Early College at CCV

If you are a rising Vermont high school senior, you can apply to CCV's Early College (EC) program which allows you to spend your final year of high school at CCV earning college credits that help you graduate and get a jump on your college degree, tuition free (not including textbooks costs).

Students in this program enroll full time at any of CCV's 12 locations by taking 5 college level classes (at least 15 credits) during the fall and spring of their senior year of high school for a total of 10 classes (30+ credits).

Apply to the Early College Program

New to CCV?
If you’ve never taken CCV classes before, complete the following steps to be considered for CCV’s Early College program. If you’ve taken CCV classes in the last four semesters, refer to the steps under “Returning to CCV?” below. Not sure? Contact Jennifer Barrett at (802) 654-0513 or jennifer.barrett@ccv.edu.

- **Apply for admission** [https://apply.ccv.edu/highschool] by July 15. Choose “Fall” as your first semester. Answer “Yes” when asked about the Early College program
- Complete the **Accuplacer assessment** [http://ccv.edu/assessments] at your nearest CCV location. Official SAT or ACT scores that are less than three years old may be submitted for review instead
- Send the following documents **by August 1** to Jennifer Barrett, Office Manager for College Initiatives, CCV-Winooski, 1 Abenaki Way, Winooski, VT 05404:
  - 1-2 page essay explaining why Early College at CCV is a good choice for you
  - Letter of support from a school counselor or teacher who can speak to your readiness for Early College
  - Unopened official copy of your high school transcript

Soon after your completed application is received, you will be contacted regarding your status in the Early College program. If accepted, you will work with your school counselor and CCV to enroll in five fall semester courses.

Returning to CCV?
If you have taken CCV classes in the last four semesters, send the following documents **by August 1** to Jennifer Barrett, Office Manager for College Initiatives, CCV-Winooski, 1 Abenaki Way, Winooski, VT 05404:

- **Early College Application Form** [http://ccv.edu/documents/2014/03/early-college-application.pdf]
- Assurance form signed by high school principal (included with application form)
- 1-2 page essay explaining why Early College at CCV is a good choice for you
- Letter of support from a school counselor or teacher who can speak to your readiness for Early College
- Unopened official copy of your high school transcript

Additional steps may be required including the completion of a skills assessment or the submission of SAT or ACT scores. Soon after your completed application is received, you will be contacted regarding your status in the Early College program. If accepted, you will work with your school counselor and CCV to enroll in five fall semester courses.
Frequently Asked Questions

Can I be a part-time Early College student?
No. All EC students must enroll full-time in 15 credits (5 classes) for both the fall and spring semester of their senior year of high school.

How much should I expect to pay for fees?
As an Early College student, you will not be charged any fees. You will be responsible for all textbook costs.

How much should I expect to pay for textbooks?
Textbook costs can vary a great deal depending on the courses you are taking. We recommend you budget $500 to $1000 per semester for textbooks.

Can EC students take pre-college level courses?
No. All EC students must be ready to enroll in full-time, college level coursework.

Can I participate in activities at my high school?
Yes. Although EC students take only CCV classes during their senior year, they are still permitted to participate in high school events including athletics, clubs, and graduation.

Can I enroll in one of CCV’s degree programs?
Yes.

Can I transfer to another college after Early College?
Yes. We recommend you work closely with your high school counselor and intended transfer school to plan your EC coursework accordingly.

Is there an Orientation for Early College students?
Yes. All EC students will be expected to attend an orientation at their CCV Academic Center.

Additional Details
Early College Assurances Web Links
- Curriculum Standards: http://catalog.ccv.edu
- Faculty Standards: http://ccv.edu/learn-about-ccv/employment
- Student Standards: http://ccv.edu/learn-about-ccv/policies-procedures/

Questions?
Contact Katie Mobley (katie.mobley@ccv.edu) for more information.