and testing their creations. We think our Tech Camps will enhance the education they receive through their course work in math and sciences."

While summer is reserved for tech camps, during the school year the Creativity Center will be home to several of UCLA Engineering's student groups, providing much-needed space and access to tools and equipment.

→ To find out more about the camps, visit: www.esc.seas.ucla.edu

Tech Camp students demonstrated their robot that navigates a maze and performs tasks. The camp was held at the new Creativity Center.







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