

EARLY COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

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nded: 1955 – Oldest Concurrent Enrollment Program

Course Offerings: Over 60 courses in more than 25 disciplines Annual Number of UConn ECE Students: Approximately 10,000 Number of Certified UConn ECE Instructors: Approximately 1,100 Number of Participating High Schools: Approximately 175



UConn Early College Experience

College Starts Now





A Committed Program

UConn Early College Experience (ECE) is a concurrent enrollment program that allows motivated high school students to take UConn courses at their high schools for both high school and college credit. Every course taken through UConn ECE is equivalent to the same course at the University of Connecticut. Students benefit by taking college courses in a setting that is both familiar and conducive to learning. Established in 1955, UConn ECE is the nation's longest running concurrent enrollment programs and is nationally accredited by The National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (NACEP).

Understanding

College Ready

Students who participate in UConn ECE can transition from high school to college knowing that they are prepared for the academic work that lies ahead. UConn ECE students graduate from high school comfortable with a college syllabus and can recognize the academic requirements of a college course. Most importantly, students gain the confidence that is required for the next phase in their educational journey. By providing students access to a Research I University, UConn ECE delivers an academic edge over an advanced testing course. Students participating in UConn ECE are encouraged to utilize their many campus benefits which include lending privileges at all University of Connecticut libraries, access to thousands of online academic journals, the UConn student email system and admission to virtual classrooms that are exclusively for University of Connecticut students. UConn ECE students are welcome to explore their benefits by visiting a UConn campus or going online at: www.ece.uconn.edu.

College Savings

Saving Money

With the rising cost of higher education today, saving money is a top priority. Courses offered through UConn ECE are approximately one-tenth of the cost in comparison to taking the same course on a UConn campus. It is not uncommon for a student to graduate high school with over a semester's worth of UConn credits. This results in long-term financial savings for students and parents. Approximately 28% of first year students at the University of Connecticut have taken courses through UConn ECE.

UConn ECE conducted the largest credit transfer study in the country and found that credits transferred to other universities 87% of the time. For more information on transfer credit and to learn about our study, visit: www.ece.uconn.edu/research/.

Saving Time

Earning college credits while in high school offers attractive options for the college years. Students gain additional flexibility to consider internships, studying abroad, community service and double-majors. Some students may even have the opportunity to graduate from college in three years, depending on the number of UConn credits earned while in high school. UConn ECE students have an official University transcript that can be sent to the college of their choice. Grades are recorded as credit earned at the University of Connecticut and are recognized as such by many colleges and universities. Students do not need to attend the University of Connecticut to have their credits recognized.

Providing Access to, and Preparation for, Higher Education

Expert Instructors



The quality of each course is a testament to a distinguished group of instructors who guarantee the highly rigorous academic experience that students receive. Courses through UConn ECE are taught by University-certified high school instructors who serve as adjunct faculty members. In order to become certified, an instructor must have the same qualifications as an adjunct faculty member teaching on a UConn campus. UConn ECE faculty deliver a college course where a student's grade is a culmination of a semester's worth of assignments and preparation. It is more than just training for an exam at the end of the year. They set the groundwork for students to be committed to furthering their education.

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