

What is Career & College Promise?

The Career and College Promise (CCP) Program provides opportunities for eligible NC high school students to take tuition-free college courses that typically provide dual credit for college and high school (some students may have to pay for textbooks and supplies). CCP courses accelerate completion of college certificates, diplomas, applied science associate degrees that provide entry-level job skills, and associate degrees that transfer within the UNC system of four-year colleges and universities and many private institutions.



What are the benefits of CCP Courses?

- **Cost savings** - College classes are tuition-free, and in many cases books are free too.
- **Opportunities for growth** - College classes enhance students' achievements in the classroom and beyond. College faculty provide an engaging and rigorous college experience for students seeking academic challenges and/or hands-on, skills-based learning.
- **College experience** - Taking a college class while in high school provides experience in a supportive environment before transitioning to being a full-time, independent college student.

What are the Pathways?

- Students select pathways (a subset of courses from the College's existing certificate, diploma, or associate degree programs) based on their future career and college goals.
- **College Transfer Pathways:** These pathways are designed to earn guaranteed transferable credit within the NC public college and university system and many private institutions, as long as the student earns a "C" or higher.
- **The Career Technical Education (CTE) Pathways:** These pathways are designed to earn credit towards college certificates, diplomas, and two-year Associate of Applied Science degrees. This credit is typically a terminal degree designed for students to go straight to work after completion -- not guaranteed to transfer to four-year colleges/universities' degree programs -- with a few exceptions. Acceptance of transfer credit is determined by the receiving institution.

College Transfer Pathway Eligibility (CTP)

To be eligible for the College Transfer Pathways, a high school junior or senior must meet the following criteria:

1. Have a cumulative, unweighted high school GPA of 2.8 or higher, **OR**, demonstrate college readiness benchmarks in English, reading, AND math subtests on an approved assessment or placement test*.
2. Meet all course pre- or co-requisites.
3. Obtain the written approval of the high school principal or designee and the College designee.

*For more information about approved assessments and placement tests, visit www.wilsoncc.edu/ccp.

The College Transfer Pathways include:

- Associate in Arts (AA)
- Associate in Fine Arts in Music (AFA)
- Associate in Science (AS)

Career Technical Education (CTE) Pathway Eligibility

To be eligible for Career Technical Education (CTE) Pathways, a high school junior or senior must meet the following criteria:

1. Have a cumulative, unweighted GPA of 2.8 or higher, **OR**, demonstrate college readiness benchmarks in English, reading, AND math subtests on an approved assessment or placement test*.
2. If GPA is below 2.8, the high school principal or designee may submit a waiver with rationale for why the GPA was waived.
3. If the CTE pathway contains a UGETC College Transfer course, the GPA requirement cannot be waived.
4. Meet all course pre- or co-requisites.
5. Obtain written approval of the high school principal/designee and the College designee.

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The Career Technical Education Pathways include:

- Accounting – Payroll/QuickBooks
- Applied Engineering Technology (Manufacturing and/or Drafting)
- Biotechnology*
- Business Administration*
- Community Spanish Interpreter
- Criminal Justice Technology
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Electrical Systems Technology
- Information Technology (IT Support or Networking & Cyber Security)
- Interpreter Education - ASL
- Medical Office Administration
- Paralegal Technology
- Welding Technology

*GPA cannot be waived; approval must be obtained by College officials.

Important Information about Pathways

1. A student may be enrolled in two pathways (one CTP and one CTE, **OR**, two CTE); advising is recommended before adding a pathway.
2. A student may change his or her pathway with approval of the high school principal or designee and the College chief academic officer or chief student development administrator. Approval is based on the student providing a reason for the change, and printed verification that the program change allows the student to meet the newly chosen career path. Consult with the College designee first.

For continued enrollment in Pathways:

1. Students must continue to make progress toward high school graduation and cannot delay graduation, and;
2. Maintain a 2.0 college GPA in WCC coursework after completing two courses. If a student's GPA falls below 2.0 after completing 2 college courses, they will be subject to the College's policy for Satisfactory Academic Progress and places students on academic warning or probation status.

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