



Elgin
Community
College

U-46 & ECC Proposal for Accelerate College

Presentation to the Board of Education

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Accelerate Dual Credit

- **Full-time Dual Credit program on ECC's campus**
 - Students are enrolled in 4-5 general education courses the fall and spring semesters of their senior year in high school.
 - Students can earn a total of 30 transferable credits.
 - Students are fully integrated into the college atmosphere and provided with the guidance and support to successfully complete their first year of post-secondary education.
 - Courses are offered in a variety of disciplines and are aligned to an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree.
 - Students take classes in a cohort model in small groups and are a part of integrated dual credit and high school graduation classes.

Advantages of Dual Credit

- Dual-credit courses are ideal for students who are looking for new kinds of intellectual stimulation, and who are eager to challenge themselves academically.
- Dual-credit courses will enable the student to start college knowing what to expect in terms of academics.
- Students who participate in dual-credit programs learn about the administrative processes of taking college courses.
- Dual-credit programs give students exposure to campus resources and university faculty.
- Dual credit partnerships offer lower costs to families.
- Dual credit partnerships offer high school staff access to college faculty.
- 82% of public high schools offer dual credit opportunities.

•From: National Center on Educational Statistics


Program Qualifications

Students must:

- Be a current junior in high school at the time of application.
- Have a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 3.0 (unweighted).
- Score college–ready based on ECC placement tests or ECC determined cut scores on ACT or SAT in reading, writing, and mathematics.
- Have a good attendance record.

Dual Credit Options

Accelerate College – Transfer Pathways (AA and AS)

 Dual Credit Accelerate College Program - Associate in Arts Option

Course Options	Fall Semester	Credit Hours	Spring Semester	Credit Hours	AA Degree Requirements (see ECC.edu/catalog for complete details)
Communications	ENG 101 - English Composition I (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	ENG 102 - English Composition II (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	9 semester hours - 6 semester credits in writing & 3 semester credits in oral communication
	ENG 102 - English Composition II (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	CMS 101 - Fundamentals of Speech (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	
	LIT 201 - Introduction to Literature (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	LIT 201 - Introduction to Literature (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	
Mathematics	MTH 102 - General Ed Statistics (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	MTH 120 - Statistics I (4)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	3 semester hours
	MTH 104 - Liberal Ed Math (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	MTH 126 - Calculus for Business/Social Science (4)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	
	MTH 112 - College Algebra (4)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	MTH 125 - Finite Math (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	
	MTH 120 - Statistics I (4)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____		<input type="checkbox"/> ____	
Social (s) & Behavioral (b) Sciences	POS 150 (s) - American Government - Nat'l (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	ECN 201 (s) - Principles of Microeconomics (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	9 semester hours - three courses with at least one from social sciences and one selected from behavioral sciences
	PSY 100 (b) - Introduction to Psychology (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	SOC 100 (b) - Introduction to Sociology (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	
Physical (p) and Life (l) Sciences	BIO 108L (l) - Biology for Contemporary Society (4)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	GLY 112L (p) - Physical Geology (4)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	7 credits - two courses with one selected from life sciences and one selected from physical sciences, one of these must include a lab
	GEO 115 (p) - Physical Geography (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	BIO 108L (l) - Biology for Contemporary Society (4)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	
Humanities & Fine Arts (fa)	HUM 101 - Introduction to Western Humanities (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	HUM 216 - Ethics (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	9 semester hours - three courses with at least one from humanities and one from fine arts
	MUS 105 (fa) - Music Appreciation (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	ART 115 (fa) - Art Appreciation (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	
	MUS 104 (fa) - Musics of the World (3)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____			
Phys Ed <i>REQUIRED</i>	PHC 109 - Physical Fitness (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	PHC 109 - Physical Fitness (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	High School Requirement
Other	COL 101 - Student Success (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	GSD 120 - Exploring Careers & College Majors (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> ____	*Courses requirements listed above do not complete an AA Degree - an additional 23 credits in major field and elective coursework is required.
TOTAL HOURS	(12-16 per semester) TOTAL:		(12-16 per semester) TOTAL:		

• General Education Courses

- English
- Math
- Science
- Social Science
- Behavioral Science
- Fine Arts
- Humanities

• COL 101 – Student Success

- 1 credit hour
- This course will guide new students in learning effective strategies and identifying resources that will help them be successful in college

Data on Current Cohort of Accelerate College Students

Cumulative GPA for AY 2016-17 cohort	# of Students retained for spring 2017	# of credits earned by cohort	Money saved in college tuition @ ECC rate for students in fall 2016	
3.26	37/38	518 credits	518 credits X \$125.00 <hr/> \$64,750.00	
Most Popular Courses		Degree Options	Demographics	
English Composition Biology Calculus I or II Psychology College 101-Student Success		Associate in Arts – 16 Associate in Science – 21 CTE Pathway - 1	29 Caucasian 4 Asian 3 Hispanic 2 Non-identifying	Female -25 Male - 13

Application Requirements – Accelerate College

- **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Students are required to have an unweighted 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale and meet all course prerequisites.
- Students must meet English, reading, and mathematics minimum competencies.
 - ACT/SAT/ECC Placement Tests
- Students need a High School recommendation.

- **HOW DO STUDENTS ENROLL?**

- Application and enrollment information is available in the guidance office at each high school.
- High School Counselors will submit application along with transcript and test scores (if available).
- Course selection worksheet will be completed and reviewed by high school counselor.
- ECC will coordinate scheduling an appointment with Academic Advisor.
- The school district and high school approve enrollment of their students.

Next Steps for U-46

Pending BOE approval:

- The Lead Counselor will meet with the counselors from each high school and have them identify students who meet the ECC Admission Requirements, and who the counselors believe would benefit from this opportunity.
- Each high school will aim to identify 10-15 students per school.
- The Lead Counselor, ECC personnel, and the high school counselors will meet with these students and their families to explain this opportunity.
- Students/parents complete ECC application if interested and begin ECC Admission requirements.
- Students who need a placement test will have that process facilitated by the Lead Counselor.
- Students/Parents sign a waiver understanding transportation, calendar, transcripts, etc.

U-46 Cost Implications

- U-46 continues to earn General State Aid for each student in the ECC Accelerate College program.
- Students will enroll in 12-15 credit hours per semester. Each credit hour is \$125.00.
- 12 credit hours X \$125.00 = \$1500.00 to 15 credit hours X \$125.00 = \$1850.00 per student per semester.
- Assume 9 students per HS X 5 = 45 students who take advantage of this opportunity.
- 45 students X \$1500.00 per semester = \$67,500 to 45 students X \$1850.00 = \$83,250.00 per semester (not including books and fees).
- 45 students X ECC fees per semester = \$5,625.00.
- Students would assume cost for books and laboratory materials (FRL students can apply for help with costs.)

Total Cost per Student per semester

	12 Credit Hours	15 Credit Hours
Tuition	\$1500.00	\$1850.00
Fees	\$250.00 (estimate)	\$300.00 (estimate)
Books	\$400.00 (estimate – to be paid by student)	\$500.00 (estimate – to be paid by student)
Cost per Student paid by U-46 per semester	\$1750.00	\$2150.00

Next Steps from ECC

- **Admission Decision**

- Elgin Community College will send a “Welcome Letter” to indicate the student’s application has been processed.
- Upon confirming that testing and other requirements are met, each school’s guidance counselor will communicate the admission decision.

- **Dual Credit Orientation**

- After students have been accepted to their program, they will receive an official invitation to attend an orientation in May 2017. Parents are invited! Students will receive a reminder.

- **ECC Student Portal & Email**

- This will be the primary channel of communication. Schedules will be available through the student portal prior to the start of the semester. Set-up instructions will be provided at orientation.

- **Bookstore & Support Services**

- Information about textbooks and campus support services will be available during the student orientation.

Planning with ECC for the 18-19 SY

- Provide Dual Credit classes that allow U-46 students to take college credit bearing classes at their own high school.
- ECC staff come to high schools offering an opportunity for more students to access dual credit.
- U-46 teacher is the teacher of record for U-46 class.
- ECC staff is the actual teacher and person who provides the grade.

