



# Summit Christian Academy Dual Credit Options

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# Why Dual Credit?

## 01 Save Money

- ACC waives tuition for in-district students up to 12 classes (36 credits total)
- Student covers textbook costs, if the course requires textbooks

## 02 Save Time

- Taking college courses during high school = less time spent in college after high school.
- Students who take advantage of 11th and 12th grade d/c classes will graduate with at least **24 college credits.**

## 03 Flexibility

- Make room in your high school schedule by taking elective classes over the summer
- Explore a wide range of courses beyond what SCA offers.

## 04 Rigor

- College admissions reps are looking for students who challenge themselves academically during high school.

**Austin  
Community  
College**

**LeTourneau  
University**

**Colorado  
Christian  
University**

Online courses during a study hall @ SCA,  
or taken in summer.

**Offered for 11th and 12th graders Social Studies.** These online, asynchronous classes are monitored by SCA teacher Aaron Fisher in a grouped independent study course.

**Offered for 11th and 12th grade English.** In-person taught by SCA instructor Amy Smith.

See the list of approved courses for each college [here](#).

# Dual Credit

# AP Classes

## Class Experience

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Usually online classes taught by a professor</li><li>• Fewer assignments &amp; grades (higher stakes)</li><li>• Access to profs is limited to office hours, email communication</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Taught by SCA teachers</li><li>• Traditional HS grading system</li><li>• Summer assignments</li><li>• Easy access to teachers for help</li></ul> |
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## GPA Impact and College Credit

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Must pass with a C or higher for college credit</li><li>• Grades impact college GPA</li><li>• Grades DO NOT count for High School GPA unless offered on campus with SCA instructor</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Must score 3, 4, or 5 on the AP exam to earn college credit</li><li>• Test scores DO NOT impact college GPA</li><li>• Grades DO count for HS GPA</li></ul> |
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**Both are proven to promote student success in college.**

**Both demonstrate rigor when reviewed for college applications.**

# The Fine Print

- Dual credit classes will count on your college transcript – there are no take backs!
- Dual credit courses count for **.5 high school credit**, since they are only semester long classes.
- Dual credit courses offered off-campus or taken during the summer will appear on the student’s transcript but will **not** factor into the student’s GPA.
- Dual credit courses offered on campus with an SCA instructor will be factored into student GPA.
- Professors are available via office hours or email and **CANNOT** communicate with parents (per FERPA).
- LETU and CCU courses cost ~\$300. They do not require TSI testing.
- ACC courses are free but require a passing [TSIA](#) or SAT score.
- Students can take up to 12 credit hours at ACC for free.

# Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)

- **Students must:**

- Maintain a 2.0 GPA (C average)
- Maintain a 67% Completion Rate - withdrawals and Fs count against this and it does NOT round up!

- **If a student does not meet SAP, he/she:**

- Will be required to meet with an Academic Advisor prior to enrolling in subsequent coursework
- Will be required to pay full tuition next semester of enrollment, until SAP is met
- Will be put on financial aid suspension. When students graduate high school, this follows them to a 4-year university.

# What if...

- **I pass the course?**

- Request an unofficial transcript and send it to SCA so we can add the credit to your high school transcript.

- **I realize it's too hard?**

- You have the option of withdrawing from the course without penalty...but have to do it before the deadline!

- **I fail the course?**

- You may have to go to academic counseling before you can register for another class and it will show on your college transcript & GPA.
- **This is why you should withdraw if you're in trouble of not passing!** Your first step should be to contact the college guidance counselor. Don't stay stuck, no shame here.

# Dual Credit Students Are...

## Responsible

The **student** is in the driver's seat for registration & communication.

The **student** manages time wisely, meets deadlines, and shows up to class (on time).

## Self-Advocates

The **student** advocates to professors for accommodations, extensions, additional tutoring, etc.

## Engaged

The **student** reads emails, class materials, course updates & asks questions.

## Ambitious

The **student** is academically mature and ready for the rigor of college-level instruction. The stakes are high!

# General Timeline

- Meet with Mrs. Ten Brook in Spring to select classes.
- Begin studying for the TSI if needed for ACC.
- Take the TSI in March or April.
- Register for Fall classes in May.
- Pay for classes in Spring/early Summer.
- Classes begin in Fall.
- Repeat the process for Spring classes in late Fall.
- CCU registration takes place in class with Ms. Smith midway through the semester.

**[ACC important dates website](#)**

**[LeTourneau important dates website](#)**

# How to Enroll

Please complete & submit the [Dual Credit Contract](#) to Mrs. Ten Brook first!

[ACC Registration Guide](#)

[LETU Registration Guide](#)