



ASHLAND
UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS



“Taking CCP classes at AU has been an absolute blessing! The courses are both challenging and engaging, and the professors are always willing to help you if you reach out. The classes I took on campus gave me insight into what college will be like, and I’m so glad I was able to experience it on a smaller scale before I graduate high school.”

– Hannah, Ashland High School

“Having the opportunity to be a part of Ashland University’s CCP program has benefited my academic life in many ways. Not only do I get to save time and money by earning college credits early, I’m also provided a better sense of direction of what I should do as a career in the future. I am currently attending courses on the Ashland campus this year and the environment is very welcoming and positive: the professors and staff are very helpful and understanding. Taking CCP courses has given me a head start in my academic journey and college career.”

– Hannah, Ashland High School



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The College Credit Plus program allows students to earn college and high school credits at the same time by taking courses from Ohio colleges or universities. CCP enhances students' college readiness and postsecondary success, while providing a variety of course options to the college-ready student.

BY PARTICIPATING IN THE CCP PROGRAM, STUDENTS CAN:

- Elect to take courses on the AU main campus, online, or at select partnering high schools.
- Explore career paths and help them decide on a major. Taking diverse classes can help uncover interests.
- Work toward multiple majors or minors while finishing college in the usual time frame.
- Seek courses not offered at their high school to meet graduation requirements.
- Enroll in AU courses and attend events to learn more about Ashland University.
- Access campus resources, such as AU's library, tutoring services, computer labs, the Writing and Communication Center, the rec center, and participate in campus clubs and events.
- Take a class to explore expectations and boost their confidence if they are uncertain if their plans after high school include college.

WE OFFER A \$4,000 SCHOLARSHIP TO ALL AU CCP STUDENTS!

- All high school students (in the Class of 2024 and beyond) who are enrolled in the College Credit Plus program at AU and matriculate directly from high school into a bachelor's program will receive a yearly \$1,000 scholarship (\$500 to be awarded in the fall semester and \$500 in the spring semester). This scholarship is renewable yearly (for up to four years, or \$4,000), and is stackable upon other scholarships/aid.
- An additional scholarship of up to \$1,000 is available for students completing the CCP Business Academy pathway. (See additional information later in this brochure.)

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

ELIGIBILITY

- Students must meet the state’s program eligibility requirements, as well as the admission requirements of the college.
- For rules and FAQs regarding Ohio’s CCP program, visit <https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Ohio-Education-Options/College-Credit-Plus>.
- Home and private school students must apply for funding through ODEW. Visit <https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Ohio-Education-Options/Private-Schools/College-Credit-Plus-for-Nonpublic-School-Families> for complete information. The deadline to apply to AU each year is March 1st (firm).

Pathway 1: Traditional Admission	Pathway 2: Test-Optional Admission
2.50+ Unweighted Cumulative HS GPA, plus, one of the following test scores:	3.00+ Unweighted Cumulative HS GPA
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ACT Composite: 18 or higher,• SAT: 970 or higher,OR• ONE of the following Accuplacer Scores: Reading 250+ Writing 263+, or QAS Math 263+ (not “AAF”)	<p>Alternative: GPA between 2.85 - 2.99 with grades of A or B only in relevant coursework (math, English, science, AND social studies).</p> <p>See ashland.edu/ccp for detailed information.</p>

Please be aware that the subject matter of some courses may include mature topics or materials of a graphic, explicit, violent or sexual nature. Courses will not be modified for CCP students regardless of where course instruction occurs. Parents should contact collegecreditplus@ashland.edu if they would like to request a course materials review.

*Admission does not guarantee placement in any course.
Students must meet all course placement and prerequisite requirements for registration.*

PARTICIPATION STEPS

1. Submit Letter of Intent to High School

2. Apply to Ashland University at ashland.edu/apply

Be sure to use a **PERSONAL** email address, not a high school or parent address when creating your application. **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Fall Deadline - June 15

Spring Deadline - October 15

Summer Deadline - March 1

Nonpublic students - March 1

Most students choose to participate in the fall semester to align with their high school schedules. Even though the deadline for fall semester is June 15th, we encourage you to apply by April 1st. Registration for classes begins on April 15th. Class sizes are small, so seating is limited.

3. Submit Permission Slip - Students must upload their completed permission slip to their application, no later than June 30th for a fall start, and October 31st for a spring start.

4. Send Official Transcripts - It is the student's responsibility to request that their transcript be sent to AU. They must be received no later than June 30th for a fall start, and October 31st for a spring start.

ACCUPLACER TESTING

It is not necessary for all students to take the Accuplacer to participate in CCP at AU.

You only need to take the Accuplacer if –

- ✓ Your HS GPA is between 2.50 and 2.99, and you do not have qualifying ACT or SAT scores.
- ✓ You wish to take a course with special placement score requirements (such as math) and do not have ACT or SAT scores.
- ✓ You are not in 10th grade or older. Transcripts must reflect final grades for the student's 9th grade year. (If you are in 9th grade or younger, please visit the ashland.edu/testing-center and schedule a time to take the Reading section for program admission, other sections are required for course placements.)
- ✓ AU accepts Accuplacer scores from other colleges, but we only use the Reading, Writing and QAS (math) sections. AU does not accept the WritePlacer or AAF sections.
- ✓ The deadline to test for program admission or course placement is June 30th for fall semester and October 31 for spring semester.
- ✓ Students may sign up for a testing session by visiting ashland.edu/testing-center.

COURSE SELECTION

Ashland University offers CCP courses that students can take on campus, online, or at select high schools. Your course choices will depend on whether you're exploring majors, meeting high school graduation requirements, or planning a degree at Ashland University.

LEVEL ONE COURSES

Ohio state law requires new students to choose from the college's Level One Course List until they complete 15 credit hours (about five classes). These Level One Courses are designed to support academic and career growth, prepare you for transfer credits, build specialized knowledge, or provide practical experience. You can find AU's Level One Courses at ashland.edu/ccp-level-one.



ONLINE OPTIONS

Many of our CCP students live a distance from Ashland University or may not yet have their driver's licenses, making online courses a highly convenient option. Nearly all AU online sections are asynchronous, meaning you won't have live, scheduled class sessions where you must be present at a specific time. There are no live lectures or real-time class discussions. You manage your own pace for completing readings, watching lectures, and finishing assignments.

AU offers registration priority for CCP students for courses on the following page to help you avoid getting closed out of popular courses!



CCP ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS

Course #	Title	Term Offered	Credit Hrs.	Type
ACCT 201	Financial Accounting	Fall Semester	3	Level One
ART 150	Art and Ideas	Fall Semester	3	Level One
BUS 151	Occupational Life Calling	Fall Semester	3	Level One
ECON 232	Principles of Microeconomics	Fall Semester	3	Level One
EDUC 102	Study Skills for the University Student	Fall Semester	3	Level One
ENG 101*	English Composition I	Fall Semester	3	Level One
GEOL 210	Natural Disasters: Severe Weather	Fall Semester	3	Level One
HIST 212	American History before the Civil War	Fall Semester	3	Level One
MATH 108*	Introductory Statistics	Fall Semester	3	Level One
MGT 240	Introduction to Management	Fall Semester	3	Level One
MIS 221	Information Technology	Fall Semester	3	Level One
PHIL 110	Philosophy of Human Nature	Fall Semester	3	Level Two
PSYC 101	General Psychology I	Fall Semester	3	Level One
COM 101	Human Communications	Fall Semester**	3	Level One
ACCT 202*	Managerial Accounting	Spring Semester	3	Level One
BIO 100	Human Biology	Spring Semester	4	Level One
ECON 233	Principles of Macroeconomics	Spring Semester	3	Level One
ENG 102*	English Composition II	Spring Semester	3	Level One
FIN 228*	Financial Management	Spring Semester	3	Level Two
HIST 213	American History after the Civil War	Spring Semester	3	Level One
MKT 233	Principles of Marketing	Spring Semester	3	Level One
MUSIC 253	Listening to Jazz	Spring Semester	3	Level One
PHIL 215	Ethics	Spring Semester	3	Level One
REL 107	Exploring World Religions	Spring Semester	3	Level One
SMG 161	Intro to Sport, Recreation, & Leisure	Spring Semester	3	Level One
SOC 111	Principles of Sociology	Spring Semester	3	Level One

**This course has placement or prerequisite requirements. Please check the course catalog and/or orientation materials for the requirements of each course. ** Sometimes also offered during the spring semester, depending on demand.*

POTENTIAL PATHWAYS

Ohio's CCP laws require high schools and colleges to establish 15- and 30-hour pathways for students. Their purpose is to guide students in their dual enrollment and academic planning. It is important to note that you are not required to complete a pathway during your participation in the CCP program. You may take as few or as many courses as you like, provided you stay within the yearly 30-credit hour limit (and 120 credit hours overall) during your course of participation in the program.

The pathways on the following page are JUST A FEW of the popular degree options available at AU. Each student's educational journey is unique, allowing for personalized pathways that fit within your daily schedule and program requirements. Your CCP advisor is here to help you create a customized pathway tailored to your goals.

- **15-HOUR PATHWAY:** Designed for students who want to take a modest amount of college coursework alongside their high school classes.
- **30-HOUR PATHWAY:** Intended for students who wish to pursue a more substantial amount of college coursework, often aiming to complete an entire academic year of college credits. To build a 30-hour pathway, start with the 15-hour pathway and add a 30-hour pathway in your area of interest.
- **ASSOCIATE DEGREE PATHWAYS** are also an option if you do not plan to pursue a bachelor's degree. Please contact your CCP advisor for more information.



POTENTIAL PATHWAYS

GETTING STARTED: 15-HOUR PATHWAY

- ENG 101 - English Composition I
- COM 101 - Human Communication
- Choose a core Social Science course
- Choose a core Aesthetics (art, music, or theater) course
- Choose a core Historical Reasoning (History) course

To create a 30-hour pathway, simply add the Getting Started Pathway to your area of interest below.

Ashland University offers over 60 majors and programs. Ask a CCP Advisor if you're considering a program that isn't listed here or explore our degree programs at ashland.edu/academic-programs.

GEN ED ("CORE") OR UNDECIDED

- ENG 102 - English Composition II
- REL 107- Exploring World Religions (approved for CCP; satisfies AU's core religion requirement)
- Choose a core Aesthetics course (art, music, or theater)
- Choose a core Social Science course
- Choose a Critical Cultural Inquiry course (such as Spanish or French)

INTERVENTION SPECIALIST K-12

- ENG 102 - English Composition II
- EDFN 130 - Introduction to Teaching
- EDIS 250 - Intro to Educational Intervention
- Choose a core Social Science course
- Choose a Natural Science core course, such as GEOL 210 - Natural Disasters: Severe Weather

EXERCISE SCIENCE:

- ENG 102 - English Composition II
- MATH 108 - Introductory Statistics
- EXS 190 - Anatomy & Physiology I
- PSYC 101 - General Psychology I
- PHIL 215 - Ethics

JOURNALISM & DIGITAL MEDIA:

- ENG 102 - English Composition II
- MATH 108 - Introductory Statistics
- JDM 103 Intro to Journalism & Mass Communication
- JDM 133 - Video Aesthetics I
- JDM 203 - Writing for the Media

NURSING ACADEMY

The College of Nursing and Health Sciences offers a specialized pathway to complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree in just three years after high school graduation. Check it out at ashland.edu/ccp-nursing.

BUSINESS (30 HRS):

The College of Business and Economics offers a specialized pathway, allowing you to complete core business courses now and focus on your specialization right after high school. Students who finish this pathway qualify for an additional scholarship of up to \$1,000! Check it out at ashland.edu/ccp-business.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

CAN I PARTICIPATE?

Students must be Ohio residents to participate. Authorized students in grades 7-12 who are enrolled in Ohio public schools, nonpublic high schools, or homeschooled may choose to participate in the CCP program at Ashland University. Unauthorized students include, but are not limited to, foreign students who are not part of an exchange program, out-of-state students and students coded as unauthorized through EMIS. Students must meet the state's eligibility requirements and the admission requirements of each college they apply to.

WHAT COURSES CAN I TAKE?

Until students complete 15 credit hours in coursework, they must choose from a list of Level One courses. Each college will have its own Level One list. See ashland.edu/ccp-level-one for AU's complete list of courses.

WHERE CAN I TAKE CLASSES?

Courses are available at the AU main campus, online, and "in-house" at partnering high schools.

AM I LIMITED TO THE CCP COURSES OFFERED AT MY HIGH SCHOOL?

No. If your high school does not offer CCP courses that interest you, you are not restricted to those courses. You may take courses from any combination of locations (at your high school, AU main campus or online) as long as they fit into your schedule, and you do not exceed the 30-hour per year limit.

*Talk to your High School about how the 30-hour formula is calculated.

ARE CCP CLASSES TRANSFERABLE?

It is important to understand that each institution has its own policies regarding credit transfer, and it is not possible for colleges to make a blanket statement on transferability until it is known which college you will be attending and what your major will be. Students are responsible for reviewing the transfer credit policies of the school they wish to attend before they enroll in a course. Nearly all the time, credits will transfer (sometimes as electives); however, a more important consideration is whether these credits will satisfy specific requirements for a particular program, depending on the major.

IS IT REALLY FREE? WHAT ABOUT TEXTBOOKS?

YES! There are no tuition charges for AU courses when they are part of the CCP program. AU waives all course and lab fees. The student/family is responsible for transportation if they choose to take a course on AU's main campus.

Public and private school students' textbooks are paid for by their school district. Most students who take courses on the main campus will get their books from the AU Campus Store; however, please check with your guidance counselor about your school's individual textbook policy. Home school students must purchase their own textbooks.

“CCP has helped me grow my education outside of the high school classroom. I come from a smaller high school, and with that comes limited class selections. I’ve been able to begin completing credits toward my desired major as a junior/senior in high school.”

– Luke, Mapleton High School



“My advice to anyone thinking about doing CCP is to just do it. It sounds scary, and you can start small but just do it and try your best. Some classes may be more challenging than others, but the professors are there to help you succeed. The professors and fellow faculty are helpful and friendly when someone needs advice or help on an assignment. Overall CCP can be scary at first, but it’s something I’ve enjoyed and would do again.”

– Leah, Clear Fork High School



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