Dual Enrollment Information for Parents and Students

What is dual enrollment?

Dual enrollment is an accelerated program for high school students which allows them to earn high school and college credits simultaneously through full or part-time enrollment at PSC or UWF. Books and tuition are paid for by the school district.

Who can take dual enrollment?

Juniors and seniors in private or public high schools in Escambia county.

Who should take dual enrollment?

Highly motivated students who are consistently at a 3.0 or higher GPA in their academic, core courses.

What qualifications are needed to take dual enrollment?

Students must have a 3.0 cumulative <u>unweighted</u> grade point average (GPA), and score appropriately on one of the college entry exams.

Which college entry exams does a student need to take to qualify?

Either the CPT, ACT, or SAT. A score sheet is available from the guidance counselors that shows the scores and courses associated with them.

What is the difference between dual enrollment and Advanced Placement?

Dual enrollment is a Florida acceleration program in which students are enrolled in the college course of the college campus. They are actually considered students of the college. Advanced Placement is a national curriculum course offered at the high school which awards college credit based on the results of a test administered in the late Spring. AP has no entrance requirements.

Can a student go to the college campus for dual enrollment courses?

Yes, part time, if a course is not offered on our campus. or full-time in a program known as Early Admissions.

How many DE hours can a student take?

There is no maximum number, but students are cautioned to not overextend themselves. Early Admission (full-time) students must take no fewer than 12 per term.

What happens if a student wants to drop a course?

Courses taken on the high school campus can only be dropped within the first two weeks of the term. Courses taken on the PSC campus (if not part of the high school term's registration) can be dropped up to the deadline established by PSC. *Students who are Early Admission can not drop below a course load of 12 credits in a term, if they do, they forfeit the opportunity to do Early Admission in the next term.*

Other items to note:

Students must have *college level* placement scores in English, Reading and Math to continue past 12 credit hours.

Students can complete an AA degree through dual enrollment

Students can utilize all PSC student services including "Pirate" email.

Students who complete their AA degree through PSC can transfer these credits to a public college or university in Florida to complete their four year degree.