



DUAL AND ARTICULATED CREDIT FAQs

What is dual credit?

- In dual credit, a student is enrolled in a course that allows him or her to earn high school and college credit at the same time. This course may be taught on a college/high school campus or online, but it will be in conjunction with a college or university. Grades for dual credit courses are recorded on both the high school and college transcript.

What are Advanced Placement (AP) courses?

- AP courses are opportunities to earn college credit while in high school. To earn credit in an AP class, students must pass an end-of-course (AP) exam.

What is articulated credit?

- Articulated credit is awarded to a student who successfully completes a career and technical course after they enroll at a participating postsecondary institution.

What should students know about dual, articulated or AP courses?

- Students are responsible for their own learning and expectations are usually higher. Extra credit, make up work and frequent reminders usually don't exist in these courses.
- Students taking dual credit courses are creating a transcript or permanent academic record that will follow them into the future.
- Eligibility for financial aid usually depends on passing grades.
- Earning too many dual credits beyond those required for their degree or major may jeopardize their financial aid.

	DUAL CREDIT	ARTICULATED CREDIT	ADVANCED PLACEMENT
Courses	Meets high school requirements toward graduation.	Meets high school requirements toward graduation.	Meets high school requirements toward graduation.
Affiliation	Students are enrolled at a Kentucky postsecondary institution while in high school.	Affiliation based on local and/or state articulation agreements.	No affiliation to any university.
Grades	Grades become a part of the student's official college transcript.	Grades become a part of the official college transcript for students meeting requirements of the postsecondary institution.	High school grade does not appear on college transcript.
Credit	Upon successful completion, students receive college credit.	Upon successful completion, students receive college credit IF they attend the participating institution.	Earning college credit depends upon passing the AP exam.
Cost Savings	Students taking a dual credit course with a participating postsecondary institution may have reduced tuition rates.	Students taking an articulated credit course with a participating postsecondary institution may have reduced tuition rates.	Potential to save tuition costs if student passes the AP exam.