



# Sherrard High School

Dual Credit Program

# What is Dual Credit?



Sherrard High School in combination with Black Hawk College provides the opportunity for students to earn high school AND college credit by taking college-level courses in high school.

# How many credit hour can students earn?

For each class, students will earn **three (3) college credits** and **(.5) high school credit**.

## **Seniors:**

Seniors will take 4 classes - two in the fall, and two in the spring to earn 12 college credits and 2 high school credits.

## **Juniors:**

Juniors will take 2 classes - one in the fall and one in the spring to earn 6 college credits and 1 high school credit.

What classes will students take?



Sherrard has chosen general education classes that are required for both the AA (Associates in Art) and AS (Associates in Science). These classes will help them toward either degree.

## Senior Class Offerings - FALL

COMPOSITION I (ENG 101)	Communication Credit (3)
INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY (PSYCH 101)	Social and Behavioral Science Credit (3)
	<b>6 CREDITS</b>

## Senior Class Offerings - SPRING

COMPOSITION II (ENG 102)	Communication Credit (3)
PRINCIPLES OF SPEECH COMMUNICATION (SPEC 101)	Communication Credit (3)
	<b>6 CREDITS</b>

# Junior Class Offering - FALL

ART APPRECIATION (ART 100) **OR**  
MUSIC APPRECIATION (MUSC 154)

Humanities and Fine Arts Credit

**3 CREDITS**

# Junior Class Offering - SPRING

Western Civilization (HIST 125) **OR**  
History Elective

Humanities and Fine Arts Credit  
Social and Behavioral Sciences Credit

**3 CREDITS**

## Options for **English 101 and 102**

**BHC-Taught** - will be taught online by a Black Hawk College professor.

**Sherrard-Taught** - will be taught by a Sherrard teacher certified to teach college courses.

# Do seniors have to take all 4 classes?

Students taking BHC taught English must take all 4 classes.

Students taking Sherrard taught English can choose 1 of 2 options:

1. Take only English 101 and 102
2. Take all 4 classes

## Additional Opportunity for SENIORS Only

Seniors are allowed to take one (1) online college class on their own. Students are responsible for the entire cost (no reimbursement). There will be eligibility requirements for these classes. Students can take this class on its own or with the dual credit program. See Mrs. Drish for more information.

## Other Additional Opportunities

- PE 125 (seniors only) (1 Cr)
- WLDG 101 SMAW I (juniors and seniors) (3 Cr)
- WLDG 105 Cutting Oper and Plasma (1 Cr)
- WLDG 120 GMAW I (juniors and seniors) (4 Cr)

## Requirements

- PE 125 - Teacher recommendation
- WLDG 101 SMAW I - Intro to Ag, Basic Ag Mech
- WLDG 120 GMAW I - Welding 101 and 105

# Are Dual Credit classes weighted?

Dual credit classes are NOT weighted. Students will earn normal quality points (not weighted).

Students will earn a half credit (.5) on their high school transcript for every class they take and pass.

Students will three credits (3) on their college transcript for every class they take and pass.

# Are there any educational requirements?

REQUIREMENTS  
FOR ENG  
101/102, AND  
PSYCHOLOGY

## READING/ELA SCORES

SAT	480
ACT	22

**OR**

## ACCUPLACER

Reading	255
Writing	5

# Accuplacer

The Accuplacer is the Black Hawk College placement test.

Students can take the Accuplacer two (2) times at school for free (make appointments with Mrs. Drish).

Any attempt after that must be done at Black Hawk College at the student's expense (approx cost \$10-20).

The Accuplacer can only be taken 3 times per year.

## AP Language Students



Seniors that took AP Lang their junior year and scored a 3 or higher on the AP exam, can opt out of English 101.

Students can earn college credit for English 101 if they send their AP scores to Black Hawk for evaluation. There is a small cost of approx. \$25.

# Class Formats



Since COVID, classes have moved to mostly online. We prefer a blended learning option which means classes meet in person or via Zoom once a week or more. However, the format of each class will vary depending on availability of professors and schedules.

Students should expect that most classes will be online.

# Independence and Responsibility



Because most classes are online, students need to be responsible and have the ability to work independently.

These are COLLEGE classes - they will be *rigorous* and *time consuming*.

Communication with professors is an important part of taking college level courses. Students need to be in constant communication especially when classes are online. Communication with the professor regarding late work, absences, and misunderstandings is strictly through the student.

# FERPA

If a student is attending a postsecondary institution - at any age - the rights under FERPA transfer to the student.

Students can sign a FERPA which allows the parents to communicate with the teachers regarding their college class(es).



## Authorization to Release Student Records under FERPA

Updated: July 6, 2015  
For student use

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) established in 1974 was enacted to protect students' personal and academic records. FERPA requires certain protective practices to be in place for personally identifiable information of all enrolled students.

### Instructions

Fill out the information below to allow a third party (such as a parent or legal guardian) permission to speak to Black Hawk College regarding your academic record.

### Student Information

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

### Third-Party Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Picture identification (example: driver's license) of this person is required to release your student information. The type of information to be released is from academic records (including grades, class schedule, and other academic information), financial aid records, and finance (student accounts receivable) records.

Please acknowledge below and return to Enrollment Services if you consent for the College to release information from your educational records to the person listed above.

I consent that Black Hawk College may disclose confidential information from my educational record to the individual listed above.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Signature line may be left blank, and e-signature will be accepted when completed form is sent from a student's myBHC email account.*

Please Note: This release form will remain valid unless specifically revoked in writing by the student.

Return by email to: [registrar@bhc.edu](mailto:registrar@bhc.edu)

OR

Print and return to:  
Black Hawk College  
Enrollment Services  
6600 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Moline, IL 61265

BHC FERPA forms can be obtained  
in the high school Counseling Office.

# Calendar



Students enrolled in dual credit are expected to follow the Black Hawk College calendar. For example, when we are on fall break, students are expected to continue work on their college classes.

Classes taught by Sherrard staff will follow the Sherrard school calendar.

# Books



Each professor has a different requirement for books. Most classes have free resources online, however some professors may still require a textbook. Once students are registered to a section, professors will communicate whether any materials will need to be purchased. All textbooks or material cost will be the responsibility of the student.



# Cost - SHS Taught Class

Black Hawk tuition for classes taught by a Sherrard teacher is \$30 per credit hour.

## Sherrard-Taught English 101 and 102:

\$30 per credit hour

## PE125:

\$30 total

## Welding 101, 105 and Welding 120:

\$30 per credit hour



\*Sherrard taught dual credit classes are NOT eligible for reimbursement.

# Billing

- All payments go through Black Hawk College.
- Students are responsible to pay the entire cost for classes each semester up front. Billing is usually 1-2 weeks after the start of classes.
- Payment plans can be set up by calling the Bursar's Office at Black Hawk College. This must be done BEFORE the invoice due date.

Black Hawk College  
Bursar Office  
309-796-5200

# Reimbursement

\*Sherrard taught classes are not reimbursed.

Sherrard generously reimburses half of the cost for 4 (four) classes **IF** the student gets a C or better.

Once the grades are sent from BHC, the list is sent to the board for approval.

After board meeting approval, checks are issued to the #1 contact in Infinite Campus unless otherwise specified.

The student will pay the tuition invoice up front. It is typically due after the first week of class.

# Dropping

We encourage students not to drop dual credit classes mid-semester. If a student feels strongly about dropping the program for an educational reason, a meeting must be scheduled with the Counseling Office.

Students that drop a class will be responsible for working with BHC on a refund **IF** one is available. Depending on the amount of time that has passed, BHC may refund 100%, 75%, 50% or none of the tuition. Refunds will vary depending on when the class is dropped.

Any student that fails a dual credit class 1st semester will be dropped from the program and will pick up English IV and another elective for 2nd semester.

# Application Process

Students will meet with Mrs Drish to complete the online application for BHC.

If students decide to take English 101 with the Black Hawk professor instead of the Sherrard teacher, they will be required to take the Accuplacer prior to BHC's April 1st registration start date. This helps guarantee our students will be in one online section together.

For student who fall short of the required score, they can still get in using their SAT scores, they just might be in a different section than their peers.

Once eligibility is determined, students will complete the registration paperwork. A parent/guardian signature is required.

# Dual Credit Expectations

- Syllabus
- Attendance
- Rigor
- Communication
- Difference between high school and college



All parents/guardians and students will be expected to sign the expectations before class begins.

# Questions?

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