



College Credit Plus Frequently Asked Questions

What is required for me to participate in College Credit Plus?

1. With a parent or guardian, attend an information/counseling session and sign a form stating that you have received counseling about the program and understand your responsibilities under College Credit Plus.
2. Turn in the completed Intent to Participate form by April 1 if you intend to take a College Credit Plus course on a university or college campus next fall.
3. Apply to the college(s) whose courses you plan to take by the deadlines set by the college(s). Complete any additional requirements imposed by the college, such as taking a placement test to determine which courses you are ready for and attending an orientation meeting before classes begin.

Can I take any other courses besides those offered at the high school?

Yes. Once you are accepted at a college – or at multiple colleges – you may take any course offered by the college(s) for which you are qualified and in which there is space. You may take courses at the high school, courses on the college campus, courses offered online by the college, courses offered at other locations run by the college, or any combination of these.

To find a college's full list of course offerings, go to the college website and type "course catalog" into the search box. Note that not all courses listed in the catalog are offered every semester or even every year. To find the available courses for an upcoming semester, type "course schedule" or "schedule of classes" into the search box on the college website. For more help finding courses, call the college's registrar's office or the college's College Credit Plus contact person.

Some courses have prerequisites, which are requirements any student must meet before taking the course. Prerequisites might include a minimum score on a placement test or completion of another course. (For example, a student may have to complete Calculus I before taking Calculus II.)

Can I take courses at more than one college or university?

Yes. You may take courses through multiple colleges or universities, even in the same term. Be sure to apply by the colleges' application deadlines to all colleges or universities whose courses you think you may take, as only accepted students may enroll in College Credit Plus courses. Through which colleges and universities can I take courses?

You can take on-campus and online courses through any college or university that participates in the

College Credit Plus program. All public colleges and public universities in Ohio must participate. Private colleges and universities both in and outside Ohio may choose to participate. To find out if a private college or university participates, type "College Credit Plus" into the search box on the college website, or call the college's admissions office.

Which courses are free for students?

Any courses taken through a public Ohio college or university are free to the student. Public colleges and universities cannot charge students any fees in order to participate in College Credit Plus, and required textbooks and materials will be provided at no cost to students. All public colleges and universities in Ohio must participate in College Credit Plus.

What about private colleges?

Private colleges choose whether or not to participate in College Credit Plus. If you take a course through a participating private college, you may have to pay a tuition cost. The charge could be as low as \$33 per credit hour or even less. However, the charge could be as high as \$153 per credit hour, which is the maximum charge. These charges include fees and textbooks. Students whose households qualify for free or reduced-price lunch or other certain programs cannot be charged.

How do I get accepted to a college or university that participates in College Credit Plus?

You must complete that institution's special College Credit Plus application by that institution's deadline. Colleges set College Credit Plus application deadlines as early as April 15, and applications may require several parts and signatures from several people, so be sure to start early on your application(s). Colleges cannot charge an application fee.