

# 2023-2024



## The University of Delaware's Early College Credit (ECC) Program

Through the Early College Credit Program, juniors and seniors can experience the variety of academic subjects UD has to offer by taking introductory courses in the arts, social sciences, and science free of charge. Students receive a genuine college experience in UD classes that include both UD undergraduates and high school students. This is a great opportunity for students to get a head start on college, enrolling in University of Delaware courses that fulfill high school and college requirements. If admitted to UD, coursework can be applied toward degree requirements and decrease time of completion and cost of a UD undergraduate degree. University of Delaware credit can also be applied toward degrees at other universities and colleges, subject to approval by the receiving institutions.

**Who May Participate:** Academically qualified high school juniors and seniors may participate with the recommendation of a school official who will coordinate registration with the University through Professional and Continuing Studies.

**Cost:** There is no cost to high school students. Courses are designed with open educational resources to eliminate the cost of textbooks and other class materials.

**Courses:** The courses fulfill general education requirements and may be utilized toward completion of a University of Delaware undergraduate degree.

**Course Format:** All of the courses are online and asynchronous. Asynchronous online courses allow students to log in and complete coursework at a time that is convenient for them each week, without required "live" or "real-time" video components. Even though students have flexibility when they access the courses, there are required assignments and assessments with deadlines which the professors will list on the course syllabi.

**Course Credit:** If the course is taken for a grade, it counts as college level credit, and the earned credits and the grade will be reflected on the student's University of Delaware transcript. Final grades are part of the student's University of Delaware record and count toward the University grade point average (GPA). If admitted to UD, the student's GPA as an incoming student will reflect these grades.

**Course Expectations and Grading:** Students should expect to spend 2-3 hours *per credit* every week on work for each course. Since most University courses are 3 credit hours, this translates to at least 6 hours of study time, in addition to time viewing lectures, each week. Professors will provide students with a course syllabus that details course expectations, due dates for assignments and assessments, and the grading scale for the course.

**Registration Information:** Students register through their school counselor or administrator. They will be provided with a link to the University's Dual Enrollment Application and the registration form to complete.

**Important Academic Dates:** *Dates are subject to change. Please refer to the University's Academic Calendar at <http://www1.udel.edu/registrar/cal/> for the most up-to-date information.*

- **Fall 2023 Semester: August 29 - December 11 (final exams: December 13-17)**
- **Spring 2024 Semester: February 5 – May 16 (final exams: May 18-22)**
  
- **Fall 2023 Drop/Add Period: August 29 - September 12**
- **Spring 2023 Drop/Add Period: February 5 - February 16**

Courses dropped during this time will not show up on the academic record (transcript). Students may also change grading status to pass/fail or listener/audit.

- **Fall 2023 Withdraw/Change of Registration Period: September 13 – November 13**
- **Spring 2024 Withdraw/Change of Registration Period: February 17 – April 29**

Courses withdrawn will receive a withdrawal (W) on the transcript. A withdrawal will not negatively affect the academic record or grade point average. Students may also change grading status to pass/fail or listener/audit.

- **Fall 2023 Late Withdraw/Change of Grading Status: November 14 – December 11**
- **Spring 2024 Late Withdraw/Change of Grading Status: April 30 – May 16**

Changes to the academic record at this point typically require extenuating circumstances.

#### **Students Needing Accommodations:**

- Students receiving accommodations at their high schools may request accommodations for ECC courses by registering with the UD Office of Disability Support Services (DSS) **prior** to the start of the semester.
- More information regarding the process is at [www.udel.edu/dss](http://www.udel.edu/dss).
- High school accommodations will not automatically transfer to UD. Accommodations for UD courses must be approved by DSS.

**Advising:** Academic advisors in the Division of Professional and Continuing Studies Student Services ACCESS Center are available to discuss course options and answer questions. Please email [access-advise@udel.edu](mailto:access-advise@udel.edu) to be connected with an academic advisor.

**Code of Conduct:** Once enrolled in University of Delaware courses, students are subject to University of Delaware policies and procedures. Please visit <https://www1.udel.edu/stuguide/21-22/index.html> for further information regarding the University's Code of Conduct.

**Additional Information:** <http://www.pcs.udel.edu/early-college-credit-program/>

# EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM

## What classes are offered?

The following classes are available for the **fall 2023 semester**. Students may take a maximum of two courses per semester, provided they maintain good academic standing.

### **COMM245172, Media and Society – 3 credit hours**

- The relationship between media and culture; how media affect culture (i.e., socialization and role modeling); and exploration of new forms of mass communication.
- *Fulfills the Social and Behavioral Sciences University Breadth Requirement and/or a Social and Behavioral Science College Breadth Requirement with a grade of C- or higher.*

### **WOMS201172, Introduction to Women's Studies – 3 credit hours**

- Study of causes and conditions determining women's status in society, as evidenced in institutional structures and personal relations between men and women. Taught from multidisciplinary perspectives.
- *Fulfills the Social and Behavioral Sciences University Breadth Requirement and/or a Social and Behavioral Science College Breadth Requirement with a grade of C- or higher. Fulfills the University's Multicultural Requirement.*

### **ENGL151172, Studies in Popular Fiction:**

#### **GOTH LIT: HORROR/SCIFI/CRIME – 3 credit hours**

- Study of popular fiction (literary, cinematic and/or multimedia); may focus on period, theme, single author, etc.
- *Fulfills the Creative Arts and Humanities University Breadth Requirement and/or a Creative Arts and Humanities College Breadth Requirement with a grade of C- or higher.*

### **UAPP110172, Changing the World and Public Policy – 3 credit hours**

- "Going Green," the haves and have nots, relevant politics - all huge contemporary issues. Can you get a job AND make a difference? Public policy addresses such issues and begins with you. Examines basic policy concepts/strategies used by citizens, government and other societal institutions.
- *Fulfills the Social and Behavioral Science University Breadth Requirement and/or a Social and Behavioral Science College Breadth Requirement with a grade of C- or higher.*

(see reverse side for spring 2024 classes)



# EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM

## What classes are offered?

The following classes are available for the **spring 2024 semester**. Students may take a maximum of two courses per semester, provided they maintain good academic standing.

### **GEOL105172, Geological Hazards and Their Human Impact – 3 credit hours**

- Geological processes and events that adversely affect humans and civilization. Methods for predicting and dealing with geological hazards.
- *Fulfills the Math, Natural Sciences and Technology University Breadth Requirement and/or a Math, Natural Sciences and Technology College Breadth Requirement with a grade of C- or higher.*

### **ANFS102172, Food for Thought – 3 credit hours**

- Overview of our foods today including how the composition, safety, processing and chemistry influence our choices and overall production. The effects of social influences and marketing of foods will be discussed as these are important considerations for individuals and food companies.
- *Fulfills the Math, Natural Sciences and Technology University Breadth Requirement and/or a Math, Natural Sciences and Technology College Breadth Requirement with a grade of C- or higher. Fulfills the University's Multicultural Requirement.*

### **ART204172, Media/Design/Culture – 3 credit hours**

- Current and historical media processes and their impact on art, design and culture. Image making and manipulation, video, audio, interactivity and connectivity. Viewing fine art and design projects, the historical aspects of design and digital media, basic media theory, and universal principles of software and digital media. Projects include writing, creating visual media and making presentations. Unfamiliar media experienced firsthand through exhibitions, screenings, lectures, online exploration and consumer media devices.
- *Fulfills the Creative Arts and Humanities University Breadth Requirement and/or a Creative Arts and Humanities College Breadth Requirement with a grade of C- or higher. Fulfills the University's Multicultural Requirement.*

*(see reverse side for fall 2023 classes)*



# GET A JUMP-START ON COLLEGE!



## What is the Early College Credit Program?

Through the Early College Credit Program, academically qualified high school juniors and seniors from participating Delaware high schools experience the variety of academic subjects the University of Delaware has to offer by taking introductory courses in the arts, social sciences and science free of charge, simultaneously earning high school and college credits.

## How are the classes conducted?

The ECC courses are taught asynchronously online to high school and UD undergraduate students through Canvas (UD's learning management system). All ECC courses are designed and taught by UD faculty. Asynchronous online courses allow students to log in and complete coursework at a time that is convenient for them each week, without live or real-time video components. Even though students have flexibility when they access the courses, there are required assignments and assessments with deadlines that the professors will list on the course syllabi.

## Is it really free?

**Yes, there is no cost to schools or the students for courses, textbooks and materials.**

## What are the benefits for students?

Students experience college-level courses and the opportunity to interact virtually with UD undergraduates. Upon successful completion of courses, they are awarded college credit. These free academic credits are highly valuable both as educational experiences and as real progress toward an undergraduate degree. This is a truly unique program in the value it offers to students attending Delaware high schools.

## If students are admitted to UD, how will these courses be recognized?

The courses fulfill University of Delaware general education requirements and may be utilized toward completion of a UD undergraduate degree. As a result, these credits will decrease the time to completion and cost of a UD bachelor's degree.

## What if students enroll at another college?

Students can also apply UD credit toward degrees at other universities and colleges, pending approval by the receiving institutions.

## What do students need to do to be successful?

Our faculty want students to be curious, ready to engage with their online community, mindful of time management and open to thinking differently. Students who put work into their classes regularly (watching videos, responding to discussions, asking questions in student hours), reflect on their own learning, and stay on top of deadlines will be set up for success.



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