# **STUDENT GUIDE** FOR DUAL CREDIT & DUAL ENROLLMENT



# **DUAL CREDIT**

Dual Credit allows eligible high school students the opportunity to take college-level courses at their high school. Students receive credit from both MAC and the high school. Dual credit courses are taught by qualified high school instructors. Dual credit and dual enrollment courses will appear on a student's official MAC transcript which is a permanent record. Consult with your counselor and parent/guardian prior to enrolling.

#### **GETTING STARTED WITH DUAL CREDIT**

**1.** Complete the High School Admissions Application on MyMAC if you have not taken MAC classes before or if it has been one or more semesters since taking a MAC course. You will then receive a letter in the mail with directions on how to access your MyMAC and MAC email accounts.

**2.** Have the high school send your ACT or Accuplacer test scores to MAC. (Students planning to enroll in a MAC course that has a pre-requisite which the student took at another college, must have that official college transcript sent to MAC.)

**3.** Talk to your high school counselor about how to enroll in dual credit courses each semester. Eligible students will complete a Dual Credit Form which must have the student and parent/guardian signatures. The counselor will set a deadline to submit the forms which will be prior to Sept. 1 for the fall semester and prior to Feb. 1 for the spring semester.

#### **PARTICIPATING HIGH SCHOOLS**

Arcadia Valley High School Bismarck High School Central High School Farmington High School Fredericktown High School North County High School Perryville High School Potosi High School St. Paul Lutheran High School Valley High School West County High School

#### **DROPPING A DUAL CREDIT COURSE**

Students who want to drop a course must complete the Drop Form, located on MyMAC (under the Student tab). Check the Registration Guide at www.MineralArea.edu for the withdrawal deadline. Read the payment policy below prior to dropping a course.

#### **TUITION, BOOKS AND FEES**

Dual Credit Tuition: \$58 per credit hour Dual Credit Fees: \$10 fee per semester Dual Credit Textbooks & Materials: Check with your high school MAC is not responsible for purchasing required books and materials (Tuition and fees are subject to change.)

#### **PAYMENT POLICY & DEADLINES**

Once a dual credit student and the parent/guardian sign the Dual Credit Form and it is approved by the Dual Credit Office, the student (and parent/guardian) are financially responsible for tuition and any additional costs associated with the course(s) they selected. Students will be mailed a bill for each semester they enroll. Bills are mailed about 6-8 weeks into the semester. Students who have an outstanding balance cannot view/ request transcripts or enroll in additional courses until the balance is paid in full. Eventually, unpaid accounts are sent to a collection agency.

#### Methods of payment:

- Stop by or call the Business Office at 573-518-2287
- Log in to MyMAC and click on the My Account Info tab
- Mail a check or money order to: Business Office, Mineral Area College, P.O. Box 1000, Park Hills, MO 63601. Write the Student ID # on the check.

Fall Semester Dual Credit Payment Deadline: December 1 Spring Semester Dual Credit Payment Deadline: May 1

#### **DUAL CREDIT COURSES**

The following courses are offered for dual credit. Not all courses are available at every partner school. Check with your high school counselor for course availability.

ART 1500 - History of Art II BIO 1150 - General Biology BIO 2540 - Human Anatomy & Physiology ENG 1330 - English Comp I ENG 1340 - English Comp II ENG 1440 - Public Speaking ENG 1570 - Intro to Literature ENG 1670 - Interpersonal Communication HIS 1130 - Western Civilization I HIS 1140 - Western Civilization II HIS 1230 - American History I HIS 1240 - American History II MAT 1180 - Fundamentals of Algebra MAT 1240 - Quantitative Reasoning MAT 1260 - Elementary Statistics MAT 1270 - PreCalc: Algebraic Reasoning MAT 1370 - PreCalc: Trig & Geo. Reasoning MAT 1650 - Analytic Geometry & Calc I MFL 1370 - Elementary Spanish I MFL 1470 - Elementary Spanish II MFL 2230 - Intermediate Spanish I MFL 2250 - Intermediate Spanish II MSC 1801 - Appreciation of Music PED 2700 - Wellness Center I PED 2710 - Wellness Center II PHI 1400 - Intro to Philosophy PHI 1410 - Comparative Religion PHS 1250 - Introductory Chemistry POS 1180 - American Political Systems PSY 1130 - General Psychology PSY 1250 - Human Growth & Development SOC 1130 - General Sociology THE 1000 - Intro to Theatre

## **DUAL ENROLLMENT**

Dual enrollment allows eligible high school and home school students the opportunity to take college courses. Some high schools allow the college credit to also be used for high school credit. (Check with your high school to see if this is an option.) Dual enrollment courses are taught by MAC faculty either on the MAC campus, at a MAC outreach center or online. Dual credit and dual enrollment courses will appear on a student's official MAC transcript which is a permanent record. Consult with your counselor and parent/guardian prior to enrolling.

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**2.** Have the high school send your ACT or Accuplacer test scores to MAC. Home school students can take the Accuplacer at MAC or have ACT send the student's test scores to MAC. (Students planning to enroll in a MAC course that has a pre-requisite which the student took at another college, must have that official college transcript sent to MAC.)

**3.** Students can enroll in dual enrollment courses on MyMAC or by contacting MAC's Dual Credit Coordinator. Students must register for dual enrollment courses prior to the first day of MAC's semester.

#### **DROPPING A DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSE**

Students who want to drop a dual enrollment course must complete the Drop Form, located on MyMAC (under the Student tab). Check the Registration Guide at www.MineralArea.edu for the withdrawal deadline. Read the payment policy below prior to dropping a course.

#### **TUITION, BOOKS AND FEES**

Dual Enrollment Tuition: \$58 per credit hour Dual Enrollment Fees: Students are responsible for fees Dual Enrollment Books: Students are responsible for purchasing their books and required materials unless the high school does so (Tuition and fees are subject to change.)

#### **PAYMENT POLICY & DEADLINES**

Dual enrollment students are financially responsible for tuition and any additional costs associated with the course(s) they enroll in unless they drop the course(s) prior to the start of the MAC semester. Students will be mailed a bill for each semester they enroll. Bills are mailed about 6-8 weeks into the semester. Students who have an outstanding balance cannot view/request transcripts or enroll in additional courses until the balance is paid in full. Eventually, unpaid accounts are sent to a collection agency.

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#### **ONLINE COURSES**

High school students can take selected courses online. Students must have access to reliable high-speed Internet at the student's residence to take an online course. Relying only on Internet access at the student's high school to complete online courses is discouraged since high school schedules (and school cancellations) may hinder the student's ability to complete coursework on time.

Some courses require students to use Microsoft Office. Currently enrolled MAC students can download Microsoft Office 365 at www.MineralArea.edu.

Students must log in to their online course on the first day of the MAC semester to get started. Students will also receive an email from their instructor on their first day of the MAC semester through their MAC email.

#### **ON-CAMPUS COURSES**

Students can take courses on the MAC campus during the school day (if approved by the student's high school) as well as evening classes. In addition to the main campus, students can take selected courses at MAC's outreach centers in Fredericktown, Perryville and Potosi.

#### **HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS**

Are you a home school student wanting to get a jump start on college? Eligible home school students can take online and on-campus courses at MAC for dual enrollment. Home school students will follow the steps above to get started.

## **STUDENT INFORMATION**

### **ADVISING**

Students taking dual credit and dual enrollment courses should contact MAC's Dual Credit Coordinator when they have questions about enrolling in courses. Students planning to get their associate degree while in high school must meet with MAC's Dual Credit Coordinator each semester to ensure they are on track to graduate.

### ATTENDANCE

Students should refer to their MAC schedule for start/ end dates and times. Students are responsible for attending dual enrollment courses even when their high school is not in session. (This includes completing assignments for online courses.)

### **BOOKSTORE**

Students taking dual credit classes will need to check with their high school for books and required materials for their courses. Students taking dual enrollment courses are responsible for purchasing their books unless their high school does so. Students must have their books and required materials by the first day of the MAC semester.

Students enrolled at Mineral Area College can obtain a Student ID Card from the MAC Bookstore. Contact the MAC Bookstore at 573-518-2106.

## **ELIGIBILITY & PRE-REQUISITES**

High school students must meet the following requirements to enroll:

- Freshmen 90th percentile composite score on the ACT
- Sophomores 3.0 GPA or higher & high school recommendations from the principal & counselor
- Juniors 2.5 GPA or higher & high school recommendation from the counselor
- Seniors 2.5 GPA or higher & high school recommendation from the counselor.
  GPA is calculated on a 4.0 scale.

Additionally, high school students must meet the same pre-requisites to enroll in a course as adult students. Students are responsible for ensuring their test scores and college transcripts (if applicable) are on file with MAC's Admissions Office prior to enrolling. Course prerequisites are located in the college's catalog at www.MineralArea.edu.

#### **FERPA**

MAC complies with the Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), as amended. In accordance with this federal law, the institution has adopted policies and procedures governing the confidentiality of student educational records. No individual shall have access to, nor will the institution disclose any information from, a student's educational record without the written consent of the student, or as otherwise authorized by FERPA. The college affords students the right to inspect official records directly relating to them.

Students must complete the FERPA form if they wish to grant parents, guardians, spouse, and/or others access to their educational records maintained by the Registrar's Office, Business Office/Cashier's Office and Financial Aid Office. The FERPA form is located on MyMAC (under the Student tab).

### **GPA**

MAC's grade point average is a numerical value which is obtained by dividing the number of quality grade points earned by the number of quality hours attempted. This average, often called the index, is computed at the end of each term and on a cumulative basis. The grade of A represents four points for each hour of credit; A=4 points, B=3 points, C=2 points and D=1 point. No points are awarded for an F, although the hours attempted are included in the computations and therefore will lower the cumulative GPA.

### **GRADES**

The grade a student earns in a dual credit/enrollment course will be recorded on the student's MAC transcript. Letter grades indicate the quality of coursework completed: A= Excellent, B=Good, C=Average, D=Poor, F=Unsatisfactory. A letter grade of F does not count towards graduation and will be included on the official transcript and GPA computations.

The Registrar's Office has an online grade system; therefore, students do not receive notification of their grades via mail. Students can access grades on MyMAC.

### **LEARNING CENTER**

The Learning Center is a great resource for MAC students who need tutoring for certain classes. The service is free. Contact the Learning Center at 573-518-2140.

# **STUDENT INFORMATION**

### LIBRARY

Currently enrolled students have the privilege of checking out materials from the library on MAC's campus or online. Students must present their current Student ID Card when checking out items from the MAC Library. Students can accrue library fines if books are overdue. Contact the MAC Library at 573-518-2141.

### **STUDENT CONDUCT**

Students enrolled in dual credit and/or dual enrollment courses must abide by MAC's policies regarding student behavior and academic policy located in the college's catalog at www.MineralArea.edu.

### **STUDENT HOLDS**

A hold on a student's account (such as fees due, library fine, etc.) will prevent the student from doing things such as registering for additional classes, viewing/ requesting their transcript, etc.

### **STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

MAC provides reasonable and appropriate accommodations for students with documented disabilities to participate in campus programs, services and activities. People with disabilities are defined with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008. Review the U.S. Department of Education's Know Your Rights and Responsibilities at www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/transition.html Contact the Access Office at 573-518-2152.

## **SYLLABUS**

Students are responsible for reading and abiding by the course syllabus for each course they enroll in at MAC. Course syllabi are provided to students on the first day of classes by their instructor.

## TRANSCRIPTS

The Registrar's Office releases transcripts only by written or online authorization from the student. A transcript may be requested at www.MineralArea.edu. There is a fee for this service. Please visit the website for transcript processing fee information.

## **TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDIT**

Admission requirements for transfer students vary among receiving colleges and universities. Courses taken for credit at MAC will be accepted in transfer by other colleges, provided grades are satisfactory and courses taken are appropriate to the degree sought by the student. To assure smooth transfer to a four-year institution, students should consult an academic advisor early regarding transferability of credit earned at MAC. The Associate of Arts degree is designed as the statewide general studies transfer degree.

Although acceptance of credit is at the discretion of the transfer school, MAC has articulation agreements facilitating transfer. Generally, college transfer program courses will satisfy various department, general education, elective and degree requirements at receiving schools. Career and technical program courses may not transfer because they are designed for employment preparation rather than transfer.

It is the student's responsibility to follow the recommendations of the institution to which they intend to transfer upon completing work at MAC. Students planning to transfer should visit the website of the institution they plan to attend.

## WITHDRAWAL DUE TO SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

If a dual credit student departs from the high school section of the dual credit course, the student may be entitled to a refund if the withdrawal is due to circumstances beyond the student's control. Requests for withdrawal must come through the guidance counselor and be caused by circumstances beyond the student's control, such as moving or serious illness. If a serious illness, documentation from a physician may be required. Once paperwork is processed and a withdrawal is approved, the course will appear on the MAC transcript with a grade of "W" (or Withdrawal). The request will be confirmed with the student and counselor. Withdrawal forms are available through your high school counselor.

Mineral Area College's Dual Credit Program is accredited by the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships.



## **MYMAC & MAC EMAIL**

Once a student's admissions application is processed, they will be given access to a MyMAC and MAC email account. MyMAC is an online student portal where students can access their online courses, transcript, GPA, student forms and much more. Students will need to check their MAC email regularly as this is the main form of communication between the student and the college. Follow the steps below to get your MyMAC and MAC email log-in information.



Once you complete the steps above to get logged in to MyMAC, go back to www.MineralArea.edu and click on "MAC email" (at the top). It will direct you to a Gmail account. You will enter in your MAC email address for the user name and then your MyMAC password for the password. Contact MAC's Help Desk at 573-518-3850 if you need help logging in.

## **MYMAC RESOURCES**

Taking an online course? Click the **E-LEARNING TAB** to get started.

Want to register for classes or see what courses are available? Click on COURSE SEARCH. Want to access your GPA, grades, transcript, schedule or student forms? Click on the **STUDENT TAB.**  Want to check your billing statement? Click the MY ACCOUNT INFO TAB.

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Handouts



## Want to SAVE MONEY and get a JUMP START on college while still in high school?

## Contact us to get started at MAC!

## Call us at 573-518-3805 Email us at tweissmu@mineralarea.edu

Main	573-431-4593
Admissions	573-518-2228
Bookstore	573-518-2106
Business Office	573-518-2287
Computer Help Desk	573-518-3850
Disability Services	573-518-2152
Library	573-518-2141
Learning Center	573-518-2140
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