

P.S.E.O. NIGHT

Robbinsdale Armstrong High School - February 22, 2024



AGENDA

- Introductions
- Background
- Forms and Timelines
- U of M
- Hennepin Tech
- North Hennepin
- Questions

SPEAKERS

- ★ Jamie Dukowitz, Counselor at Armstrong
- ★ Danielle Fehring, Hennepin Tech
- ★ Sam Kelly, North Hennepin CC
- ★ Andrew Kopelman, University of Minnesota

WHAT IS PSEO?

- The **P**ost-**S**econdary **E**nrollment **O**ptions program, also known as PSEO, was created in 1985 as a means to "promote rigorous educational pursuits and provide a wider variety of options for students." Through PSEO, high school students receive both high school and college/university credit for college or university courses that are completed.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- *Minnesota high school students are eligible going into their:*
 - **Sophomore year:** Has taken 8th-grade MCA reading test and had a proficiency level of “meets or exceeds”. Eligible students can enroll in one **Career and Technical Education (CTE) course**.
 - **Junior year:** typically in the **top 1/3 of their class**
 - **Senior year:** typically in the **top 1/2 of their class**
- Local agreement - 2.75 gpa
- Each institution may have their own requirements

COST?



HISTORY AT AHS

	Semester 1	Semester 2
2019-2020	129 students	145 students
2020-2021	145	146
2021-2022	136	155
2022-2023	129	173
2023-2024	168	157

- Most students do part-time
- Most students take online classes
- Many students go to North Hennepin
- We have had students go to Normandale, St. Cloud State, Bethel, UM Morris, Winona and many more.

CREDITS

- College credits will count for $\frac{1}{2}$ as many for Armstrong
 - For example a 4 Credit "College Writing" course will count for 2 high school credits of English at AHS
- Students need to make sure they are meeting their Armstrong graduation requirements for credits
- Almost all credits will transfer to colleges, but each student will need to check with the college they attend

GRADES

- All grades earned at the college will be placed on the transcript
- Be careful when dropping courses to check deadlines – these are permanent grades on a college transcript
- There are no mid-quarter or quarter grade checks
- Students will eventually need to request their college transcripts be sent to the college they attend after they graduate



FORMS

- Each college has their own application
- AHS Agreement and Letter of Understanding Sheet
- MN State PSEO Three Part Form
- Finish all forms and hand into Darcie, Guidance Registrar
- Darcie will add transcripts (and test scores if needed), counselors will fill out our section of forms and we will email them to the college

Form in Guidance



NEW

PSEO Application

(STUDENTS ALSO NEED TO APPLY ONLINE)

PLEASE RETURN THE PSEO AGREEMENT AND THE 2024-25
NOTICE OF STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM TO THE
GUIDANCE OFFICE BEFORE THE DEADLINE DATE BELOW:

AHS DEADLINE DATE

U OF M TWIN CITIES : APR 12, 2024
OTHER COLLEGES:
PRIORITY APPLICATION - APRIL 12, 2024
FINAL DEADLINE - MAY 31, 2024

ROBBINSDALE ARMSTRONG HIGH SCHOOL
PSEO Agreement and Letter of Understanding

1. Students interested in the PSEO program must:
 - Complete the PSEO application online on the college's website AND read all communication from the college on required steps for enrollment.
 - Sign the PSEO Agreement and Letter of Understanding
 - Fill out the top portion of the "PSEO Notice of Student Registration" form.
 - The PSEO Agreement and the Notice of Student Registration forms need to be returned to the Guidance Office.
 - Have a counselor complete another "Notice of Student Registration" form before registering for each new semester.
2. Students are reminded that PSEO grades and credits are reported, counted, and included in GPA and class rank. These grades are of equal value to Armstrong grades and are not weighted.
3. All PSEO applications must be completed before the deadline for proper processing. Colleges may have different PSEO application deadlines.
4. Students must maintain a full time status as a full time college student or attending both AHS and college to equal a full time schedule of 6 credits.
5. Students should keep up to date with school based announcements. Students should regularly check Schoology for school information, including, but not limited to graduation and scholarship information.
6. Families and students should monitor their college grades, high school transcript and graduation status.
7. PSEO institution I'm planning to attend: _____
Full Time: _____ Part Time: _____

Please supply a student e-mail address below to ensure you get high school information and deadlines. This should be an e-mail address you check frequently:

Student email needed above

RAHS POST-SECONDARY ENROLLMENT OPTION ACT AGREEMENT

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Student Name Printed

Parent Name Printed

Date

Date

Full or part time

Email address

Student signs

Parent signs

Instructions: Complete a Notice of Student Registration Form (NOSR) for each student's term and postsecondary institution (PSI). Once Sections 1 and 2 are completed, work with both your high school and postsecondary institution to ensure your Section 3 courses fulfill an unmet academic graduation requirement.

Eligibility: Courses in Section 3 may only be those that fulfill a student's unmet academic graduation requirements as courses for postsecondary credit only are ineligible. This form is submitted by the postsecondary institution to Minnesota Department of Education (MDE).

MDE College Student ID Number: _____

1. Student and Parent/Guardian Complete and Sign This Section

Student Name (Last, First, M.I.) _____ Male ☐ Female ☐ Unreported ☐ Birthdate (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP Code _____ Phone _____

Postsecondary Institution This Term _____ Parent/Guardian Name _____ Address (if different from student) _____

Public School Students: Minnesota Statute 2021, section 124D.09, subdivision 7, to assist the district in planning a pupil must inform the district by May 30 of each year the pupil's intent to enroll in postsecondary courses during the following school year. A pupil is bound by notifying or not notifying the district by May 30. If the district has not waived the deadline, I/we may responsible for the postsecondary course cost.

Date I/we notified the district the intent to enroll in PSEO for either semester, school year 2022-23. _____

All Students: Minnesota Statute 2021, section 124D.09, subdivision 6, Prior to enrolling in a course the pupil and pupil's parent/ guardian must sign a form stating they have received PSEO information (including transportation); know counseling services are available; understand PSEO responsibilities and are aware the student is enrolling in PSEO courses.

My signature(s) below indicates I/we are aware that if the course(s) registered for do not fulfill unmet academic requirements for graduation, I/we may be responsible for the postsecondary course costs.

Student Signature _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____
(if student under 18)

2. To be Completed by Secondary/Nonpublic/Home School

Public ☐ Nonpublic ☐ Home School ☐ Secondary/Nonpublic/Home School Name _____ Secondary School Type (Select one) _____ Public Student SSID* Number _____

Attending Public School District Name _____ Attending Public School District Number (xxxx-xx) _____

Student grade level during the 2022-23 school year. (Select one): Grade 10 ☐ Grade 11 ☐ Grade 12 ☐

Eligibility Note: High school graduates and/or students who have fulfilled all of their academic requirements for graduation, and 21-year-olds are not eligible. Students must also give up one period in their high school day.

Does this student have at least one free class period during the high school day? Yes ☐ No ☐

Is the above student eligible for program application? (See Page 3 for requirements) Yes ☐ No ☐

Public School: The student in Section 1 meets both PSEO student and course eligibility requirements for this term as outlined on pages 3-4 and the student information in Section 2 is accurate. The public school student notified the enrolling district of intent to enroll by May 30, 2022, or the school district has waived the deadline requirement.

Secondary School Contact Name _____ Contact Signature _____ Email _____ Phone _____ Date _____

Student fills out

Student signs

Parent signs

Counselor fills out

Student Name (Last, First, M.I.) _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ College Student ID Number _____

3 To be Completed by the Postsecondary Institution

Name of Postsecondary Institution (PSI) _____ PSI Number _____ City of Postsecondary Institution _____
Term of planned attendance (select one): ☐ Semester 1 ☐ Semester 2 ☐ Quarter (Qtr) 1 ☐ Qtr 2 ☐ Qtr 3

Postsecondary Institution Contact Name _____ Email _____ Telephone _____

Courses Taken for Secondary Credit

	Course Number	Course Credits
Course #1		
Course #2		
Course #3		
Course #4		
Course #5		
Course #6		

I certify the student identified in Section 1 is registered this term for the courses indicated above, all courses are non-sectarian in content, are not remedial or developmental, and the student has indicated to me the courses are to be taken for secondary credit.

Signature — Postsecondary Institution Contact (wet signature) _____ Title _____ Date _____

Required under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.09, subdivision 5

"If an institution accepts a secondary pupil for enrollment under this section, the institution shall send written notice to the pupil, the pupil's school or school district. The notice must indicate the course and hours of enrollment of that pupil."

The postsecondary institution must mail a copy of this form to the following address:

Minnesota Department of Education
Division of School Finance
1500 Highway 36 West
Roseville, MN, 55113

*MARSS stands for Minnesota Automated Reporting Student System

College fills out



TIMELINE

February-April - Application Deadlines

- U of M – April 15th is the earliest
- Check with each school
- *(Counselor forms must be done before school ends)*

March-May - Apply and wait to hear back

March- July - Go into the college and take placement test, if needed

May-August - Register for college classes

Late August - Meet with AHS counselors to adjust high school schedule and check graduation credits



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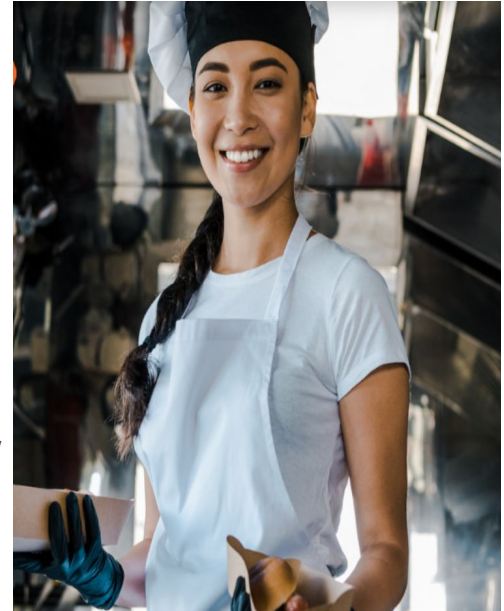
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Who we are

Hennepin Technical College prepares
students for
in-demand and high-paying
employment opportunities.

- **Largest technical college** in Minnesota
 - Faculty have industry experience and provide career-focused, learning
 - High job placement rates – great reputation with employers
 - Over 40 different programs that welcome PSEO enrollment
 - General Education classes offered as well
 - Our 2-year Associate Degrees fully prepare you for a successful long-term career, or you may continue with your education for a Bachelor Degree
(excludes some programs)



*Open the
Door to
Your Future*

Who we are

- **Convenient** - Campuses in **Brooklyn Park and Eden Prairie**, and many online options (asynchronous and synchronous).
- **MN State Colleges and Universities system** (formerly known as MNSCU)
 - 33 networked institutions – 7 universities + 26 colleges (community + technical colleges)
 - Pathways to 4-year universities within and outside the system
 - Affordable tuition (approx. **\$6,000/year**), plus financial aid and scholarships



Minnesota State colleges and universities

33 Colleges & Universities in one network

7 Universities:

Metro State
St. Cloud State
Bemidji State
Mankato State
Moorhead State
Winona State
Southwest MN State (Marshall, MN)

Technical Colleges:

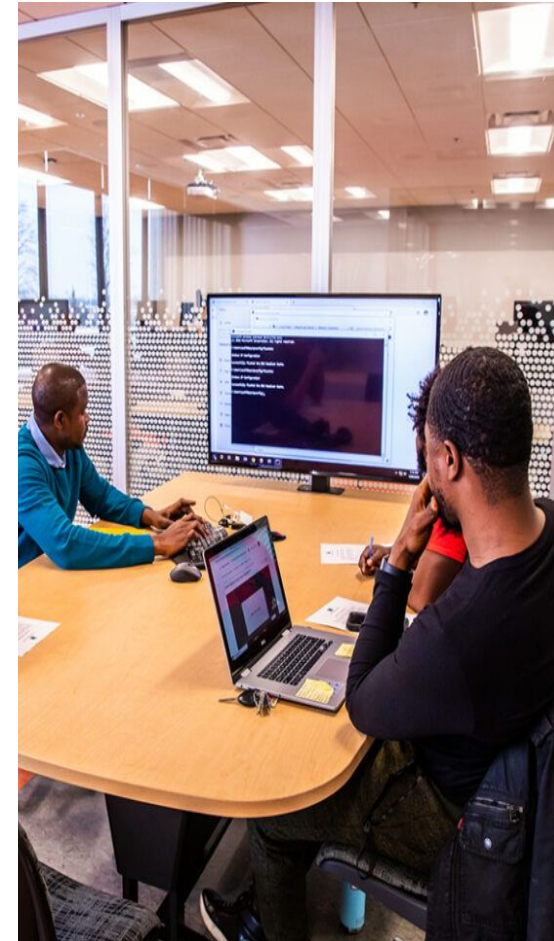
Anoka Technical College
Dakota County Technical College
...and many more

Community Colleges:

North Hennepin Community College
Normandale Community College
Anoka Ramsey Community College
...and many more

Community + Technical Colleges:

Minneapolis College
St. Paul College
Century College
...and many more



See them all at
minnstate.edu/campusesprograms

PSEO

(Post-Secondary Enrollment
Option) at

Hennepin Technical College

Take college credits while in high school at no tuition cost to you.

Earn high school + college credits simultaneously.

- Save time and money earning your degree.
- Courses and required text books are free. (Some additional course fees may be required for certain Technical classes.)
- Credits may transfer to other Minnesota State Colleges.
- Some students are **able to graduate high school with an Associate Degree, Diploma or Certificate too.**



*Open the Door
to Your Future*

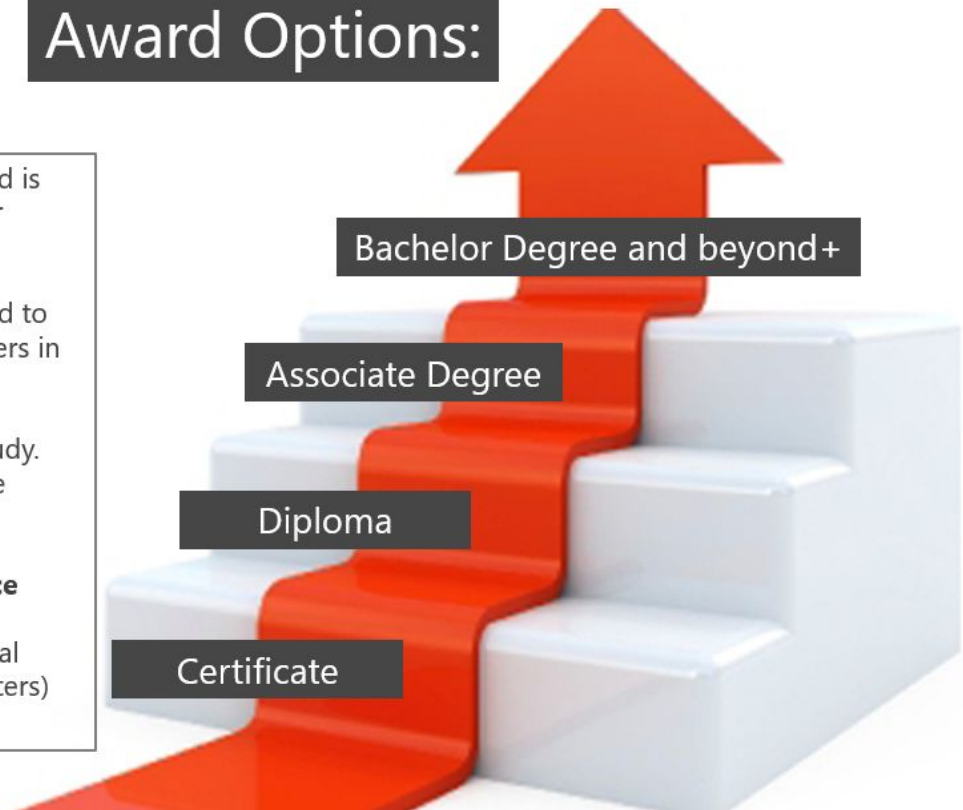
College Definitions

Let's clear some stuff up...

Award – the degree, diploma or certificate you're working toward is referred to as an award. This is what you'll be able to put on your resume. We offer three main types:

- **Certificate** – A short program of only technical classes related to your area of study. Often these are the first + second semesters in the Diploma and Degree.
- **Diploma** – All the technical classes related to your area of study. These usually take 2 years (4-6 semesters) to complete. These classes will all be in the corresponding Degree.
- **Associate of Science Degree / Associate of Applied Science Degree** – This is an expanded version of the corresponding Diploma, which contains a handful of (usually about 5) General Education classes. These also usually take 2 years (5-6 semesters) to complete.

Award Options:



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Why PSEO at Hennepin Tech?

- Get a jump on General Education classes that you'll need for a Degree you plan to pursue.
- **Get a jump on Technical classes in a Hennepin Tech program you plan to pursue, such as Automotive, Welding, I.T. or Business.**
- Explore a possible college pathway to help decide whether it's the right career for you.



Accounting, Business & Information Technology

Accounting
Business
Information Technology and
Cyber Defense
Individualized Studies

Building & Landscape

Architectural Technology
Cabinetmaking and Wood
Product Design
Carpentry
Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning
Landscape, Horticulture, Greenhouse
and Urban Forestry
Plumbing Pre-Apprenticeship
Public Works

Emergency & Public Service

Emergency Medical Services
Fire Protection
Peace Officer

Entertainment

Music Business and Entrepreneurship

General Education

General Education Departments

Health

Dental Assistant
Health Science (Broad Field)
Health Unit Coordinator and Nursing
Station
Medical Assistant
Medical Office
Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide
Practical Nursing

Manufacturing & Engineering Technology

Automation Robotics Engineering
Technology
Electronics Technology
Engineering CAD Technology
Fluid Power Engineering and
Motion Control
Industrial Building Engineering
and Maintenance
Machine Tool Technology and
Quality Assurance
Manufacturing Engineering Technology
Plastics Engineering Technology
Welding and Metal Fabrication

Media Communications

Audio Production
Graphic Design and Web Design
Interactive Design and Video Production

Service & Education

Child Development
Culinary Arts

Transportation

Auto Body Collision Technology
Automotive Technology
Ford ASSET
Marine, Motorsport and Outdoor Power
Equipment Technology
Medium and Heavy Truck Technology

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Who is eligible?

- **Sophomores** - Sufficient score on 8th grade MCA Reading test. Sophomores are limited to 1 CTE course per semester.
- **Juniors** - GPA rank in the top third of their class. *
- **Seniors** - GPA rank in the top half of their class. *
 - *OR... a letter of recommendation from your high school counselor, principal or instructor.

Contact your High School Counselor to find out where you rank.



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You will have the same expectations as any other
college student.

Your classes are college-level and rigorous! You will have a college transcript with Hennepin Technical College. A poor grade will affect you as you move forward.

Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy:

- To be in **Good Standing** you must maintain:
 - Overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 and
 - Overall Completion Rate of at least 66.67%.



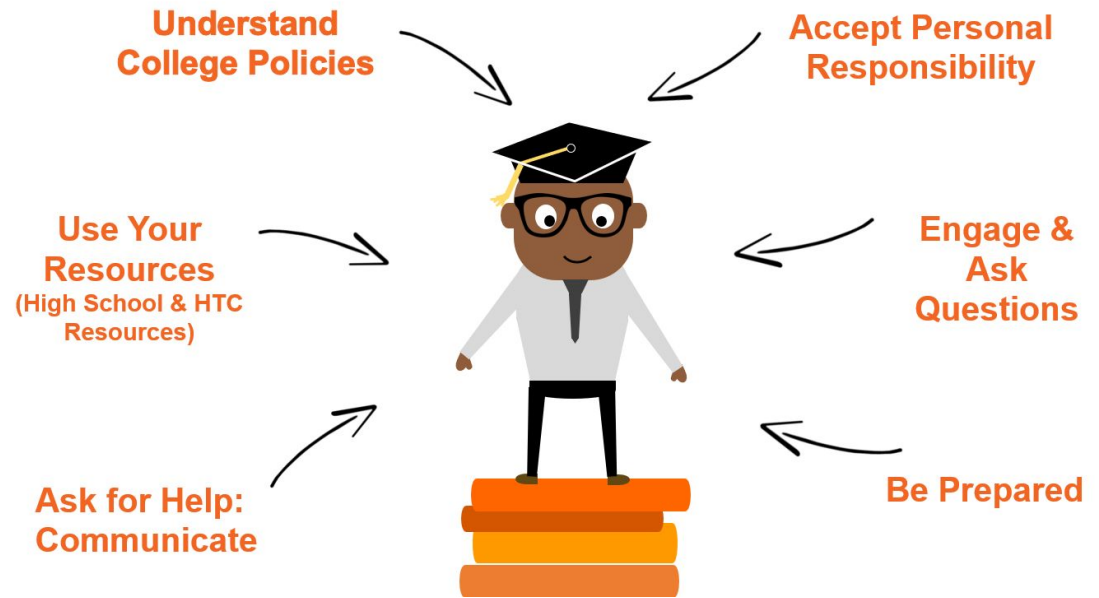
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You will also have the same **RESOURCES** as any college student.

As a PSEO student at Hennepin Tech, you *are* a Hennepin Tech Student.

Help is available! But it's up to you to be pro-active and seek out help if needed to ensure your success.



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Application Process:

1. Learn more about PSEO on the **Minnesota Department of Education (MDE)** website.
2. Meet with your **High School Counselor** to see if PSEO is the right fit for you and determine whether you meet the eligibility requirements.
3. **Apply to HTC** online as a PSEO student. Use your existing Star ID if you have one already.
4. Complete necessary **forms found on HTC's PSEO webpage**. Ask your high school counselor for your due dates.
5. Submit your Official High School **Transcript and MCA scores** (also ACT/SAT scores if you've taken them) to our PSEO Coordinator, Becky Koltes – find instructions and contact info on the Hennepin Tech PSEO page. Depending on your scores, you may also need to take **Accuplacer test(s)** at the Hennepin Tech campus.
6. Complete **Orientation** online. Note all the resources available to you as a Hennepin Tech student to help you succeed!
7. **Register** for classes.



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at Hennepin Technical
College



Reach out to us!

If you have any questions about the application process PSEO or Hennepin Technical College please don't hesitate to email us.

We are happy to help!



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Post-Secondary Enrollment Options

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Is PSEO right for me?

- PSEO students are solely responsible for their academic experience
- Are you proactive/responsible?
 - Independent learning style
 - Good time management skills
 - Willingness to seek help when needed – communicate with staff/faculty in various ways
- Do you have a record of academic success?
 - Taken other rigorous and fast paced courses (AP, IB, CIS, honors)
 - Academically independent (no reminders)
- Commitment to academic priorities
 - Extracurriculars
 - Work
 - Classroom commitments don't end when you leave class

PSEO Eligibility

- **2.75 GPA**
- For students that do not have a 2.75 GPA
 - 11th grade – Top third (66%) graduating class/nationally standardized test
 - 12th grade – Top half (50%) graduating class/nationally standardized test

PSEO Deadline

- **Fall Semester**

- Priority: April 15
- Final: July 1
- *Registration opens April*

- **Spring Semester**

- Priority: November 1
- Final: December 1
- *Registration opens November*

- Application, 3-part form, and transcripts must be submitted before deadline
 - As well as test scores/Accuplacer testing if applicable
 - ***APPLY EARLY!***

PSEO Admission Steps

- Student submits online application, then completes Part 1 of NOSR
- Counselor completes Part 2 of NOSR
- Counselor emails the following to pseo@nhcc.edu
 - Notice of Student Registration Form
 - Transcript
 - ACT/SAT scores if applicable

PSEO Acceptance

- Accuplacer testing not required (unless student wants math, chemistry, physics)
- The 2.75 GPA places students into college level reading/writing
- Once all required documents are submitted, students will receive acceptance email within 2 weeks with next steps (***READ CAREFULLY!***)
 - Students must complete online orientation and complete a registration session with their advisor, before being able to register for classes
 - Students should meet with their HS counselor prior to their registration session to go over course selection

PSEO Courses

- Students can take college level courses that don't have additional supplemental course fees
- Courses are considered college level if they are at the 1000 level. Developmental courses will not be covered by PSEO.
- Restricted courses include certain art, exercise science, geology, music, natural science, and theater courses
- Students need to make sure they are meeting their high school graduation requirements
- Meet with HS counselor and create a list of classes that meet requirements prior to NHCC orientation
- PSEO students cannot retake courses they have passed with an A-D grade

Required Course: NHCC Experience

- Required online, 8-week, non-credit course
- Begins Fall 2022
- Will give students the tools they need to succeed
- Outcomes:
 - Goal Setting
 - Self-awareness
 - Connection to Campus
 - Learning Strategies
- Completed course = register 1 week early next term

High School vs College

HIGH SCHOOL

- Structured time
- Reminded of responsibilities
- Study between 0-2 hour/week
- Teachers available before/during/after class
- Teachers provide info you missed during absence
- Parents informed of academic standing
- Time in class for homework
- Can multitask with homework

COLLEGE

- Manage your own time
- Balance responsibilities on own
- Study between 2-3 hours/week/class
- Instructors available during office hours
- Instructors expect you to get notes/assignments from classmates or check with instructor
- Parents cannot be informed of academic standing
- Homework is done mostly outside of class
- Need dedicated, uninterrupted time to focus on homework

Things PSEO should know

- Get involved
 - PSEO students can get involved in any NHCC activity, club, sport, music group, and event a theater production!
- High school breaks don't align with NHCC's breaks. When either school has class, you must attend.
 - NHCC's classes are also at different times than the high schools.
- Grades are permanent
 - NHCC has a great tutoring center
- No one knows you're a PSEO student, ask for help from your professors and Academic Advisor. They won't reach out to you first.
- Parents can't call and check on grades, attendance, etc. (unless a FERPA form is filled out). Students are responsible for themselves.
- NHCC's classes transfer!
- We have small classes just like your high school

Thank You

Questions? Comments?

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What is PSEO?

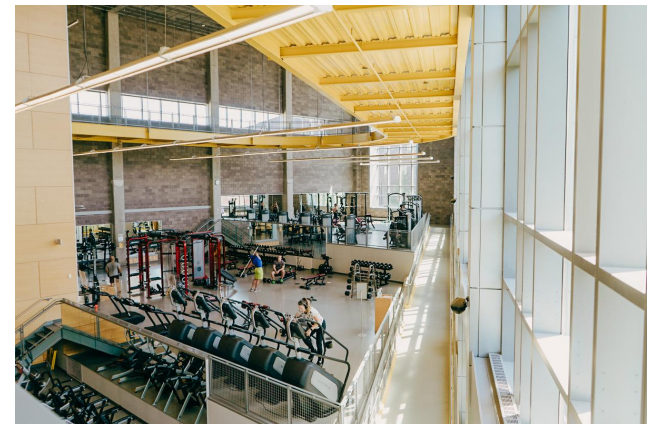
- State-wide
- Dual credit university courses
- Mostly on-campus with limited online
- U of M PSEO Eligibility
 - 11th & 12th grade
 - 3.60 minimum GPA
 - See z.umn.edu/pseoapply for full eligibility

Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO)



Financial Coverage

- ✓ Tuition
- ✓ Required books & materials
- ✓ Course fees
- ✓ Free tutoring services
- ✓ Some counseling services
- ✓ Academic coaching
- Parking and transportation
- School supplies
- Rec center/gym
- Certain course materials
(e.g. guitar, calculator)
- Meals



Class Selection

- PT/FT
- [ScheduleBuilder.umn.edu](https://schedulebuilder.umn.edu)
- 1xxx-2xxx level classes
- Prerequisites and recommended classes
- Placement and AP
 - U of M doesn't use Accuplacer



Class Selection

- Choose based on YOUR goals!
- Find classes that fulfill multiple goals when possible:
 - High school graduation requirements
 - General college requirements
 - Potential majors & careers
 - Personal interest
- Advisor support at UMN and at high school

Parking & Transportation

<https://pts.umn.edu/>

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- Universal Transit Pass: \$45/semester
- Common parking options*:
 - Contract:
 - Monthly: \$79 - \$145
 - By semester: \$316 - \$580
 - Daily: \$6 - \$15
 - Hourly: \$3
- Free shuttles to help get around campus!



*Prices for current year. Subject to change.

Admissions & New Student Timeline

z.umn.edu/pseoapply

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- Application goes live: **February 15**
- Deadline to “Create Your Application”: **April 15**
- Deadline for late materials: **May 1**
- Everyone notified by email: **May 22**
- Self-paced online orientation: **June - July**
- Registration opens: **July 24**



Application Basics

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- Instructions: **z.umn.edu/pseoapply**
- Applicant is solely responsible for on-time application
- ~2000 applications for ~750 seats (~38% admit rate)
- Apply to other PSEO programs!
 - Competitive application, so give yourself back-up options
 - Since we can't guarantee course space, give yourself extra options to get the courses you need/want

Required Materials

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1. “Create Your Application” (online)
2. Post-Secondary Notice of Student Registration
3. High school transcript (**unofficial is okay!**)
4. College transcripts for courses taken outside the U of M, if you took prior PSEO (**unofficial is okay!**)



Optional Materials

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- Additional statement
- ...that's it! Other supplementary materials like **test scores** or **recommendation letters** not accepted.



Core Review Criteria

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- Minimum GPA: 3.60 (unweighted)
 - Automatically deny below this GPA
 - Exceptions: School of Music applicants, international schools, or schools that don't use GPA
- 88% of admits with 3.85-4.00
- Rigor of coursework compared to their high school peers
- ***If applicable:*** Grades from any prior college coursework



A photograph of a campus walkway with several orange banners hanging from black poles. The banners feature the University of Minnesota logo and the text 'UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA Driven to Discover'. The background shows green trees and a paved path.

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For more info:
ccaps.umn.edu/pseo

Apply at:
z.umn.edu/pseoapply
z.umn.edu/aispseo

Questions:
pseo@umn.edu

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What is better AP or PSEO?
- What classes should I take at college?
- Will my credits transfer?
- Can I still participate in extracurricular activities?
- Transportation?
- Parking?
- Advisory information?
- Summer options?

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OTHER QUESTIONS?

