

EARLY COLLEGE PATHWAY PROGRAM



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EARLY COLLEGE PATHWAY (ECP) PROGRAM

History

In 2015, San Joaquin Delta College developed a unique college early start program in collaboration with surrounding school districts. The program was named the Early College Pathway (ECP) Program. The goal of ECP is to give high achieving high school students an opportunity to take college courses with the goal of completing an associate degree while maintaining normal enrollment at their high school. ECP is entering our 8th year of existence. In this time, the program has won the prestigious CSBA Golden Bell Award and fostered the graduation of 7 cohorts.

Introduction (The ECP Process)

The ECP process starts in the spring of a student's 8th grade year. Our ECP Coordinator works with our partner school districts in identifying interested students. Next, ECP schedules information presentations for interested families. In the last step, our team conducts recruitment and follow-up through phone calls/texts, emails, and virtual and/or live program start up orientations. The goal of this process is for our participants to start ECP in the fall of their freshman in high school.

During our ECP orientation, rules and expectations are explained. In their sophomore year, ECP participants then choose from the following two educational goals:

1. **The Associate's Degree** pathway (see [Pathway Roadmaps – Option 1](#))
 - a. Complete all general education and required classes for an Interdisciplinary Studies, Mathematics and Science Option, Associate of Science degree
 - b. With the added bonus of receiving a second degree: Interdisciplinary Studies, Arts, Humanities, and Social Science Option, Associate in Arts
 - c. Summer courses required

2. **The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC)** pathway (see [Pathway Roadmaps – Option 2](#))
 - a. Complete all the lower division general education classes required by most UCs/CSUs for transfer credit
 - b. No summer courses required

PROGRAM BENEFITS

Participation in ECP provides high school students the opportunity to gain valuable college survival and readiness skills in a supportive and fun peer-mentored environment.

Benefits for Participating Families

- Save Money – Tuition at the UC system is at least \$14,490 plus cost of books and housing. ECP units earn over 60 units. This saves families almost two years of college tuition.
- Save Time: Quicker completion of a 4-year degree allows students to enter the workforce faster.
- As a parent, you are able to work with our program to help your student better navigate the world of college.

Additional Benefits

- Tuition is free to high school students
- All college courses are taken fully online
- Learn college readiness and survival skills
- Experience the rigors and expectations of a college environment
- One-on-one support from our entire ECP team
- Coordinated services with your participating high school
- Earn an Associate's degree at Delta College while attending high school
- At sophomore and/or junior level status upon entering 4-year colleges and universities

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUCCESS

For a high school student to be successful in the ECP Program, we recommend the following:

1. Students must apply during their 8th grade year
2. At least 2.8 GPA on 7th and 8th grade report cards OR counselor's letter of recommendation of student's success potential for taking high school classes and college courses concurrently
3. Completion of Algebra I before 9th grade year
4. Students' weekly work hours limited to 5-10 hours
5. Limited student participation in extracurricular activities
6. Attend mandatory semester meetings with the Delta College ECP Counselor
7. Follow recommended Delta College registration process deadlines

8. Communicate Delta College registration process issues to the ECP Resource Specialist or Coordinator
9. Enroll in assigned course sections
10. Communicate Delta College course questions to the professor/instructor
11. Mandatory enrollment in our counseling 19 course- Introduction to College Educational Planning

MAINTAIN ELIGIBILITY

To maintain eligibility in ECP, participating students must follow the preset pattern of courses in order to fulfill program requirements. However, students may choose to take additional college courses beyond program requirements. Changes and additions must be ECP Counselor approved. Remember, high school classes and college courses get progressively harder each semester. Our program philosophy places priority in ensuring students maintain good grades in both the high school and the ECP program.

Requirements

- Must follow one of the ECP Roadmaps (Associate's degree or IGETC)
- Must not use high school AP tests to fulfill ECP required courses
- Must maintain a good academic standing BOTH at the high school and at Delta College
- Must maintain a semester and overall high school and Delta College GPA of 2.8 or above
- Must pass ALL high school classes
- Must pass ALL Delta College courses

PATHWAY ROADMAPS (aka EDUCATION PLANS)

Option 1 – Associate's Degree

Option 1: Early College Pathway Roadmap AS: IS and/or AA: IS Degree: Math & Science Master Plan																			
YEAR 1 / 9th GRADE (FALL SEMESTER)					YEAR 2 / 10th GRADE (FALL SEMESTER)					YEAR 3 / 11th GRADE (FALL SEMESTER)					YEAR 4 / 12th GRADE (FALL SEMESTER)				
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COUN 19*	1		Elective	N/A	ENG 30	3		III	3A/3B	BIOL 11	4		II	5B+C	CHEM 3A	4			
RELGN 14A	3		III	3B	HIST 17A	3		V	3B	ENG 2A*	4		IA	1A	ETHNS 34/35/36	3			VII
<small>*See UC Transferable</small>					<small>*See UC Transferable</small>					<small>*See UC Transferable</small>					<small>*See UC Transferable</small>				
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CS 11	3		VI	Elective	ECON 5	3		V	4	STATS 12EX*	4.5		IB	2	COMST 1A	3			1C
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CSP 17	3			Elective	PSYCH1	3		V	4										
SOCIO 1A	3		V	4	BUS 20	3		VI	Elective										
<small>*See UC Transferable</small>					<small>*See UC Transferable</small>														
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Option 2 – IGETC

Option 2: Early College Pathway Roadmap IGETC																			
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DELTA COLLEGE ARTICULATED COURSES

Pending district policy, participating high schools may choose to articulate Delta Courses to count for A-G graduation requirements at the high schools. Currently, some participating districts allow for articulation of courses. Districts do have limitations for double dipping of courses that may also be completed in the AP or IB process.

What follows is a sample of Delta College courses articulated for high school A-G equivalencies.

Please note: Some districts choose not to articulate Delta courses for A-G.

High School Class	Delta College Equivalence <i>with Prerequisite</i>
Economics	ECON 5 – Principles of Macroeconomics <i>prerequisite – Algebra I with a “C” or better</i>
English 11	ENG 1A – Reading and Composition OR ENG 2A – Reading and Writing with Support
English 12	ENG 1B – College Composition and Literature <i>prerequisite: ENG 1A or ENG 2A with a “C” or better</i>
Government	POLSC 1 – American Government and Institutions <i>prerequisite: ENG 1A or ENG 2A with a “C” or better</i>
Pre-Calculus	MATH 39 – Precalculus <i>prerequisite: MATH 92S – Intermediate Algebra (STEM) with a “C” or better</i>
Statistics	MATH 12 – Introduction to Probability and Statistics <i>prerequisite: MATH 92S – Intermediate Algebra (STEM) with a “C” or better</i>
U.S. History	HIST 17A or 17B – History of the United States
World History	HIST 2B – World History since 1600

RECOMMENDED OPTIONAL STEPS TO JOIN THE ECP PROGRAM (for districts and students to collaborate)

Our ECP staff will work with participating school districts to identify, recruit, and assist students in joining our program. Once our recruitment process is complete, students can complete the following:

1. Letter of recommendation from one current core teacher
2. Final report card from 7th grade and the second quarter report card from 8th grade
3. Letter of intent from parent
4. Apply to Delta College: <https://deltacollege.edu/apply>
5. Complete the College Early Start e-form before deadline
6. Enroll in assigned college courses on or soon after priority registration date/time
7. Attend mandatory ECP orientation before the start of student's freshman year in high school

Our ECP staff will provide admission and program registration assistance every step of the way. We look forward to working with your school, students, and parents.

Please reach out to us at (209) 833 – 7900 or mhcampus@deltacollege.edu as we are here to assist with student success.



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Our program helps high school students earn a two year degree while engaging in cohort style learning!

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Free tuition for high school students
- Fully online courses
- Complete General Education (GE) requirements & earn transferrable credits

SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFO



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The graphic is a vertical rectangular poster with a black background and yellow and white text. At the top, the title 'EARLY COLLEGE PATHWAY' is written in large, bold, white letters on a yellow curved background. Below the title, a circular inset photo shows five graduates in black caps and gowns standing in a line. To the left of the photo, there is a white graduation cap icon above the text 'PROGRAM BENEFITS' in yellow. Below this, a list of three bullet points in white text describes the program's benefits. To the right of the photo, the text 'SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFO' is written in yellow above a square QR code. At the bottom left, the Delta College logo and 'SOUTH CAMPUS AT MOUNTAIN HOUSE' are displayed. At the bottom right, contact information including an email address and two phone numbers is provided.