



TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 211

# Dual Credit Offerings in District 211

## Dual Credit: Getting a Head Start on College Credit

### ***What is Dual Credit?***

Dual credit is a high school course aligned to a college or university course that is taught at the high school by high school faculty for high school credit. Students are able to receive college credit by successfully completing the course, in addition to passing the assessment developed and/or recognized by the college or university. In essence, students will be earning high school and college credit simultaneously. Most of District 211's dual credit opportunities are offered through William Rainey Harper College. Some classes in the Project Lead the Way course sequence in the Applied Technology Department are available for college credit through the University of Iowa or Iowa State University. The Mathematics Department offers Multivariable Calculus M579 for dual credit through the University of Illinois. The Business Department offers Entrepreneurship B284 as a dual credit option through Northern Illinois University for those students planning to major in Business at the university.

### ***Who is Eligible for Dual Credit?***

High school students, generally juniors and seniors, who meet all college course pre-requisites, are eligible for dual credit enrollment. Students in these dual credit college courses should have a high level of motivation and adequate time to devote to studying for college level course work.

### ***Transferring Dual Credit Courses***

Dual credit enrollment credit is accepted by most state schools. Students who plan to attend a private or out-of-state school should check with their counselor or the private or out-of-state schools on their policy of accepting dual credit courses.

### ***How Do I Register for Dual Credit Courses Through William Rainey Harper College?***

To receive college credit for completing the dual credit course, students will need to complete the online Harper College Permission to Participate Form. A high school counselor assigned to the dual credit process will assist all students in the class interested in pursuing the dual credit with the online form. There is no charge to register for the dual credit course through Harper College.

### ***How do I register for Dual Credit Courses through the University of Illinois, Iowa State, or the University of Iowa?***

To receive college credit for completing the dual credit course, students will need to complete the application specific to the university. A high school counselor assigned to the dual credit process or the classroom teacher will assist all students in the class interested in pursuing the dual credit with the application process. There is a fee ranging from \$200.00 to \$300.00 for the application depending on the university's process.

### ***Advantages of Taking Dual Credit Courses***

Students have the opportunity to experience the rigor of a college-level course and get an early start on completing their basic college courses. Students save time by taking classes while in high school that can be applied toward a college degree. Students also gain experience as a college student, so they learn early what to expect from college-level courses. Students fulfill high school graduation requirements and, at the same time, earn college credits toward a specialized certification, associate's degree, or bachelor's degree. Most importantly, students save significant dollars as the average per credit hour cost for college coursework is \$425.00. Most courses are two to three credit hours.

## **Dual Credit Courses in District 211**

A256 Art and Contemporary Society

Art portfolio review for seniors in art and drawing classes

B284 Entrepreneurship

H333 Chemistry of Foods

H275 Fashion and Retail Merchandising

H476 or H477 or H277 Fashion

H456 and H457 Pre-School Lab Independent Study

L462 French 4

L476 Advanced Topic in Spanish

L466 Spanish 4

M348 Advanced Algebra 2/ Pre-Calculus

M415 Quantitative Literacy

M579 Multivariable Calculus

R313 Health Career Exploration and Medical Terminology

R314 Certified Nursing Assistant

T303 Project Lead the Way Digital Electronics

T346 Building Construction