

## Frequently Asked Questions about Post-Secondary Education Options

### What is PSEO?

Post-secondary Education Options is an opportunity for eligible high school students to enroll in college or university courses that earn credits simultaneously for both their high school diploma and their college degree. In 1985, the Minnesota Legislature passed Minnesota Statute 124D.09 to promote rigorous course taking and improve student transitions to postsecondary education.

### What is concurrent enrollment?

Concurrent enrollment is a college or university course taught by a credentialed high school instructor and mentored by a college or university faculty member at a high school.

### Am I eligible for PSEO or concurrent enrollment?

Eligibility requirements for PSEO or concurrent enrollment at a MinnState campus are:

- High school juniors must have a 3.0 grade point average or be in the upper one-third of their class or score at or above the 70th percentile on a test, such as the ACT or SAT.
- Seniors must have a 2.5 grade point average or be in the upper one-half of their class or score at or above the 50th percentile on the ACT or SAT. Colleges and universities may admit students based on other documentation of ability to perform college-level work. Students need to meet prerequisite requirements of the course. The college or university makes the final determination on a student's readiness.
- High school sophomores may enroll in a career or technical education course at a MinnState college or university if they have attained a passing score or met the 8th grade standard on the 8th grade Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment in reading and meet the other course prerequisites or course enrollment standards established by the college. These standards include but are not limited to assessment test scores, program admission or other requirements.
  - If a sophomore receives a grade of C or better in the course, the student shall be allowed to take additional career or technical education courses in subsequent terms.
  - A student who first enrolls under this provision while in 10th grade and wishes to enroll in general education courses as an 11th or 12th grade student must take the system Assessment for Course Placement and achieve the required scores prior to enrollment.
  - Campuses may require 10th grade-eligible PSEO students who wish to enroll in a career and technical course to meet with a college counselor or advisor to plan the student's course taking.