



YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

# College

CREDIT PLUS

## [ What is College Credit Plus? ]

**College Credit Plus (CCP)** is a dual-enrollment program for college ready 7th through 12th graders. CCP students can earn both high school and college credit. You can take courses at your high school, online or on YSU's campus.

- **At Your High School:** You take the course at your high school during your regular high school day. High school CCP instructors have the same qualifications as YSU faculty.
- **Online:** You take the class online, taught by YSU faculty. Your high school may provide you with computer access and time during the school day to complete your work. You cannot register until you see your academic advisor and attend orientation on campus. Space in the class is not guaranteed. Online classes follow the YSU calendar.
- **On YSU's Campus:** You come to campus and take classes taught by YSU faculty. The YSU calendar is different from your high school calendar (start/end dates; holidays) and snow days are very rare.

## How is it funded?

- **Option B:** No cost to you. **This option is available only to Ohio residents.** Your high school pays tuition and also textbooks. YSU waives course fees. You earn both high school and college credit.
- **Option A:** You pay for tuition, books, and materials, and can choose to receive only college credit (grade is not factored into the high school GPA) or both high school and college credit. If you want high school credit, you will need to ask to have the course added to your transcript.
- If you are non-public or home schooled and did not get enough State funding for Option B, you can self-pay under Option A.
- **Out of state students self-pay using Option A rates.**

**In order to participate, you must submit a letter of intent by**

**April 1.**

**Contact your school's main office to find out how they handle this process.**



*Opportunities*  
TO ENROLL IN  
SUMMER COURSES

*Earn  
Credits*

FROM A RESEARCH  
UNIVERSITY AND HAVE  
ADDED PRESTIGE ON  
COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

*Receive*

HIGH SCHOOL AND  
COLLEGE CREDIT AT  
THE SAME TIME

*Access*

TO ACADEMIC  
RESOURCES

*Amazing*  
CAMPUS  
EXPERIENCE

*No Cost*

FOR CLASSES!  
(under Option B)

# Why COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS *at* YOUNGSTOWN STATE?

*As a 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade student, making the decision to enroll in college courses is not an easy one. You should discuss the opportunity with your parents and school counselor so that you understand your responsibilities as a college student. Some things you need to consider before making the final decision:*

## High School Transcript/Graduation Requirements

### *What is the benefit?*

Apply college credit to high school graduation requirements, earning high school and college credit at the same time.

### *What should I consider?*

- The college grade is factored into your high school GPA and carries the same weight as AP, IB, or honors courses.
- End of course exams for high school English II, Algebra and Geometry are still required, even if you take the equivalent college course.
- High school graduation could be affected if you do not pass a college course.

## College Transcript/Graduation Requirements

### *What is the benefit?*

- Accelerate your college career with a quality education close to home.  
*Earn up to 30 credits a year (beginning summer term); 120 credits max.*
- Enroll in classes offered on campus, online and in the high school (if available).
- Transfer your credits to University System of Ohio schools – visit [transfercredit.ohio.gov](http://transfercredit.ohio.gov) to learn more about Transfer Assurance Guides.
- May lower the overall cost of your college education.
- May shorten the time to complete your college degree.

### *What should I consider?*

- You are starting a college transcript that will follow you through graduate school.
- If you attend YSU after high school, you will qualify for financial aid based not only on the credit hours earned but also on your high school and college GPA.
- The GPA you earn in CCP is always your GPA at YSU, whether as a freshman or a transfer student.
- Transportation to/from campus is your responsibility.
- If you are planning to attend a private or out of state college, you need to check with the school's Admissions department to see how credits could transfer. If they cannot help you, ask to speak with someone who can.

Earn up to

**30**  
CREDITS  
A YEAR

# Middle/High School vs. College Schedule

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## What is the benefit?

- Taking college classes can provide more options than traditional high school courses.
- You can take classes during the summer, evenings, or weekends, allowing flexibility for other social and sports activities.

## What should I consider?

- Start/End dates, holiday, and snow days can be different; essentially you will keep track of two calendars.
- Check the summer course schedule carefully. There are six different start/end dates.
- College course availability varies. There is no guarantee of enrollment in college courses during times that work well for your school activity schedule.

Summer,  
Evening,  
Weekend  
CLASSES

# Cost – I thought this was free?

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## What is the benefit?

- Tuition, books, and academic fees are no cost to students under Option B.

## What should I consider?

- If you are private/home school, and do not receive enough funding from the state, you can self-pay costs not funded by the state, you will be responsible for costs associated with any classes not funded by the state. (note: home school students are responsible for their own textbooks regardless if funding is awarded).
- If you fail a class or withdraw late, your school district (state if non-public or home school) can make you pay for tuition and books paid on your behalf.

Out of  
pocket  
cost to  
consider

# Academic Resources and Your Responsibility as a College Student

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## What is the benefit?

You have access to the following academic support resources:

- **Academic Advisor** – guides your course selection and explains how it applies to your major.
- **Career Planning** – through the MyPlan career assessment.
- **CCP Orientation** – online, provides you an overview before you meet with your YSU academic advisor.
- **CCP Website** – helps you navigate your college experience! Answers, tools, and resources at your fingertips – [www.ysu.edu/ccp](http://www.ysu.edu/ccp).
- **Center for Student Progress** – provides tutors, academic coaching, and disability services.
- **Maag Library** – access to journals, books, and more at the library or online.
- **Mathematics Assistance Center (The MAC)** – one-on-one tutoring for math classes and sample tests.
- **Writing Center** – consultations to improve college writing skills.

Academic  
Resources

## What should I consider?

As a college student, the expectation is that:

- **You check your YSU email account regularly! We will send you confidential information, program updates, due dates, etc. It is your responsibility to check it.**
- You will come to class on time, pay attention and participate in class discussions.
- The college course will not change because you are a minor OR if the class is taught in high school.
- You follow all YSU policies. For more information, read the Student Code ([ysu.edu/student-conduct/code-of-conduct](http://ysu.edu/student-conduct/code-of-conduct)).
- If you are under the age of 14, a parent/guardian must accompany you while on campus.
- Your academic record is confidential and protected, even if you are a minor. YSU staff cannot talk with your parent/guardian without a FERPA Release Form on file. For more information, visit <https://ysu.edu/registrar/ferpa>.



# [ College Credit Plus Course Choices ]

## How do I know what courses I am qualified to take?

Admission to the CCP program is different than course placement. Just because you are admitted does not mean you are guaranteed to take a course. For instance, your ACT/ SAT scores may be high enough for admission, but your English sub-score may not be high enough to take a Writing I course. The courses listed to the right are offered at area high schools (class availability will vary by school district). The qualifying test score(s) needed is listed\*. If you do not have the required score, you may take placement tests to qualify. The YSU CCP office will send more information to **your YSU email account** about placement testing after you have been accepted into our program.

YSU Course	Test/Placement Score Needed
ART 1501: Foundation of 2D Design (3 c.h.)	None
ART 1521: Foundation Drawing (3 c.h.)	None
BIOL 2601/L: General Biology I w/Lab (4 c.h.)	Enrollment in/Completion of CHEM 1515 AND either an ACT Math 25 or ALEKS Placement Test score = 61
BIOL 2602/L: General Biology II w/Lab (4 c.h.)	Enrollment in/Completion of CHEM 1515 AND either an ACT Math 25 or ALEKS Placement Test score = 61
CHEM 1515/L: General Chemistry I w/Lab (4 c.h.)	One year of HS Chemistry AND either an ACT Math 25 or ALEKS Placement Test score = 61
CHEM 1516/L: General Chemistry II w/Lab (4 c.h.)	Completion of CHEM 1515 with a C or better
CMST 1545: Communication Foundations (3 c.h.)	ACT English 18 or completion of English 1550 or YSU Composition Placement Test score = 33
EDFN 1501: Introduction to Education (3 c.h.)	None
ENGL 1550: Writing I (3 c.h.)	ACT English 18 or YSU Composition Placement Test score = 33
ENGL 2618: American Literature & Diversity (3 c.h.)	None
ENST 1500/L: Introduction to Environmental Studies w/ Lab (3+1 c.h.)	None
FRNC 2606: Intensive French Review (3 c.h.)	Foreign Language Placement Test score = 45
GEOL 1505/L: Physical Geology (4 c.h.)	None
HAHS 1511: Investigations into Social Class (3 c.h.)	None
HIST 1500: Discovering World History (3 c.h.)	None
HIST 1501: American Dreams: Introduction to US History (3 c.h.)	None
ITAL 2605: Advanced Intermediate Italian	Foreign Language Placement Test score = 61
Math 1510: College Algebra (4 c.h.)	ALEKS Placement Test score = 46
Math 1511: Trigonometry (3 c.h.)	ALEKS Placement Test score = 46
Math 1571: Calculus I (4 c.h.)	ACT Math 27 or Completion Math 1510 and 1511 with a C or better or Math 1513 with a C or better or ALEKS Placement Test score = 76
Math 1572: Calculus II (4 c.h.)	Completion of Math 1571 with a C or better
MUHL 2621: Music Lit & Appreciation (3 c.h.)	None
PHYS 1501: Fundamentals of Physics I w/Lab (4+1 c.h.)	ACT Math 27 or completion of Math 1510 and 1511 with a C or better or ALEKS Placement Test score = 76
STAT 2601: Introductory Statistics (3 c.h.)	ALEKS Placement Test score = 46

\* Courses listed above vary in each school district. Course placement requirements may change at any time. Visit the YSU Course Catalog ([catalog.ysu.edu](http://catalog.ysu.edu)) for more information.

## CCP in Honors

If you have a 3.5 cumulative high school GPA and a 26 or higher ACT Composite score, you are eligible to participate in the CCP in Honors program. You will be identified for this prestigious opportunity during the CCP admission process and can earn Honors credit for classes you complete on the YSU campus.



# [ My CCP Application Checklist ]

## STEP 1

**Am I ELIGIBLE to participate in College Credit Plus and be admitted to YSU?**

**Do I have ACT or SAT scores?**

### YES

Do I have an ACT Composite score of 17 (or SAT combined score of 910), 2.0 cumulative HS GPA, **AND** at least one of the following sub-scores?

- ACT English 18
- ACT Math 22
- ACT Reading 22
- SAT Evidence Based Reading/Writing 480
- SAT Math 530

### OR

Do I have an ACT Composite score of 17 (or SAT combined score of 910), a 3.0 cumulative HS GPA, **AND** a sub-score that falls into one of the following ranges?

- ACT English 16 -17
- ACT Math 20-21
- ACT Reading 20-21
- SAT Evidence Based Reading/Writing 450-479
- SAT Math 500-529

The last test dates we accept ACT/SAT scores to be considered for eligibility and admission are listed in the chart under Step Two (next page).

- February ACT for Summer
- March SAT for Summer, Fall, Spring
- April ACT for Fall, Spring

### NO

If you have **NOT** taken the ACT or SAT you may take YSU's CCP Eligibility Test. This is the only free Eligibility Test offered by YSU.

Please call 330-941-2447 to sign up for the test. A CCP staff member will email you registration instructions. You will receive your scores the day you take the test. You are eligible to participate in CCP and can be admitted to YSU if you have either:

A 2.0 cumulative HS GPA and eligibility test scores of

- Writing 263
- Reading 250
- Math 263

### OR

A 3.0 cumulative HS GPA and eligibility test scores of

- Writing 257-262
- Reading 243-249
- Math: Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra & Statistics 259-262 or Advanced Algebra & Functions 257-262

The CCP Eligibility Test is available October 1, 2019 through March 6, 2020.

***If you are not able to answer yes to any of the options above, you are not eligible for College Credit Plus.***



# STEP 2

## I am eligible, how do I complete my YSU application?

- Submit your CCP Letter of Intent to your school CCP coordinator (or the state if you are a non-public or home school student) by **April 1**.
- Meet with your school counselor to discuss course choices, ensuring that you are staying on track to meet high school graduation requirements.
- Decide where you would like to take classes: at your high school, online, on campus, or a mix of the three.
- Complete the YSU CCP application online. Many schools will schedule time for YSU CCP applications during the school day. If yes, you can wait until that day to complete it. If no, then visit the YSU CCP website to apply ([www.ysu.edu/ccp](http://www.ysu.edu/ccp)). The application for the 20-21 year will open in February 2020.

### Application deadlines are:

Your YSU CCP application is not complete without the following documents sent to our office:

- Official high school transcript
- ACT and or SAT scores
- Parent Consent/Financial Responsibility Form
- Campus Education Plan for students interested in taking classes on campus or online
- Home school students only - please refer to our website for additional requirements

DESIRED START TERM	LAST ACT/SAT TEST DATES FOR CONSIDERATION	CCP APPLICATION DEADLINE
Non-Public and Home-school Students	ACT – February for Summer; April for Fall or Spring	March 13, 2020
	SAT – March	
<b>Public School Deadlines</b>		
Summer 2020	ACT – April	March 13, 2020
	SAT – March	
Fall 2020	ACT – April	April 7, 2020
	SAT – March	
Spring 2021	ACT – April	April 7, 2020
	SAT – March	

### Non-Public and Home School Students (additional steps):

1. Sign up for a OH|ID account between **February 15** and **April 1** (Parents)
2. Apply to the CCP program (Students)
3. Submit letter of intent and apply for CCP funding (it is one online form for both) between February 20 and by 5 pm on April 1 (Parents)
  - You will need the student's CCP acceptance letter in order to apply for funding.
4. Look to receive funding award notifications from the Ohio Department of Education before **May 15**

Visit

<https://www.ohiohighered.org/ccp>

and click on **Students and Families** for more information.



## STEP 3

### I applied, now what?

Once we receive your completed application, we review it and send a decision letter to your home address. We cannot review your application or send the decision letter until we receive all of the application material.

If you are accepted, you also get an Enrollment Checklist with your acceptance letter to guide you through the remaining steps of becoming a YSU student. This includes activating your YSU email account, completing placement testing, orientation, advisement and registering for courses.

**After you receive your acceptance letter, we send all communication regarding your next steps ONLY to your YSU email account.**

IMPORTANT! The two biggest reasons why student's do NOT end up enrolling in classes are

1. They did not activate their YSU email account and
2. They did not complete placement testing

- Activate your YSU account and email as soon as you are accepted and get in the habit of checking your YSU email regularly!
- We will email you if you need to do placement testing. Complete placement testing at YSU to qualify for your CCP courses. Information on how to complete placement testing is sent to your YSU email account.

#### Deadline to have placement testing completed by:

- **Summer 2020 classes: April 17, 2020**
- **Fall 2020 and/or Spring 2021: June 26, 2020**

## STEP 4

### Orientation, Advisement, and Registration

The online CCP New Student Orientation course is for you if you have not taken CCP classes at YSU.

If you are new, and want to take classes on campus or online, at the end of the online orientation, select a date to attend the on-campus CCP Advising and Registration Day. The date you choose depends on the first term you plan to take courses. Advising and registration is held on the YSU campus in late April (for Summer semester), mid-to late July (for Fall semester) and early December (for Spring semester).

If you are new and only want to take classes at the high school we will register you. You do not need to come to campus to meet with an advisor.

If you are a continuing CCP student, you complete the online Continuing Student Advisement course. If you are continuing and want to take an online or campus class, you are required to meet with your YSU academic advisor each term before registering for classes.



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### Questions?

Contact CCP Staff at 330-941-2447 or [ccp@ysu.edu](mailto:ccp@ysu.edu)

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