

Earning GCC/ACE Credits in High School Things to Consider

- ❖ How will you use the credit?
 - Reduce your time in college/graduate early?
 - Lighten your course load each semester?
 - Replace Liberal Arts/Core requirements?
- ❖ Do you need/can you even use every credit available to you?
 - DHS students can potentially earn over 40 college credits
 - For example, 15 can be earned just in social studies – that's a full college semester! It is helpful to consider if you'll need, or can even transfer, all the credits available to you
- ❖ A thought regarding courses in your future college major:
 - Consider if you want to transfer in GCC credit and skip your college's introductory level class. You may find you'd prefer to take all your major coursework at your college campus.
 - Courses outside your major (those you use for General Education requirements, for example) may have less of a chance of impacting your future success in your program and can free up your schedule for classes you'd like to take.

Suggestions before registering:

- ❖ Call the admissions office, or check the college website, for a few colleges to check their transfer policies. Will the credits help? Will they impact your future financial aid?
- ❖ Check the list of required classes for your potential major. Which GCC/ACE options can you even use? Which would you prefer to take at your college?
- ❖ Consider your college plans. Will the GCC/ACE class impact your major? Would you like to earn your degree as quickly as possible? Will transferring in GCC/ACE classes limit your college elective options?

Being able to purchase college credits in High School is a great opportunity and we hope this information is useful in helping you make your decision.

Please see your School Counselor if you'd like to discuss this further!