

College in the Classroom Dual Enrollment

College in the Classroom courses are taken right here at York Catholic, with college credit awarded by Alvernia University. The following courses from our course catalog offer the dual enrollment option:

Spanish 5	(six college credits)	Mrs. Bailey
Statistics	(three college credits)	Ms. Staats
Comp Business Tech	(three college credits)	Mr. Sibley
Sociology/Psychology	(three college credits)	Mrs. Wertz
Journalism	(three college credits)	Ms. Henson
Intro to Theater	(three college credits)	Ms. Mezza
Music Theory	(three college credits)	Ms. Mezza

In order to take these courses thru Alvernia, students have to pay per credit. The total cost for one course is \$240; the total cost for Spanish 5 is \$480. Informational letters will be mailed home to students in August; enrollment in this program takes place in early September. Teachers enrich the curriculum for students on the college track; the grade earned from the YC teacher becomes a part of the student's transcript at Alvernia. It sounds like a tremendous expense, but if you compare the cost with other area schools, you will see that this is a good deal. Most colleges and universities accept transfer credit from Alvernia. To date, we know of only five schools that do not: **Lafayette, LaSalle, Villanova, Carnegie Melon, and Ursinus.**

Dual Enrollment options offer a senior the option to leave York Catholic during the course of a school day and take college courses on campus at Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC), York College, or Penn State York. Students are responsible for the complete cost of a Dual Enrollment course. Pending approval by the high school principal, college credits may count toward York Catholic graduation requirements. Students wishing to participate in these Dual Enrollment opportunities must meet the following criteria:

- Senior status
- York Catholic weighted GPA of 2.0
- All entrance requirements of the college/university

Course selection information is as follows:

- A maximum of six college credits may be taken per semester.
- Three college credits will generally equal one York Catholic credit.
- To earn concurrent York Catholic credit, the course must be substantially different than any course the student has previously taken or is projected to take at York Catholic.
- To be awarded York Catholic credit, students must provide an official college transcript to the high school.
- Courses will be recorded on the high school transcript with the college/university noted. The student's York Catholic grade point average, weighted and unweighted, will calculate based upon courses taken at York Catholic High School; although credit will be accepted, dual enrollment grades will not count toward those averages.

Any student interested in the Dual Enrollment option must speak to the Director of Studies by February 15 in order to begin the application process in a timely fashion. Cost is a factor, and families need to discuss with tuition in mind. Total cost per course per college or university is as follows:

Penn State York	\$993 per course, not including Administrative fees and textbooks
York College PA	\$900 per course, \$155 in Administrative fees and textbooks
HACC	\$375 per course, and textbooks