Early Entry Admission

The Early Entry Program allows high school students to take courses at NDSU while still enrolled in high school. Students who are in their junior year of high school and have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher are ideal candidates for the program. Early Entry students pay a reduced tuition and fees rate.

Students are encouraged to begin the application process at least one month prior to the semester they wish to take classes. See the Early Entry Admission Procedures (https://www.ndsu.edu/admission/how_to_apply/early_entry_program/) to ensure all necessary steps are completed. Students are required to participate in a brief orientation session with an admission representative following registration. To begin enrollment as an Early Entry student, contact the Office of Admission (https://www.ndsu.edu/admission/contact/).

Dual Credit Admission

Dual Credit allows high school students to earn both high school and college credit through a college course offered through NDSU. It is for North Dakota high school students, who are enrolled in grades 10, 11, and 12 and who have permission from their school's administrator. A GPA of 3.0 or higher is recommended. Dual Credit students pay a subsidized tuition rate. See NDSU’s dual credit website (https://www.ndsu.edu/otl/programs/dual_credit/) for additional information about tuition and fees.

Students who are interested in dual credit should first speak with their high school counselor or principal to determine academic readiness to participate in a college-level class. A high school counselor or principal can assist students in getting enrolled in a dual-credit course. Students are encouraged to begin the application process at least one month prior to the semester they wish to take classes. See the Dual Credit Admission form (https://ndsu.force.com/onlineapplication/TX_SiteLogin/?startURL=%2Fonlineapplication%2FTargetX_Portal__PB). Students from outside of North Dakota cannot enroll as a dual credit student but may be eligible for Early Entry (https://www.ndsu.edu/admission/how_to_apply/early_entry_program/). Additional questions can be directed to the Office of Teaching and Learning (https://www.ndsu.edu/otl/).

International Students Early Entry or Dual Credit Admission

International student applicants attending high school in the United States, who are interested in either of these options, should first begin by contacting the international undergraduate admission team in the Office of International Student & Study Abroad Services (https://www.ndsu.edu/international/about/contact/).