

Dual Credit High School Program

1. Enjoy the benefit of taking college level courses at your high school campus.
2. Take specific high school courses that are designated as dual credit courses. Students take high school courses and also receive college credit - at the same time. The student stays at their high school; the student does not take the class at the PSC campus.
3. Apply course credits and grades to both high school and college transcripts.
4. Take college-level coursework that will accelerate your academic progress.

How much does it cost?

It's **FREE** for high school students!

Participating High Schools

The following schools are participating in the Dual Credit Program with PSC:

- Beecher District 200-U
- Bloom Township District 206-U
- Crete-Monee District 201-U
- Homewood Flossmoor High School District 233
- Rich Township High School District 227
- Kankakee Area Career Center

The courses eligible for dual credit vary by high school. Check with your high school counselor for specific course listings for your high school.

Earn college and high school credit at the same time for **FREE**.



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High school students demonstrating college readiness can enroll in Dual Credit classes and earn high school and college credit – at the same time.

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What is Dual Credit?

The dual credit program allows college ready high school students the opportunity to earn college credit at the same time as high school credit. The credits you earn are transferrable to Prairie State College (PSC) as well as other four-year colleges and institutions. There are selected high school classes that qualify for dual credit.

Benefits of Dual Credit

1. The dual credit courses can reduce your overall college tuition bill and can speed up the time it takes you to obtain an associate degree.
2. If you decide to enroll at PSC after high school you will enjoy the ability to register for courses online.
3. This program helps you transition to college. You will already have taken college-level course work while in high school.
4. You are considered a PSC student and entitled to PSC resources.
5. Open to college ready high school students who are currently enrolled in career or technical education courses.

Questions and Answers about Dual Credit at PSC

Q. Do dual credit students have to attend PSC?

A. No. Dual credit signifies the student has earned college credit at PSC and has an official college transcript reflecting that credit.

Q. Will dual credits apply to a PSC associate degree or certificate?

A. Yes. Dual credit puts a student on track to complete the necessary courses for an associate degree in a career program or certificate at PSC.

Q. Is dual credit the same thing as Advanced Placement (AP) Courses?

A. No, it is a separate program that allows students to take courses offered by PSC at their high school from college-qualified teachers. Students can earn college credit immediately upon successful completion of the dual credit course. AP courses require a national exam and a certain score to receive college credit. Dual Credit does not.

Q. What if the course has a prerequisite?

A. All prerequisites must be met before the student can take the dual credit class.

How to Get Started

Speak with your high school counselor about dual credit eligibility and course offerings.

How to Get College Credit

Once the dual credit course has been successfully completed with a grade C or better, PSC credit will be awarded.

