



EARLY COLLEGE: MEET THE CHALLENGE

WHO?	<u>Who is eligible to take Early College?</u> Most Early College classes are open to Juniors and Seniors, and some courses are also open to sophomores. To be successful, students should have a strong background in reading, writing and/or math and be ready for the challenge of college level work. Get Started with AP World History. Sophomores can take AP World History to get a sense of what an Early College class is like.
WHAT?	<u>What kinds of courses are Early College?</u> Advanced Placement classes prepare students to take an end-of-course exam. Students can earn college credit by scoring high enough on the exam. College in High School classes are offered in partnership with a college or university. Students pay tuition and earn college credit at the same time as high school credit. Tech Prep classes focus on Career and Technical Education subject areas offered in partnership with community and technical colleges. Many Tech Prep courses are tuition-free. Many Early College courses fulfill college graduation requirements.
WHEN?	<u>When should students take early college classes in their full class schedule?</u> When students are completing their regular class registration in the spring, they can choose to take Early College classes as long as they have completed pre-requisites. If students plan carefully, they can fulfill high school graduation requirements and earn college credit at the same time.
WHERE	<u>Where do students take early college classes?</u> Students do not need to travel to a college to take Early College classes. Classes are offered during the regular school day at the student's high school. This gives students the opportunity to stay connected with their school community.
HOW?	<u>How do students register for college credit after they are enrolled in the course at their high school?</u> Advanced Placement students register for the exam in the spring with the help of their teachers, counselors or principals. College in High School and Tech Prep students register for courses directly through the college, usually online, with teacher guidance.
WHY?	<u>Why should students challenge themselves to take Early College Classes?</u> Taking Early College classes build students' skills to be prepared for success in college. Additionally, students entering college with credits already earned have momentum to finish. Paying for Early College credits now means college is less expensive later.

EARLY COLLEGE TUITION PRICES: A COMPARISON

<u>2012-13 Tuition Prices at 5 College and Universities:</u> Quarter System Full-Time Tuition Rates for 15 Credits: • Everett Community College: \$1,324.60 • Central Washington University: \$2,647 • University of Washington: \$3,769 • Western Washington University: \$2,501 Semester System Full-Time Tuition Rates for 12 Credits: • Washington State University: \$5,693	<u>Early College Tuition Prices</u> Advanced Placement • Exam Fee = \$89.00 College in High School • Everett Community College: 5 credits = \$198 • University of Washington: 5 credits + Registration Fee = \$307 + \$42 Tech Prep: Most courses are free.
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MORE QUESTIONS? LET US HELP

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