

BENEFITS OF DUAL ENROLLMENT

Want to hit the accelerator on your college degree and future?
Find out why dual enrollment may be a smart strategy for you!

SAVE MONEY

Class tuition may be covered by your state or school district. Even if your family has to pay out of pocket, dual enrollment classes are typically much less expensive than they would be if you were an enrolled college student.

SAVE TIME

Dual enrollment allows you to fulfill both high school and college credit requirements simultaneously. Completing college courses while in high school also frees you up to finish your degree, start graduate school, and begin earning money in your career sooner.

PREPARE FOR COLLEGE-LEVEL CLASSES

Many students enter college unprepared for the difficult classes awaiting them. Dual enrollment exposes you to college-level academics so you can see what's expected of you and prepare.

TAKE CLASSES FOR YOUR COLLEGE MAJOR SOONER

Knocking out general education requirements in high schools lets you enroll in your major-specific classes sooner. Besides taking these exciting, relevant courses sooner, you'll also get the chance to take more of the classes that interest you.

GIVE YOURSELF A CHANCE TO DOUBLE MAJOR

If you're considering a double major, dual enrollment gives you the valuable head start you need. Double majors typically face a heavy course load, so finishing required credits in high school frees up your schedule to take on these additional classes.

USE COLLEGE CLUBS AND SERVICES

Depending on the college where you're taking your dual enrollment class, you may also be eligible to participate in the on-campus clubs, events, and services offered to regular students. You can get a better feel for college life, sharpen your skills, and expand your education outside of the classroom.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- You must meet certain academic requirements to participate, and these vary by program.
- Not all colleges will accept all dual enrollment credits, so always double check.
- Dual enrollment format can vary widely among schools, so check if the course delivery meets your expectations.
- You may have to pay out of pocket if your state or district doesn't cover the entire cost.
- The number of college credits you can earn may be limited.
- Dual enrollment may not be your only option, so research whether other credit options, such as Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate, may be better for you.

Visit [USF's Office of Early University Programs](#) to learn more about earning college credit and experiencing university classes while completing your high school degree.



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