

Frequently Asked Questions

Concurrent Enrollment UCA Registrar's Office-Harrin Hall 222-B 201 Donaghey Avenue Conway, AR 72035

Who is eligible to apply for concurrent enrollment at UCA?

To participate in the Concurrent Enrollment Program at UCA, Students must meet the following requirements to be eligible to enroll in courses:

- 1. Must be a student at a partner high school. See the list of this year's partnering schools at: <u>https://uca.edu/registrar/concurrent-enrollment-program/</u>
- 2. Students must complete the University of Central Arkansas Admissions Application.
- 3. Students must complete the Concurrent Enrollment Application Form and Consent Form.
- 4. All students must submit documentation showing they meet the following academic requirements:
 - a. Transcript showing a cumulative grade point of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
 - An ACT Reading Score of at least 19 or SAT / PSAT / Accuplacer equivalent
 - If taking English or Math students must ALSO have an ACT score of at least 19 in the corresponding subject or alternative test equivalent
- 5. Must meet all course prerequisites

Are the credits transferable?

As with any other UCA course, it is up to the receiving institution as to which credits will be accepted for transfer. Visit the Arkansas Course Transfer System on the ADHE website to check the transferability of courses within the state of Arkansas: <u>https://adhe.edu/students-parents/transfer-info-for-students</u>

Will my enrollment in Concurrent Credits in high school affect my college scholarship eligibility?

Upon graduation from high school, students who have received concurrent credit must go through the regular admission process and will be classified as an entering freshman at the college they wish to attend. Therefore, they will be eligible for scholarships as any entering freshmen.

What if I transfer to another High School or need to withdraw from the course?

You will need to drop the UCA course by filling out a UCA Concurrent Enrollment Drop Form. (Withdrawing from classes at your high school does not automatically drop you from a UCA course.) Your high school counselor's office will have a copy of the drop form or you can fill out and print the form from the UCA Concurrent Credit Enrollment Program which can be found on the Registrar's web page at http://uca.edu/registrar/forms/#concurrent. Return the form to your concurrent enrollment courses are college courses and will create a permanent academic record so dropping/withdrawing is much better than receiving an "F" grade that will follow you throughout college.

Do I have a UCA account, student ID, or access to myUCA?

At the beginning of the semester, the Concurrent Enrollment coordinator will provide each student with an admission letter which will include a username, password, and student ID number. UCA will also provide a Concurrent Student ID card. This information will provide access to your account and the ID card will give you access to institutional resources such as the library and academic advising. The UCA I.D. number will be the same throughout a student's college career here at UCA should you decide to become a full-time student after high school graduation.

To access myUCA (student portal):

- Go to http://uca.edu/
- At the top right-hand corner of the webpage click on myUCA which takes you to the Login page.
- Enter your network ID and PIN/Password provided on your admission letter.

Access to myUCA will allow you to see if you are enrolled in the correct classes, check grades, view unofficial transcripts and fill out an evaluation of the course. If you pursue your college career here at UCA this account will be used extensively throughout your time on campus.

What is the cost to the student for concurrent credit?

All Concurrent Enrollment students will be charged \$10.00 per credit hour for each course they take. To determine how much will be charged check the second digit of the course number. (Example: Charges will be \$30.00 for MATH 2311, PHYS 1410 charges will be \$40.00)

Students will be billed by UCA. The bill will be mailed to the student's home address after the drop/add deadline given by the Registrar. An e-bill may also be sent to their UCA email account. Failure to pay for the course will result in late fees and a "student account hold". Students who have holds will not be allowed to enroll in future courses or receive transcripts for the courses they have previously taken.

Payment Options: https://uca.edu/studentaccounts/payment-options/

How do I access library resources off campus?

Off-campus users will need to access databases from the library webpage and will be prompted to log in using their myUCA username and password provided on their admission letter.

Will I have a college advisor?

Concurrent Enrollment Students will continue to work with their high school counselor/coordinator. However, UCA Academic Advising Center has an assigned advisor for concurrently enrolled students that can answer questions or meet with students by appointment. If you have general questions please contact the UCA Concurrent Enrollment Coordinator at (501) 852-7407 or email concurrent@uca.edu or to set up an appointment with an advisor.

If you choose to attend UCA after High School, once admitted, you will need to register for orientation. UCA encourages all freshmen to attend an in-person <u>Summer Orientation and Registration experience (SOAR)</u>, but if you cannot attend please contact the SOAR office for alternative options at <u>soar@uca.edu</u> or 501-450-5892.

How will concurrent credits affect my college career?

Concurrent enrollment is a way for students to get a head start on their academic careers. Students work toward completing the core requirements while simultaneously working on their high school graduation.

Students should be aware that choosing a college major is a big choice and those with 30 or more hours of concurrent enrollment credits may find that they must jump right into upper-division courses during their

first year on campus. Some students are very clear about their passions and know exactly what they want to major in from day one. The majority of students, however, are not so certain. Career Services on the UCA campus is available to concurrent enrollment students and will help students identify interests and explore careers in order to make academic decisions both now and in the future. http://uca.edu/career/

Meeting with an advisor is also a great step toward selecting a major. If you are interested in talking with an advisor, please contact the UCA Concurrent Enrollment Coordinator at (501) 852-7407 or email concurrent@uca.edu for more information.