Students accepted into the Early College Program will receive a tuition scholarship; however, fees and other associated course expenses, including textbooks, must be paid by the student. To enroll in classes for the summer semester, students must have completed their freshman year of high school and meet all eligibility requirements listed below. Freshmen and sophomores may take classes ONLY during the summer semester. Juniors and seniors may take classes during the fall, spring and summer semesters. Seniors are only eligible to participate in the summer Early College Program if they intend to enroll fulltime at SIC for the fall semester.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

1. For ALL baccalaureate transfer classes and online CTE (vocational) courses, students must score at college level on the ASSET or COMPASS in both writing AND reading, or have a composite score of 20 on the ACT. All course prerequisites must be met. College level scores are:

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2. For any math and science course, in addition to scoring at college level in writing and reading, students must ALSO score at college level in elementary algebra o the ASSET or COMPASS, or have a score of 20 on the ACT math content exam. All course pre-requisites must be met.

3. Students must have a high school grade point average of 3.25 or above (on a 4.0 scale).

**EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM COSTS:**

Tuition will be waived. However, the following fees will apply:

1. Distance learning fees, which are $25 per class, must be paid by the student.
2. Other fees associated with classes, such as lab fees for science courses, must be paid by the student.
3. A $13 per credit hour* Early College Program service fee must be paid by the student.
4. Students must purchase their own textbooks and any other supplies required for class.

Example: Through the ECP, a 3 credit hour online course (i.e. PSYC 121) would cost a student $64 plus the cost of the textbook. A college freshman would pay over $300 plus textbook costs for the same course!

*Fees are subject to change

**HOW TO ENROLL:**

1. If you need to take the ASSET Test, SIC will notify you of a date that the test will be given at your high school, or set you up with a testing appointment on campus, if needed.
2. SIC representatives will return to your high school to register students for classes. SIC will notify you of the date and time.
3. Confirmation of your course registration and a bill for the fees owed will be sent to your home. For due dates, see list of important dates below.

**IMPORTANT FALL SEMESTER DATES:**

- Fall fees must be paid by July 30
- Final exams will be administered during the last regular class meeting
If you decide to drop a class, you must withdraw by August 28. There are no refunds after that date.

The last day to drop a class is November 20. Contact the Dual Credit Coordinator (ext. 2245) to be officially withdrawn from a class. If you do not officially withdraw yourself, your instructor will drop you with a “WA” grade for non-attendance/non-participation.

4. Books may be ordered online at www.sicbookstore.com. Or, you may come to the SIC Bookstore to purchase books prior to the beginning of the semester.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY AND COURSE WITHDRAWAL INFORMATION:**

- If for any reason it becomes necessary for students to withdraw from a class, they MUST contact the Dual Credit Coordinator (ext. 2245) to OFFICIALLY drop a class. Deadlines to drop classes are LISTED ABOVE. A “W” will appear on the permanent college transcript.

- If you do not attend class, or do not participate in the class, the instructor will drop you from the class with a WA grade, which will appear on the permanent college transcript. See the TALON (student handbook) or online college catalog for attendance and WA grade policies.

- RECEIVING W, WA OR OTHER LOW GRADES MAY IMPACT YOUR FINANCIAL AID IN THE FUTURE! ALL GRADES, INCLUDING W’S AND WA’S ARE PERMANENTLY RECORDED ON COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS THAT ARE USED BY EMPLOYERS AND COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES.

- Students must maintain at least a grade of “C” or better in each college class to continue participation in the Early College Program in subsequent semesters/years, except with an approved appeal. Appeals should be submitted to the Dual Credit Coordinator.

**NOTE:** It is ALWAYS up to the high school whether or not a college course will be used for high school credit.

**CONTACT ASHLEY SCHULTZ WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM AT ashley.schultz@sic.edu** or call 252-5400, ext. 2245. You may also contact Kyla Burford at kyla.burford@sic.edu or call 252-5400, ext. 2440. We will be happy to provide further information or answer any questions students and/or parents might have!