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DUAL CREDIT

What is it?

Dual credit is an opportunity for high school students who meet admissions standards to enroll in public postsecondary institutions in South Dakota and simultaneously earn credits for both their high school diploma and postsecondary degree or certificate.

Dual credit courses are offered by the postsecondary institution's faculty members, are governed by the postsecondary institution's policies, and follow the postsecondary institution's established processes for admissions, registration, billing and grade reporting. Courses include college-level content and subject matter; students choosing to participate will be held to the same expectations and standards as college students.

Through a program approved by the South Dakota Legislature, dual credit coursework is available to high school students in grades 11-12 at the rate of \$48.33 per credit. That compares to about \$200 per credit at the state's four technical institutes and \$300 per credit at the state's public universities. Students are responsible for the \$48.33 per-credit cost and any required textbooks or related course materials.

Students are able to choose from a number of on-campus and online classes, including general education and career and technical education courses.

*If you're an educator, click here to learn more.

What courses are available?

[DOE Dual Credit Dashboard](#)

How do I register?

Your first step should be to meet with your school counselor or high school principal to talk about whether you are a good candidate for dual credit. That person can put you in touch with the appropriate institution. Each of the participating public universities and technical institutes has their own registration process. If you click on the links below, you can access the necessary registration forms. Take the form from the appropriate institution when you meet with your local school contact.

Dual credit spring registration:

November 6th for the Technical Institutes

November 20th for the Board of Regents Institutes

[Technical Institutes Registration Form](#)

[SDBOR Registration Form](#)

Transfer of courses

If you intend to transfer from one postsecondary institution to another, you are encouraged to consult with the institution of your choice regarding the transferability of credits earned.

RESOURCES

[Dual Credit Flyer](#)

[Is Dual Credit Right for Me?](#)

[Student FAQs](#)

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[SDBOR Online Course Tech Requirements](#)

[Dual Credit Registration Contacts](#)

Home School Students

Home school families who are interested in enrolling students in the reduced tuition dual credit program must have a waiver of exemption on file with the Department of Education and work directly with the department to start the enrollment process for the reduced cost courses. School districts are not able to enroll home school students in the program.

Families of home school students must submit a signed memorandum of understanding (MOU) and completed registration forms to the Department of Education. Once these items are returned, the Department of Education will verify the student has a current certificate of exemption on file with the department and then forward the student's registration on to the university or technical institute for approval. Once the student has met the admission requirements at the post-secondary institution, he/she can enroll in dual credit courses. For more information on admission requirements, please contact the post-secondary institution that your child is interested in attending.

To request a MOU for the program, please send the student's name, the parent's name, home school district, and preferred mailing address to DOEdualcredit@state.sd.us.



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