



# Dual Enrollment Information Session



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# SJR State Dual Enrollment vs. Early Admissions

- **Dual Enrollment** is a program that allows eligible high school students to simultaneously earn college credit while earning credit toward a high school diploma.
- **Early Admissions** is a type of dual enrollment where a student enrolls full-time at SJR State, which means that the student is required to take a minimum of 12 credit hours. The student is not taking any classes besides dual enrollment courses at SJR State.

# Qualifications for Dual Enrollment

- Be classified as a secondary student.
- 3.0 unweighted grade point average (GPA).
- Be recommended by your high school principal and guidance counselor.
- Have social and emotional maturity.
- Have a full set of acceptable SAT, ACT, PERT or CPT scores. Submit your SAT, ACT, and/or PERT test scores with your dual enrollment application.
- Be a degree seeking student.

# Benefits of Dual Enrollment

- Allowing students to reduce their course load per term when they attend college full time.
- Improving the transition from high school to college.
- Allowing students to “test the waters” of college learning.
- Promoting efficiency of learning (reduce repetition of classes).
- Savings of both time and money.
- Offset expenses for families.
- Free tuition and lab fees.
- Free textbooks for public school students.
- Shorten the time necessary to obtain a college degree.

# How Dual Enrollment Differs from Other Accelerated Mechanisms?

- College credit for Dual Enrollment is awarded based on the student's class grade rather than on a standardized test score.
- Bottom line: If you pass a Dual Enrollment class, you earn college credit.

# AA Degree vs. AS Degree

- The AA degree is the legally recognized transfer degree for the Florida College System and is specifically designed for the student who wishes to transfer into the state university system as a junior.
- The AS degree is intended to primarily prepare an individual to enter a chosen career or profession. It may also transfer to a senior institution which offers a bachelor's degree in a related field.

# Will Dual Enrollment Credits Transfer?

- Yes. Dual Enrollment will transfer especially to the Florida State Universities System (SUS) due to the Florida Common Course Numbering System and the statewide articulation agreement.
  - If students do not, upon high school graduation, attend the same college or university where they earned the dual enrollment credit, the application of transfer credit to general education, prerequisite, and degree programs may vary at the receiving institution.
- Florida private schools look at the individual course to decide if and how the credit will transfer.
- For out of state schools and private schools you will need to check with the individual schools to inquire whether dual enrollment credit will be accepted to transfer.
- Dual enrollment courses transfer policies are consistent with transfer policies of postsecondary courses, meaning there is no difference in transfer policies for students who take postsecondary coursework as regularly admitted postsecondary student.

# DE Considerations

- Dual Enrollment courses are college level courses. These courses will not be “brought down” to high school level to accommodate variations in student age and/or maturity.
- Dual Enrollment is the start of your college transcript. Your dual enrollment grades will follow you forever, which can impact admittance into college/university, acceptance into your major, and enrollment into graduate school.
- Make sure that you look at the time required for your extracurricular activities (work, sports, arts, community service, etc.), high school course schedule, and dual enrollment to determine if you have enough time to participate in dual enrollment at your desired level.

# DE Considerations

- If you earn below a C or withdraw (W), you will not be able to participate in Dual Enrollment.
- Expectation of 2-3 hours of homework for each hour spent in class.
- Firm assignment deadlines.
- Students are expected to handle all communication because they are considered to be a college student.

# DE Considerations

- At 30 credit hours, students will need to declare their intended major and intended transfer college or university.
- Try to determine the different majors you are interested in.
- Look at the admissions requirements of the colleges and universities you are planning to attend.
- Look at the requirements (prerequisites and GPA requirements) for your major.
  - Example: College of Business at XYZ university.

# DE Considerations

- Dual enrollment students need to plan carefully when registering for courses.
  - Do not overwhelm yourself.
  - Take into account the rigor and number of high school courses (high school face to face and Florida virtual) you are taking with your dual enrollment courses.
  - Recommendation is to take no more than 7 courses total. All courses require time and effort in order to be successful.
- If you have extracurricular activities or you work, make sure that you plan that into your schedule.
  - You will not be excused from courses and you will likely not have the time to devote to studying. Examples are jobs, sports, clubs, dance, theatre, church, vacation, etc.
  - Determine the number of hours spent at work or on that activity in order to figure out the hours that you have available for attending class and for studying.

# How Do I Enroll?

- Talk to your high school's dual enrollment contact and get the dual enrollment paperwork (Application and Principles of Participation).
- Complete a dual enrollment application (formerly known as the “blue form”).  
When completing the dual enrollment application, the student **must use their legal name.**  
For example: No nicknames and include suffixes (Jr., II, and III, etc.).
- Have test scores (SAT, ACT, PERT, or CPT).  
You must submit a **copy of your official student score report.** When submitting test scores, make sure your report has **your first and last name.**
- Turn in a dual enrollment application, test scores, and SJR State Dual Enrollment Principles of Participation to your high school guidance counselor.
- Read and understand SJR State Dual Enrollment Students' Responsibilities.
- Consult with your high school's dual enrollment contact about what classes to take.
- Turn in **dual enrollment registration** form to your high school's dual enrollment contact, which must be completed for **each semester** of participation in dual enrollment.
- The last date to submit a “late” application (which must include test scores: ACT, SAT, PERT, or CPT) *and* test scores is 30 calendar days before the semester starts. Ideally, new students would have submitted paperwork approximately eight weeks before the semester starts.

# Student Disability Services

- Accommodations can be provided with documentation, and the student will work with the SJR State Disabilities Services to determine what documentation is needed.
- The accommodations process should begin as soon as possible, in order for the student to receive accommodations in a timely manner.

# Registration and Number of Credit Hours Per Semester

- Fall – Middle of August to the second week of December.
  - Regular dual enrollment – 10 credit hours
  - Early admission students – minimum 12 credit hours and maximum 16 credit hours
- Spring – Second week of January to the end of April.
  - Regular dual enrollment – 10 credit hours
  - Early admission students – minimum 12 credit hours and maximum 16 credit hours
- Summer – **All** dual enrollment students – maximum 8 credit hours for the summer.
  - Three different sessions: 1) begins middle of May to end of June, 2) begins middle of May to middle of August, and 3) begins the first part of July to middle of August.

# Summer Semester

- Students in the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades may take Dual Enrollment classes at the SJR State College campus during Summer A and Summer B. Student may take 2 classes total during the summer session.
- Students in the 12<sup>th</sup> grade are not eligible to register for Summer A courses as a dual enrollment student since the summer courses end after high school graduation. However, you may register as a traditional fee paying student for Summer B courses.

# SJR State Dual Enrollment Outcomes: Student Success Data

Academic Year	High School Site	College Campus	Online	All Dual Enrollment Students
2010 - 2011	97.83%	90.00%	88.64%	93.90%
2011-2012	97.55%	92.43%	81.13%	94.71%
2012 – 2013	98.19%	92.29%	88.05%	95.02%

*Success is defined as achieving a grade of A, B, or C divided by total number of students enrolled in course.*

*Source: Internal SJR State data*