



Welcome to Suffolk County Community College

As the largest community college in the SUNY system, the College has:

- Campuses in Brentwood, Selden and Riverhead – and downtown centers in Sayville and Riverhead
- Approximately 100 degree and certificate programs, as well as articulation agreements and dual admissions with many local and nationally renowned four-year schools
- Affordable, quality higher education delivered in small class settings led by faculty with credentials from many of the country's most acclaimed institutions
- A wide range of academic support services provided to ensure student success

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The Early College Program

A Unique Program That Allows High School Juniors and Seniors to Enroll at Suffolk County Community College and Earn College Credits



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The Early College Program

The Early College Program (ECP) at Suffolk County Community College provides an opportunity for academically talented high school juniors and seniors to begin earning course credit on a college campus, in classes taught by college professors, while still enrolled in high school. SUNY Suffolk's program is rigorous, yet supportive — a perfect combination for individuals who are driven to achieve academic success and who desire to engage in study that expands upon high school offerings. Participants earn credit in a variety of core liberal arts and science courses related to their intended major. Students also have the option to take a sequence of courses within a particular curriculum of interest. Advising and program coordination is provided by the staff of the ECP, ensuring that the students receive sufficient guidance and personal attention.

The Benefits of the ECP

- Qualified high school students experience college-level work by attending classes taught by SUNY Suffolk professors alongside other college students.
- Students practice the skills necessary to be successful in college.
- Classes are scheduled to meet the needs of the school district and the student during the fall and spring semesters.
- ECP courses supplement, not duplicate, that which is offered in the participating high school.
- Students have the ability to choose courses that meet their areas of interest or potential fields of future study.
- Students can earn up to 24 college credits which can be transferred, with a grade of C or better, to some of the most respected colleges in the country, where some former participants have been awarded generous scholarships.
- The academic challenge of these courses prepares students for advanced standing at SUNY Suffolk, where many participants choose to complete their first degree. ECP students are strong candidates for both scholarships and admission into Suffolk's Honors Program.
- An official college transcript reflecting courses completed, as well as grades and credits earned, can be mailed to other colleges or employers, at the student's request.
- Students have the opportunity to request letters of recommendation from faculty.
- Students receive all these benefits for a fraction of the College's current tuition and fees, saving themselves and parents/guardians thousands of dollars.
- ECP reduced tuition can only be applied during the fall, spring and summer semesters. ECP students who take courses during the wintersession are not eligible for reduced tuition.

Applying for the ECP

- Academically eligible sophomores or juniors will receive a letter of invitation from their high school guidance personnel in the early spring.
- Application forms are made available in the high school guidance office. Students complete and submit the application along with a writing sample on the topic of why they desire to be a member of the SUNY Suffolk ECP.
- Transcripts and recommendations are submitted by the high school.
- Students must have an 85+ unweighted average in high school courses inclusive of those relevant to the course into which they want to enroll.
- Students are notified of the decision of the College on their admission.

College Study for Students from Other High Schools

Some Suffolk County school districts do not have a formal ECP agreement with the College. Students from those schools are often eligible to take college courses at a Suffolk campus. After a placement exam and application, they are accepted as non-matriculated students by the campus Admissions Office. Students pay the full tuition cost, which is substantially lower than many colleges and universities.

