Guide to Dual Enrollment

Dual enrollment provides an opportunity for high school students with demonstrated academic potential to enroll in selected courses at participating two-year and four-year public and private colleges in Michigan. The purpose of the program is to supplement and enrich your educational experience by allowing you to pursue course work which otherwise would not be available to you.

To Apply for Dual Enrollment

1. Complete your college of interest’s high school dual enrollment form.
2. Have a parent or guardian (unless 18 or older), and your high school counselor and/or principal all sign.
3. Send form to college where you’d like to enroll.

Who pays?

- Your high school will decide. For more information on the guidelines set by the State of Michigan, visit: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/5G-PostSec-CareerTech_41445_7.pdf

Will I get a college grade?

- Yes. Registering for an academic course means you will receive a grade and have a college transcript.

Will my credits transfer to other colleges and universities?

- Always check with your college/university. They likely have a tool you can use to see how the course you’re enrolled in will transfer to another college/university. Overall, only courses with a 2.0 grade or higher will transfer. Some universities, such as Michigan State University, may have policies that limit what classes can count for both high school and college credit. You must have an official transcript sent from dual enrollment college/university to your transfer college.
Will my college grade affect my high school grade?

- Check with your high school. Your college grade may impact your high school grade, activities, and eligibilities as well as graduation requirements.

Can I apply for financial aid?

- College financial aid can only be used for admitted college students, not dual enrolled students. Do apply for financial aid in your senior year of high school to get your college money ready for fall semester after you graduate from high school.

When do I apply to my dual enrollment college/university?

- When you are in your senior year, fill out an application for admission, as well as send your high school transcript and ACT scores. Your college/university will contact you with next step so be sure to watch for letters, emails, and phone calls. Also, be sure to double check with your high school to ensure you’re completing the process correctly.

Think about these things:

1. What courses are available to you?
2. What college/universities are available to you?
3. How will the course you enroll in transfer to another college?
4. Will you also get high school credit?
5. How will dual enrollment affect graduation requirements?
6. How will dual enrolled courses affect your high school grade point average?