



**WGHS
DUAL CREDIT
INFORMATION
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WHAT IS DUAL CREDIT?

- Students enrolled in Advanced College Credit (ACC) classes at WGHS may elect to simultaneously earn college credit and high school credit for the same class.
- WGHS partners with University of Missouri-St. Louis and MO State University to offer dual credit for students. The partnering college varies depending on the course.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- Students enroll in the college class prior to the registration deadline.
- The student completes the course at WGHS, taught by their WGHS teacher.
- The WGHS teacher issues a high school grade and a college grade at the end of the course.
- When the student graduates from WGHS, they request their college transcript (from UMSL, SLU, and/or MO State). That credit will be sent to student's attending college and will (likely) be added to the student's attending college transcript.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- Sophomores with a 3.0 cumulative gpa
- Juniors and Seniors with a 2.50 gpa
- ***It's important for students to perform well in these classes as their grades will often be added to their receiving college's transcript as well. We do not want you to start college with a low GPA.***

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

It depends on the college offering your class:

UMSL: \$68 per credit hour

MO State: \$70 per credit hour (free for students who qualify for free or reduced lunch)

WILL MY CREDIT TRANSFER?

- While most (95% according to UMSL) colleges will accept dual credit earned in high school, some will not. The exceptions tend to be the most highly selective colleges and universities.
- In our experience, most students report successful transfer of credit earned while in high school.
- Students should contact their prospective colleges regarding transferability of courses.
- The University of Connecticut has created [this website](#) to help students find this information.

HOW IS THIS DIFFERENT FROM AP CREDIT?

- Students who enroll in Dual Credit courses only have to complete the WGHS course requirements to earn credit. There is not a national/standardized test at the end of the course.
- Students who would like to earn college credit through AP testing, must take a national AP exam in May. Each college has their own AP score policy for awarding credit based upon a student's scores.
- AP credit is universally accepted. As mentioned before, dual credit is widely accepted but not 100% of the time.
- Many of our AP classes are ACC classes while some (Physics, Chemistry, World History, Biology, Statistics) are not.

HOW AND WHEN DO I REGISTER?

- When?
 - UMSL: Now-February 7th
 - MO State: Now-February 12th
- How?
 - UMSL: www.umsl.edu/acp
 - MO State: <https://dualcredit.missouristate.edu/currentstudents.htm>

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