

Northwood Tech Advanced Standing

> Free college credits for high school students!

Earn high school credit and, if you meet the conditions identified in your high school's advanced standing agreement, you will be granted technical college credit after enrolling at Northwood Technical College.

> **Contact your High School Guidance Counselor to find the best college credit options for you!**



Frequently Asked Questions

> **What is an Advanced Standing course?**

Advanced Standing courses are taught in the high school by licensed teachers. Courses must meet 80% of Northwood Tech competencies. You may earn college credit upon successful course completion with a grade of "B" or better and enroll at Northwood Tech.

> **Are Advanced Standing courses really free?**

Thanks to a partnership with local school districts, the Advanced Standing program allows Northwood Tech to offer high school students the opportunity to earn college credits free of tuition and book costs. If the Advanced Standing course is full credit, it is free. Some are partial credit, so you may have to retake the class and only pay for credits unearned.

> **Why take an Advanced Standing course?**

By taking Advanced Standing courses, you may save money on college, get your degree faster, and begin earning your career salary sooner!

> **Who is eligible to take an Advanced Standing course?**

As with Dual Credit, high school sophomores, juniors, or seniors are eligible, depending on the courses offered.

> **How do I qualify for Advanced Standing credit?**

When you satisfactorily complete a class that is covered by an Advanced Standing agreement you will be issued an Advanced Standing Certificate by your high school. When enrolling in a Northwood Tech program, present the certificate to be awarded the credits you have earned.

> **What Advanced Standing courses are available at my high school?**

Visit NorthwoodTech.edu/HS-Advanced-Standing-Courses for a list of classes available at your school.

> **How do Advanced Standing courses benefit me?**

When you enroll in a program at Northwood Tech, credit for those Advanced Standing courses can be applied toward your technical college degree.

> **Will I benefit if I don't attend Northwood Tech?**

The Advanced Standing Certificate may be beneficial if you choose to attend another college within the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) or a college that offers a course similar in content to the Northwood Tech course for which you earned your certificate. Please check with your college of choice to verify transferability.

> **What if I decide to earn a 4-year degree?**

Wisconsin technical colleges are continually developing articulation agreements with both private and public 4-year institutions. These agreements allow technical college associate degree graduates to receive credits toward baccalaureate degrees in participating institutions.

> **How do I learn about opportunities at my high school?**

Begin with your high school counselor who has information about specific courses and programs available through Northwood Tech as well as other colleges within the system. Your counselor or class advisor can help you plan your education to best take advantage of all opportunities available through Northwood Tech and other colleges within the system.



Questions about how to start college in high school? Contact:

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Northwood Tech Dual Credit

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Dual enrollment programs such as Dual Credit courses help you prepare for the rigor of college courses as you develop technical skills for a multitude of careers. Research shows that students who participate in dual enrollment programs are more likely to:

- > Earn higher grades in high school
- > Graduate from high school
- > Enroll in postsecondary education
- > Earn a postsecondary degree

dpi.wi.gov/dual-enrollment



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> What is a Dual Credit course?

Dual Credit courses are taught in the high school by high school instructors certified to teach college curriculum. Dual Credit courses use 100% of Northwood Tech curriculum, learning competencies, grading policies, and textbooks. Students earn both high school and Northwood Tech credit upon successful course completion with a grade of "C" or better.

> Are Dual Credit courses really free?

Yes! Thanks to a partnership with local school districts, the Dual Credit program allows Northwood Tech to offer high school students the opportunity to earn college credits free of tuition and book costs.

> Why take a Dual Credit course?

By taking Dual Credit courses, you can save money on college, get your degree faster, and begin earning your career salary sooner!

> Who is eligible to take a Dual Credit course?

High school sophomores, juniors, or seniors are eligible, depending on the courses offered.

> What Dual Credit courses are available at my high school?

Visit NorthwoodTech.edu/HS-Dual-Credit-Courses for a list of classes available at your school.

> Should I take a Dual Credit course if I am not planning to attend Northwood Tech?

Absolutely. Many Dual Credit courses transfer to other colleges, particularly other Wisconsin technical colleges. Some courses may also transfer to a four-year college. Even if the course does not satisfy a particular degree requirement at your college, it may count toward an elective or general education requirement.

> How do I sign up for a Dual Credit course?

To receive Dual Credit, students must submit a Northwood Tech registration form provided by the teacher at the start of the course. Credit will not be given retroactively.

> Do I need to provide my social security number to register for a Dual Credit course?

Yes. Northwood Tech requests social security numbers because it accurately identifies students and ensures there is no duplication of student records.

> What if I am not satisfied with the grade I am earning in a Dual Credit course?

Dual Credit grades are on your permanent college transcript so it's important to do as well as you can in the course. Any student earning below a grade of "C" can submit a request to the teacher to have the dual credit registration dropped before 80% of the course is completed.

> How do I receive Dual Credit if I will be attending Northwood Tech after high school?

If you submitted a Northwood Tech registration form and earned a passing grade, the course title and grade will be posted on your Northwood Tech transcript. Because you have already earned those credits you do not need to retake the course!

> How do I know if a Dual Credit course will transfer to another college?

Transferability of Dual Credit courses is at the discretion of each higher education institution. Visit NorthwoodTech.edu/transcript to request an official transcript through our online ordering service. The pricing and payment options are listed. Visit NorthwoodTech.edu/academic-programs/options-after-Northwood-Tech/transfer-options for more information.



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