# MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MANKATO

## What is PSEO?



Post-Secondary Enrollment Option (PSEO) is a program that allows eligible 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students to earn college credit while still in high school. Students will earn both high school and college credit simultaneously.

Learn more about PSEO by watching this <u>video</u> or reviewing the information provided in this document.

## What is PSEO?

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- Post-Secondary Enrollment Option: allows high school students the opportunity to take college-level classes.
- Students earn both high school and college-level credit simultaneously.
- Through PSEO, students may take courses:
  - o On the MSU Campus
  - At their high school (if available)



## What are the Benefits of PSEO?

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- Helps students prepare for the rigor and speed of post-secondary courses
- A chance to transition to college with the support of a familiar home environment
- Opportunity for high school students to earn university credit at no cost
- Introduces new cultures to prepare students for a global society
- Promotes self-advocacy
- Access to university resources



# What is Financially Covered?

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#### What's covered?

- Tuition
- Textbooks

#### What's not covered?

- Transportation to campus
- Parking permit
- University meal plan
- Textbooks not returned by the due date
- Basic school supplies (notebooks, pens)
- Computers/laptops
- Extra/cocurricular activity fees



# Minnesota State University, Mankato

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- 4-year public university
- 14,000 students
  - 1,300 international students
- 20:1 student to faculty ratio
- 900 service faculty
- Division I and Division II athletic teams
- Abundance of resources to help you succeed:
  - Center for Academic Success
  - Career Development Center
  - Student Activities Center
  - PSEO Office





## **How Can Students Be Admitted?**

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#### • Seniors:

- Rank in the top 50% of their high school class (minimum ACT required) OR
- Maintain at or above a 3.0 cumulative GPA (on a 4.0 scale) (minimum ACT required) OR
- o Achieve a 21 or higher composite score on the ACT (minimum GPA required)

#### • Juniors:

- o Must rank in the top 1/3 of their high school class OR
- Maintain at or above a 3.3 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) OR
- Achieve a 24 or higher composite score on the ACT (minimum GPA required)

#### Home School Students:

- o Seniors must have a composite ACT score of 21 or higher
- o Juniors must have a composite ACT score of 24 or higher

<sup>\*\*</sup>ACT scores are currently being waived through Fall of 2022.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Admission is automatic, there is no appeal process for PSEO.

## What Does the Admission Process Look Like?

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- Students need to submit the following information to be considered for Concurrent Enrollment:
  - o An application to campus: mnsu.edu/apply
  - Current high school transcripts
  - Minnesota Department Notice of Student Registration form
  - ACT test results (if applicable)
- Fall semester application deadline: July 15
- Spring semester application deadline: December 1



## What Does the Orientation & Enrollment Process Look Like?

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- Self-paced online orientation.
- Registration for fall: end of July early August
- Registration for spring: middle of December
- PSEO students will work with a university academic advisor during their time in the program to determine class selection for upcoming semesters.
- Students will register for classes on e-services.
- Registration guarantees a student college credit.
- Without registering, students will not receive credit for the class.



## Timeline: Fall Start

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Students interested in taking fall classes should complete the application process months ahead of time.

### Provide below is the recommended timeline for applying and class registration:

- March May: apply for admission
- July August: class registration

Students should plan to apply months ahead of time is because it will take time for the University Admissions Department to process the hundreds of applications that come in during that time for concurrent enrollment.

- Being proactive about the application process is important.
- After a student has been accepted and they've gone through the online orientation, they can register for classes in late July, prior to classes starting.

# **Timeline: Spring Start**

Video Time: 6:08 - 6:33

Students interested in taking fall classes should complete the application process months ahead of time.

## Provide below is the recommended timeline for applying and class registration:

- August October: apply for admission
- January February: class registration

Students should plan to apply months ahead of time is because it will take time for the University Admissions Department to process the hundreds of applications that come in during that time for concurrent enrollment.

- Being proactive about the application process is important.
- After a student has been accepted and they've gone through the online orientation, they can register for classes in mid-December, prior to classes starting.

# **University Resources**

<u>Memorial Library</u> - utilize the online library for resources regarding journal articles, newspapers, books, eBooks, streaming videos, and more.

<u>Center for Academic Success</u> – schedule a <u>virtual appointment</u> with an academic tutor for subjects ranging from math, science, business to English, writing, and languages. Students will learn how they can provide their study habits, acquire more effective academic skills, and achieve better grades.

<u>Career Development Center</u> - learn how to build your resume, search for part-time jobs, practice mock interviews, attend job fairs, and more through the Career Development Center!

<u>Accessibility Resources</u> – connect with the Accessibility Resources Center if you need accommodations for a course. Services routinely provided include alternative testing (including extended time, distraction free, scribes, readers), note-taking, assistive technology, sign language interpreting, text in alternate format, priority registration, alternative housing accommodations, and advocacy. Other accommodations may be available in response to individual needs.

See also: <u>Diversity & Inclusion</u>, <u>LGBT Center</u>, <u>Women's Center</u>, <u>Counseling Center</u>.

# **PSEO/Concurrent Enrollment Office**

Video Time: 6:35 - 7:09

- Concurrent Enrollment Advisors help with:
  - Referrals
  - Understanding general education requirements
  - Class selection/recommendations
  - Trouble-shooting registration problems
  - Transferring credits





# **Transferring Credits**

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- Concurrent enrollment is an excellent opportunity for students to work ahead and complete general education credits.
- MSU, Mankato is a part of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum or MnTC, which is a 40-credit package of general education courses.
  - The credits will transfer to any Minnesota State College
    university, the University of Minnesota Campuses, and some private colleges.
  - Students can work with their concurrent enrollment advisor to determine how classes would transfer to outof-state schools and they can use <u>transferology.com</u> to find out on their own too!



