

COLLEGE CREDIT COMPARISON CHART

	Advanced Placement® (AP)	Dual Credit (ACC)	Dual Enrollment (UT OnRamps)	Articulated Credit (ACC Tech Courses)
Description & Content	Students learn college level content and take a comprehensive exam to earn college credit. Content of the course is created by high school teachers who are required to align content with the AP framework for the course created by the College Board.	Students learn college level content and earn high school and college credit simultaneously. Content of the course is created by ACC instructors.	Students learn college level content and earn high school credit while potentially earning college credit. Content of the course is created by UT professors.	Students receive career and technical training in high school that can result in college credits earned once the student has completed a single college credit course at that institution (ACC).
Exams & Assignments	Performance on teacher created assignments and assessments determines high school grade, but performance on a single comprehensive College Board exam in May determines whether a student earns college credit.	Performance on college instructor created assignments and assessments determines a single grade that is recorded as both the high school and college grades.	Performance on teacher created assignments and assessments determines high school grade, and performance on college assessments determines college grade.	Performance on teacher created assignments and assessments determines the high school grade.
Grading	High school teachers create assignments and assign grades. The College Board scores the comprehensive AP exam in May, which does not impact a student's high school grade.	ACC instructor creates assignments and assigns grades.	High school teachers create high school assignments and assign all high school grades, and UT college professors create college assignments and assign all college grades.	High school teachers create assignments and assign grades.
College Credit	College credit may be granted if students earn a score of 3 or higher on the AP exam.	College credit is granted if students successfully complete the course.	College credit is granted if students successfully complete the UT assignments in the course and accept the college credit.	College credit is granted if students successfully complete the articulated course AND complete at least one course through ACC, whether through correspondence or via dual credit in high school.
Teacher / Instructor And Location	Taught on campus by a high school teacher trained by College Board instructors.	Taught on campus by an ACC instructor.	Taught on campus by a high school teacher trained by UT and in partnership with a UT instructor of record.	Taught on campus by a high school teacher trained by ACC.
College Credit Acceptance	Accepted throughout the nation. Usually requires a score of 3 or higher on the AP exam. College acceptance of scores varies.	Accepted at public colleges and universities in Texas and some private universities.	Guaranteed to be accepted at any public university in Texas. Accepted at most private universities and many out of state.	Accepted by ACC once one ACC course has been successfully completed by the student, and then credits are transferable to most public colleges and technical schools.
Transcripts	No college transcript is generated; The College Board creates a score report.	College transcript is automated and is based on a student's performance in the course.	College transcript is based on what earned credits the student chooses to accept. Students can opt out of reporting their grade on a college transcript.	No college transcript is generated until the student completes at least one ACC course successfully.
Eligibility	Open to any student.	Students must qualify by earning a satisfactory score on the TSI (Texas Success Initiative) exam and by completing ACC advising processes.	Open to any student. However, if a student is earning a D or F in their OnRamps course at the end of the Fall semester, they must submit qualifying TSI scores in order to stay in the course for the Spring semester. UT OnRamps will contact students and provide instructions on maintaining eligibility.	Open to any student.
Class Rank	Refer to GISD Student Handbook for GPA implications			Articulated courses are not automatically counted in rank. See individual course descriptions.