

Early College Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is Early College?

The Early College Programs, (Dual Enrollment/Early Admission/ Accelerated Dual Enrollment) at State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota (SCF), allow qualified high school students to enroll in selected college courses to satisfy high school graduation requirements and the associate degree. Students interested in Early College (dual enrollment) should

Dual Enrollment?

Dual Enrollment enables qualified public, private, homeschool, and PEP students to enroll in selected college credit courses offered by SCF. Credits earned count toward both a college degree and a high school diploma. Students may enroll in up to 6 credit hours per semester in Fall and Spring and up to 3 credit hours during Summer.

What Is Early Admission?

Early Admission is a form of dual enrollment wherein qualified public, private, homeschool, and PEP senior students enroll at SCF on a full-time basis not to exceed 6 credit hours for Fall and Spring and up to 3 credit hours during the Summer. Students must register for a minimum of 3 credit hours.

What are the qualifications?

Qualified students must meet the following criteria:

- 3.0 unweighted high school GPA (Dual Enrollment/ Early Admission), 3.5 unweighted high school GPA (Accelerated Dual Enrollment).
- Qualifying placement test scores in Reading and Math.

Students who earn less than a "C" in a course or withdraw or are withdrawn from a course will not be eligible to participate in the following dual enrollment semester.

All Early College Documentation Must be Submitted by:

- Spring Deadline - December 1st
- Summer/ Fall Deadline - May 15th

Required Documentation:

- Early College Application
- Qualifying test scores
- Early College Contract
- Online Orientation
- County Letter (homeschool only)
- PEP Verification (PEP students only)
- Registration

What Is Accelerated Dual Enrollment?

The Accelerated Dual Enrollment Program (ADE) is a form of dual enrollment through which eligible public high school students in grades 11 and 12 enroll at SCF on a full-time basis. This accelerated option allows students to earn college credit while still in high school.

Are the Early College programs right for everyone?

Not necessarily. The Early College programs provided