



## Dual Credit FAQs

### What is the dual credit program?

- The Dual Credit program is a partnership between Ilisagvik College and North Slope Borough School District offering college courses for qualified students while they are still enrolled in high school.
- Dual credit courses are replacements rather than additions as students earn both college and high school credit for every dual credit course they take.

### What are the benefits of participating in the dual credit program?

- Provides a head start on college core requirements
- Lowers cost of college (credits earned are at no cost to the student)
- Extends the variety of classes available to high school students
- Allows an easier transition to college

### Who may register for dual credit courses?

- The dual credit program was designed for high school juniors (4 credits) and seniors (6 credits).

### Which courses are eligible for dual credit?

- Any course offered for credit in the current Ilisagvik College schedule is open to dual credit students as long as they meet eligibility and prerequisite requirements.
- Students should work closely with their high school counselors to ensure that they are on-track for graduation and that registering for dual credit courses will help rather than hinder that goal.

### What are eligibility requirements?

- Cumulative high school grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or higher (unless waived).
- Written approval from parent(s) or legal guardian AND designated North Slope Borough School District official.



### **What are course prerequisites?**

- *Some* courses may require another course to be taken first, such as ENGL, MATH, or a lower level course (101 before 102, etc.).
- *Some* courses require that students take the ACCUPLACER for placement.
- *Some* courses have additional requirements. For example, students must be at least 16 years of age and have a current driver's license in order to register for CDL and/or heavy equipment courses.
- *Some* courses, such as education courses, require a background check for students over 16 years of age.

### **How can it be determined if a course has prerequisite requirements?**

- Check the course description in the current Ilisagvik College course catalog.

### **Which forms are necessary for dual credit registration?**

- Dual Credit form
- Registration form
- High school transcript.

### **When does a student receive credit for the dual credit course?**

- Upon successful completion of the course, Ilisagvik College awards credit and reports to the school district records manager.
- When the high school records manager receives the transcript from the college, high school credit is awarded.
- If the student *does not* successfully complete the course, the grade is still recorded on their transcript and reported to the school district, though no credit is awarded.

### **What factors tend to support the success of dual credit students?**

- Personal motivation, persistence, and ability to work independently.
- Accountability and support for the course at the high school as well as the college level.