



Soaring Eagles- RCC Opportunities



A partnership with UCA and
Randolph Community College



Career and College Promise (CCP)

- ★ Statewide initiative that allows UCA students to take RCC courses while still in high school
- ★ Involves a partnership of the NC Department of Public Instruction, the NC Community College System, and the University of North Carolina system
- ★ Allows students to earn college credit at a community college campus at no cost to the student or their family
- ★ Includes a statewide agreement that governs the transfer of these credits between NC community colleges and NC public universities



4 Opportunities to Earn College Credit



Courses of interest

Students who are not interested in pursuing any degree, diploma, or certificate program can still take any courses they are interested in as long as course requirements are met



Certificate/Diploma

Earn a certificate or diploma in a Career Technical Education Pathway



UGETC

Universal General Education Transfer Component Courses earn one full year of college credit towards a Bachelor's degree



Associate's Degree

Two full years of college credit towards a Bachelor's degree

Courses of Interest

- ★ Experience college-level courses in a variety of fields
 - ★ Explore interests without any commitment to a specified program
 - ★ Courses can be taken as elective credits or to satisfy core requirements
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Certificate/ Diploma

- ★ Explore a career to see if it is the best fit for you
 - ★ Graduate high school and enter the workforce
 - ★ Have credit toward a two-year degree
 - ★ Earn a certificate or diploma in the Career Technical Pathway of your choice
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College Transfer Options

UGETC

- ★ Universal General Education Transfer Component Courses (UGETC)
- ★ Requires the successful completion of 10 college transfer classes and ACA-122- College Transfer Success
- ★ Successful completion of UGETC guarantees one full year of college credits transferable to any of the 16 public colleges/universities in NC
- ★ [UGETC Associate in Arts or Science](#)

Associate's Degree

- ★ Students can earn an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science
- ★ Must complete the full UGETC requirements plus an additional 10 college transfer classes
- ★ Successful completion of an Associate's degree guarantees two full years of college credits transferable to any of the [16 public colleges/universities in NC](#)
- ★ Students who acquire an Associate's degree may have the option to apply to a 4 year institution as a transfer applicant

Steps to Enroll:

- ★ To be eligible for enrollment in courses at RCC, a student must meet the following criteria:
 - Be a high school junior or senior
 - Have a cumulative unweighted GPA of 2.8 or higher in high school courses OR demonstrate college readiness on one of the assessments below
 - Remain enrolled in at least one course at your high school each semester

Test	PSAT 10 and PSAT/NMSQT (2015 and Future)	SAT (March 2016 and Future)	Pre-ACT and ACT
English	26 or a composite score of 460 for Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing	480 composite score for Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing	19
Reading	26 or a composite score of 460 for Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing	Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing	22
Mathematics	24.5 or 510	530	22

Benefits of RCC courses



- Dual credit opportunities
- Potential to boost GPA (some classes receive AP weight)
- Stand out to colleges and employers
- Transfer up to 2 years of college credits- Save \$\$\$!
- UCA covers the cost of all textbooks for RCC classes!

Dual Credit Opportunities

★ High School Graduation Requirements:

- World History- HIS 111 World Civilizations I and HIS 112 World Civilizations II
- American History- HIS 131 American History I and HIS 132 American History II
- Biology- BIO 111 and BIO 112 General Biology I and II
- Physical Science- CHM 151 – General Chemistry I and CHM 152 – General Chemistry II
- English III- ENG 111 and ENG 112 and ENG 231/232 American Literature I or II
- English IV- ENG 111 and ENG 112 and ENG 241/242 British Literature I or II
- Fourth Math- MAT 143 Quantitative Literacy or MAT 152 Statistical or MAT 171 Precalculus Alg.

★ All other RCC courses that are 3 semester hours or higher, will count as 1 elective credit

(12 elective credits required for graduation)



What Else You Should Know....

- Private colleges/universities in NC or any out of state colleges do NOT have to accept your college credits earned at RCC; only the 16 NC public schools and 30 private colleges/universities fall under the agreement
 - Must earn a C or better in RCC courses in order for them to transfer
 - Wake Forest, Duke University, Davidson College accept *very limited* credits
- If you choose to apply as a transfer applicant after completing your Associate's degree, you will not be eligible for any "first year" scholarship opportunities
 - Depending on which 4-year institution you attend, credits earned at RCC may only transfer as an "elective" credit. Selection of classes at RCC should be made with your college/university of interest in mind.

Soaring Eagles Expectations

- ★ RCC courses are *college courses* and are taught at an advanced level
 - Expect a higher workload and classes moving at a faster pace
 - Students can take classes in person at RCC or online
- ★ Grades earned in RCC courses **will be** reflected on your high school transcript AND your college transcript
 - Grades earned can impact financial aid eligibility once you graduate high school
- ★ Transportation to and from RCC classes is the responsibility of the student



Soaring Eagles Expectations

- ★ High school students taking RCC courses are NOT provided any special accommodations and are treated like college students.
 - Attendance Policies
 - Deadlines and Grading
 - Academic Probation/Suspension (Must maintain a 2.0 GPA in college courses or you will be placed on academic probation at RCC for a minimum of one semester)
 - UCA staff does NOT have access to course material or grades until end of semester transcripts are received
- ★ **Parents/Guardians do not have access to any RCC enrollment information for their student due to FERPA**



Expectations for Online Classes

- Students interested in taking online courses should:
 - Be self-disciplined with strong time management skills
 - Regularly check email and log in to classes *every day*
 - Communicate regularly with instructors especially about upcoming absences or illness
 - Have a history of meeting deadlines for assignments and rarely turning in assignments late
- Online courses do not have a required live instruction component. Online quizzes and tests are proctored, webcams are required.

Common Questions

1. Can I begin RCC courses prior to my junior year?
 - a. No, currently students are limited to taking RCC classes in their junior and senior years only. (fall, spring, and summer terms for 2 years)
2. Does English 111 meet the English 3 or English 4 graduation requirement?
 - a. No. English 231/232 counts as English 3 and Eng 241/242 meet Eng 4 graduation requirements however these courses require completion of English 111 and 112 first.
3. How important is it to complete a full associate's degree while I'm still in high school?
 - a. See next slide for Pros/Cons

If you complete a full Associate's Degree....

1. Enrolling at a 4-year University immediately after high school with a full associate's degree mean you will likely have to declare your major during your first semester of college!
 - a. What happens if you are unsure of what you want to major in?
2. The more credits you take at RCC without knowing where you want to go to school or what you want to study, the higher the chance that you will take classes that do not benefit you in the long run (credit and content-wise).
3. Potential of graduating college at the age of 20! What are the job prospects at that age?
4. Will likely have most of your classes with students who are 2-3 years older than you when you enter college after graduating.

Next Steps...

1. Verify you have an unweighted GPA of at least 2.8 or have achieved high enough scores on an accepted college readiness assessment
2. Schedule a meeting with Mrs. Rabb.
3. Meet with Mrs. West or another advisor from RCC
 - a. RCC Advisors will be coming to campus on March 9th to begin registration forms
4. Please note: Just because a student requests a class at RCC on their request form, there is no guarantee the student will be enrolled in the class; enrollment is based on space availability in classes.
5. RCC Registration for the fall semester opens on April 24th. RCC Schedules will be emailed directly to the student in May.

Scheduling

- ★ Students must remain enrolled in at least 1 UCA class each semester in order to qualify for tuition free classes at RCC
- ★ Students pursuing UGETC should expect to take a minimum of 2 classes at RCC each semester in addition to meeting graduation requirements at UCA
- ★ Students pursuing an Associate's degree should expect to take a minimum of 4 classes at RCC each semester in addition to meeting graduation requirements at UCA.
- ★ Juniors must have at least 4 classes each semester between the 2 campuses; Seniors must have at least 3 classes in order to be full-time students
- ★ UCA will work with students as best we can to accommodate schedules at both campuses

Any Questions??

Please feel free to email or call me anytime!

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Additional Resource: Parent FAQ's can be found [here](#).