

Making the Most of Dual Enrollment

Choosing DE classes that help you get ahead in college



What we will answer today:

- What is a college credit?
- What is a core curriculum?
- How do I know what courses are required for my major?
- How will I know what my Dual Enrollment course will count for at another college?





Understanding College Credits

In college you will earn **Credit Hours** based on the time spent in the classroom.

Most college courses are worth 3 credit hours since they typically meet 3 days a week for 1 hour or 2 days a week for 1.5 hours.



Understanding College Credits

- As a full time student, you will take 4 or 5 courses per semester
- An Associate's Degree is usually around 60-65 credit hours
- A Bachelor's Degree is usually around 120-135 credit hours.



Earning a College Degree

Core Curriculum

Courses required of ALL students intending to earn a degree at a specific college. It covers a broad range of subjects like math, science, humanities, and social sciences. .

This is often 35-45 credit hours.

Requirements for your Major

These courses are specific to your major and go far more in depth into the subject area.

This will be the majority of your college classes and will take up the majority of your junior and senior years.

Electives

You will also get to take some classes that are just for fun or are elective choices specific to your major.

This is often about 15-30 credit hours.

Dual Enrollment Planning

Dual Enrollment courses can:

- Meet some of your High School requirements
- Help you get a head start on tackling the college core curriculum
- Reduce the time it takes for you to earn your degree
- Save you money!
 - HOPE Scholarship (3.0 unweighted GPA or 21 on your ACT) can help you pay for graduate school to earn a Master's or Doctorate degree if you still have some left over after your earning your Bachelor's degree.



Dual Enrollment Planning

Make the most out of earning DE credit:

- Choose classes that meet some of your High School requirement AND typical college core curriculum
- How far ahead do you want to be when you start college...1 or 2 classes, 1 semester, 1 year?
- Research the core curriculum for the college you'd like to attend
- Look for the courses requirements for your major

BEST PLANNING RESOURCES



The Undergraduate Catalog

Core Curriculum / Gen Eds

Understand what courses
you will take to meet the
core curriculum
requirements.

Requirements for your Major

Make sure you are
taking the right courses
for your major,
especially in math.

Course Equivalency

Make sure that the course meets the
requirement you think it will

Finding the Academic Catalog

- **Google:** [College Name] Core Requirements or Academic Catalog
- Find the Core Curriculum or General Education Requirements
- Locate the Major you're considering



Prerequisites for your Major

- Often your major will require specific classes before you can get into some of the classes for your major
- Ex: Chemistry Major -
 - MATH 141 Calculus 1 required, but MATH 130 Precalculus 1 with a grade of C or better



Most Important Questions

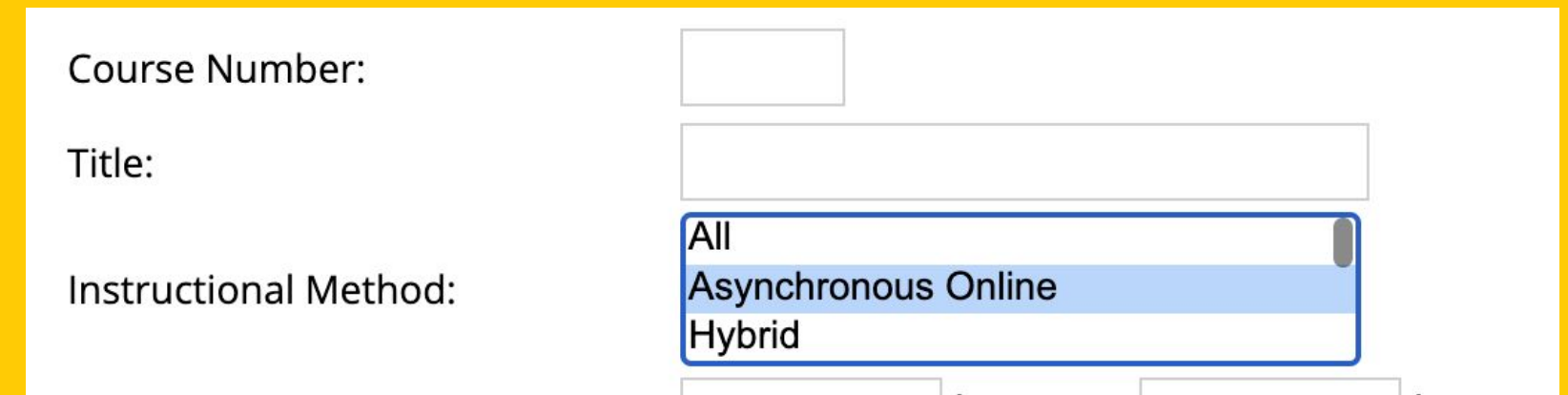
- Does this class meet a **Core Requirement** or a **prerequisite** for your **Major**?
- Have you confirmed that the class transfers the way you think it will?



Finding DE Courses options

Pellissippi

- Google "Pellissippi Dynamic Schedule"
- Choose upcoming term
 - Select Subject Area
 - Choose Asynchronous Online
 - Class Search



A screenshot of a web form for course selection. It includes three input fields: 'Course Number:' with a small rectangular box, 'Title:' with a larger rectangular box, and 'Instructional Method:' with a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, showing three options: 'All', 'Asynchronous Online' (which is highlighted with a blue background), and 'Hybrid'. Below these fields, there are two more empty rectangular boxes.

Tusculum

- Google "Tusculum Dual Enrollment"
- Scroll Down, Click on Step 5 Course selection Form