

Frequently Asked Questions about Dual Enrollment

How will my student travel to the college campus while attending classes?

Students must provide their own transportation to and from classes. Sometimes they are able to carpool with other students taking a class at the same time. The majority of our dual enrollment students take classes at Gannon University.

What courses can my student take as a dual enrollment student?

College course selections must be in a core subject area (English, math, science, social studies, world language) and not be a repetition of a course taken at Collegiate Academy. College grades are entered into a student's high school GPA with Advanced Placement weighting. **Courses taken as a high school required course must be taken in the fall semester.**

How do I register my student for dual enrollment?

Application for fall classes occurs when the fall schedule comes out, usually in May. All dual enrollment applications must be completed by the end of May for the fall term. Spring semester registration begins around Thanksgiving and ends the day before holiday break in December. Gannon and Mercyhurst provide registration forms to Collegiate Academy for students; all Behrend registrations are done through the Behrend admissions office. Courses can close and early application with payment is recommended. See a counselor for additional information on each school's registration process.

When can Collegiate Academy students enroll in dual enrollment?

The local colleges limit dual enrollment to junior and senior students (Behrend prefers seniors only). Actual dual enrollment applications will be submitted with payment in May for fall semester and December for spring semester. Deadlines will be announced.

What are the requirements to be accepted as a dual enrollment student?

Requirements vary; Gannon requires a 3.25 GPA and a total of 1030 math/critical reading SAT or PSAT score OR an ACT composite score of 22. Applications and course schedules are available at www.gannon.edu/dual. Applications are available in the counselors' office for all three schools. All schools require a transcript and high school counselor recommendation; see counselor for more information.

How much does it cost to enroll in a college dual enrollment course?

Payment is required with applications. This year costs are as follows:

Gannon University: Approximately \$300 per three-credit course, plus books and any applicable fees.

Mercyhurst College: Approximately \$300 per three-credit course, plus books and any applicable fees.

Penn State Behrend: Approximately \$813 per three-credit course, plus books and any applicable fees.

Can a college course take the place of a required Collegiate course?

Yes, an approved college course can take the place of a Collegiate course, but it must be scheduled fall semester to ensure successful completion.

Why take a college course instead of an Advanced Placement course?

Dual enrollment is simply another academic opportunity for students. College courses and Advanced Placement courses are both great opportunities to enhance your academic record, improve your chance of admission at the college of your choice, and earn college credit.