

Recommendations for Running Start Students

Plan what courses you will take and when.

Plan the anticipated classes you will take for both years much like you do with the 4 year and beyond plan at high school. This is important because for many college majors, a sequence of courses must be taken in a particular order and the classes are not offered every quarter. It also helps you balance the work load between each of the quarters. The courses listed in the plan do not need to be taken in a particular quarter-- it is just to help make good course choices.

Work hard at being a good student-

Attend class regularly-- you are unlikely to be successful in Running Start if you miss class. Turn in all assignments. Even though nobody is checking-- keep up with your reading assignments. Remember, these are your college grades and they will follow you to your university. It is better to take a small number of credits and do well than to take a lot of credits and get low grades.

Talk with your instructors-

Make sure you understand all that is expected on an assignment. If something comes up such as illness or a family emergency, talk with your instructor-- they will often work with you if they are aware when it happens. Just don't wait until the end of the quarter-- it will be too late in most cases.