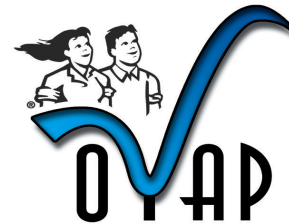


Dual Credit Programs

Parental/Guardian Fact Sheet



The **Dual Credit Program** was developed through the Ministry of Education and School-College-Work Initiative (SCWI) to build and sustain better linkages between the college system and the secondary school system. Dual credit programs are an important part of the government's Student Success Strategy and Reaching Higher Plan for Postsecondary Education.

What are Dual Credit Programs?

- Dual Credit Programs are designed to assist secondary students in the completion of their OSSD and successful transition to college and apprenticeship programs
- Students have an opportunity to earn a college credit and a high school credit simultaneously
- Students attend (this varies depending on the College program hours) at the college (funding for transportation/TTC tickets is provided) or students receive instruction at their home school
- Courses offered are approved for OSSD credit by the Ministry of Education, delivered by public institutions and appropriately qualified educators with OSSD credits awarded only by secondary school principal

Eligible Students

- The primary focus is on those students facing challenges in graduating - this includes disengaged and underachieving students with the potential to succeed and attend a post secondary institution
- Students should be at least 16 years of age and have completed the O.S.S.D. literacy requirement (either OSSLT or OSSLC)
- It is recommended that students have completed at least 16 credits prior to registering

Model of Delivery ***Congregated***

- A school has a congregated class of students who would take the college course together, or
- A number of students from different secondary schools take the college course together

Integrated

- A number of students from a secondary school or several different secondary schools join a college class with college students

Commitment of School

- Principal will provide a key contact teacher name to serve in a dedicated role
- To have the Dual Credit Program be a part of the timetable and staffing discussions
- To recruit appropriate students to take part in the program

Important Information

- May benefit students in approved Specialist High Skills Majors
- A secondary school student may count a maximum of four optional credits toward the OSSD for college delivered dual credit courses.
- It is *highly recommended* that students be timetabled into Co-op on the days that they are not participating in the dual credit. Students do have the flexibility to take a college course when it is available and complete the required work placement hours at an appropriate time during the semester.

For More Information Contact:

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