



Dual Enrollment

High School and Home School Students

Dual Enrollment allows students to earn college credit while still in high school. If you are a high school junior or senior, or home school equivalent, and you are at least 16 years of age, you may be able to take courses at WCC. When you take a dual enrollment course, you will have a WCC transcript that documents the course you take and the grade you receive. This will become a part of your official college transcript.

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Q: Who can participate?

A: Students must be high school juniors or seniors or the homeschooled equivalent. You must have the support of your parents, principal and high school counselor who verify that you are ready for college-level work. You must also obtain a qualifying score on the college English and math placement test.

DUAL CREDIT STUDENTS are high school students enrolled in college credit classes who receive both college credit and credit toward their high school graduation requirements.

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Q: Which classes can students take?

A: WCC offers a variety of courses. Popular courses include English composition, biology, U.S. history, U.S. government, pre-calculus and chemistry. There are other courses available, but will vary depending on the high school. If you are interested in a career or technical skill, you can choose courses in fields such as administrative support technology, machine

or construction technology, information technology or practical nursing. Dual enrolled students must take the VPT placement test to determine eligibility to take these courses.

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Q: What if I have an IEP at my high school?

A: High school juniors and seniors with special needs or disabilities may participate if they earn qualifying scores on the placement tests, and are able to participate and achieve in class without modification of course work. For more information regarding students with disabilities visit the Disability Services website.

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Q: Is financial aid available for dual enrollment students?

A: No. College-based financial aid is not available for high school students.

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Q: Can I transfer my credits to a four-year college or university?

A: As with other courses taken at WCC, many credits earned through dual enrollment typically transfer to four-year colleges and universities. However, some courses are not designed to transfer. Colleges and universities have specific policies regarding acceptance of transfer credits. You should contact the college or university you are considering to discuss the transferability of dual enrollment courses.

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Q: Do you know about Virginia's Guaranteed Admissions Agreements and Transfer Agreements?

A: WCC graduates who earn an associate of science or associate of arts degree, and who meet criteria specified by each senior institution, are guaranteed admission to more than 40 area colleges and universities including schools like Radford University, Virginia Tech and the University of Virginia.

To read more about the requirements of the colleges that interest you visit the [Virginia Education Wizard](#) and look at the transfer link to search agreements, visit the transfer planner and learn more about the transfer grant.

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Q: Where do I start if I want to take a dual enrollment class?

A: If you are a high school sophomore and considering taking a dual enrollment class your junior year, begin with talking to your high school guidance counselor. You may also contact WCC's Dual Enrollment Coordinator at salexander@wcc.vccs.edu or call 276-223-4753.

Enrollment of Home School Students

WCC will consider the admission of students who are less than 18 years of age and do not have a high school diploma, who are not attending a public or private school, and who are documented as "home school students." The program of studies for such admitted students is considered enrichment to their home school program. It is not intended to substitute for the home school experience. These students may be accepted at WCC as described below:

The college will consider the admission of students who are less than 18 years of age and do not have a high school diploma, who are not attending a public or private school, and who are documented as "home school students." These students may be accepted at Wytheville Community College as described below.

The following policies and procedures will apply to the enrollment of home school students:

1. An applicant for admission who does not have a high school diploma and is not at least 18 years of age is required to demonstrate, prior to enrollment, appropriate basic skills equal to those expected of other entering students.
2. All enrolled students are subject to all of the rules, policies, and procedures of the college pertaining to attendance, confidentiality of records, conduct, etc., as described in the WCC Catalog and Student Handbook.
3. Students who are home schooled must provide current documentation (letters to/from school system or state) that they are "home school students" to the Office of Admissions and Records prior to enrollment in the college.
4. The home school student must meet with a college counselor to discuss enrollment prior to registration.
5. The college counselor will make a recommendation to the Vice President of Instruction and Student Development or designee concerning approval of the student's request for course enrollment. All subsequent registrations as a "home school student" will require the approval of a college counselor.
6. The home school student is subject to the same basic skills assessment requirements as are other enrolling students and may be required to complete appropriate developmental courses.

