

Dual Enrollment/Honors Program at Fourth Baptist Christian School

2025-2026

Purpose To offer college-bound junior/senior students the opportunity to advance their education with a greater opportunity for college rigor courses and credit-earning potential while maintaining a Bible-centered philosophy of education.

Qualifications Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA, test at the 60th percentile on achievement testing and/or score at least a 900 on their PSAT test during their sophomore or junior year.

Key Terms

Dual Enrollment (DE) or Dual Credit (DC): a program that allows high school students to take college courses and earn high school *and* college credit while still enrolled in high school

Honors Program or College Track: advanced courses that challenge students to explore subjects more deeply and at a faster pace than regular classes. They are usually reserved for students who excel in certain subjects and are designed to prepare them for college-level coursework. Honors classes can help students develop critical thinking skills, effective study habits, and a strong work ethic.

Notice of Student Registration Form (NOSR): A PSEO application form for student PSEO registration in Minnesota; NOSR must be completed for each semester by an eligible student, signed by the student's parent or guardian (if the student is under the age of 18), and signed by Guidance Counselor. Starting in the Fall 2025, this form will be completed electronically.

- For the Fall 2025 – the NOSR must be completed by May 30th
- For the Spring 2026 – the NOSR must be completed by October 30th

Key Institutions

Faith Baptist Bible College (FBBC): FBBC is a private Christian college located in Ankeny, Iowa; www.faith.edu

University of Northwestern St. Paul (UNWSP): UNWSP is a private Christian college located in Roseville, MN; www.unwsp.edu

Guidance Counselor: Mr. Jared Page | jpage@fourthbaptist.org | 763-417-8240

Dual Enrollment/Honors Program

Qualified students will be enrolled in the Honors track for their junior and/or senior years at FBCS. Students may opt out of the track at the end of any semester and rejoin the regular high school program.

Since students will be receiving dual high school and college credits, current high school grade point averages and rankings will be used to determine eligibility for the program

FBBC courses will be taught by a live teacher on our FBCS campus, and the University of Northwestern courses will be taken online and on-site at Fourth Baptist Christian School during the normal school day schedule. Students will earn college credits and a transcript of courses taken and grades earned from UNWSP and FBBC are recorded by each institution.

Estimated total college credits earned in the Honors program: 20-27 credit hours.

COSTS

- FBBC course offerings are \$125 per credit hour plus the cost of any books.
- UNWSP course offerings are free to Minnesota students

CREDIT TRANSFER:

Parents and students are encouraged to check with college/university programs before enrolling in the Dual Enrollment/Honors Program. It is up to the admitting college/university programs to determine acceptance of credits from the University of Northwestern/St. Paul and Faith Baptist Bible College. Both institutions are regionally accredited. FBCS is accredited by the American Association of Christian Schools (AACCS).

TO SIGN UP:

- Current FBCS Sophomores/First Time PSEO Students: Meet with the Guidance Counselor by **Friday, May 9th** to confirm eligibility and to give notice of intent to apply.
- Continuing FBCS Honors Program Students: FBCS will assume your continuance in the Honors Program unless you notify the Guidance Counselor otherwise.
- New FBCS Students: Meet with Guidance Counselor ASAP to confirm eligibility and to give notice of intent to apply.

FAITH BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE – HONORS BIBLE

Honors Bible Classes offered this year are: New Testament Survey & Intro to Bible Study

- FBCS will register students with FBBC, which includes providing FBBC with parent and student personal contact information.
- New Students – the student will receive an email from FBBC to set up their online student account. This account gives access to the student's FBBC email/class platform.
- Continuing Students – You will automatically be enrolled in each class unless you inform FBCS otherwise.
- All Students - Must complete the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 form online. Current 11th grade Honors Bible students may complete this form anytime. 10th grade students should wait until FBCS has registered the student with Faith and the student account is set up.
<https://faith.populiweb.com/router/forms/respond/18/e2383cbd3c3ac79410d39acdf399c725>

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHWESTERN

Current FBCS Sophomores

1. Complete the UNW online application at <https://www.unwsp.edu>.
 - a. Under **Academics** select **PSEO & Early College Programs**.
 - b. Select **PSEO Program**, scroll down to **Enrollment Process**, click **Application Details**.
 - c. Review the questions asked. If you can answer "Yes" to these questions, then select **Application** under "New Students."
 - d. First Time Users will need to **Create an Account**.
2. Complete the New Student Admissions Application.
3. Complete the NOSR form.
 - a. Student will need to enter their Parent's name/email for approval (if under 18).
 - b. Student will need to enter the Guidance Counselor's name/email (see page 1).
4. The NOSR will be sent to the student's parent/guardian and FBCS Guidance Counselor to sign electronically.
5. Upon UNW approval the student will be notified via mail. Students will be given details of setting up their UNW account/email.
6. Once the NOSR has been processed, the student will be notified via email and can then register for fall course(s). Online courses are available for viewing here:
<https://www.unwsp.edu/admissions/pseo-early-college/pseo/>
 - a. When registering for courses, students must make sure to select the correct term, "Fall 2025."
 - b. Search for your desired course by name/course # and be sure to select the Online course (not in-person). Many courses have several sections so there may be various options to choose from.

- c. **By Friday, June 13**, report to the Guidance Counselor the course(s) you have registered for: screen shot your class list and email.

Current FBCS Honors Students

1. The NOSR form and instructions will be sent to the student's UNW email when it is available.
2. Students should complete the form, entering their parent's name/email and Guidance Counselor's name/email.
3. Once processed, register for the fall course (s) when it opens (see dates below).
4. By **Friday, June 13**, report to the Guidance Counselor the course(s) you have registered for: screen shot your class list and send an email.

Deadlines for UNWSP – Fall Semester:

- Application for PSEO: due by August 1st
*(keep in mind the NOSR is due **May 30th** – do not delay in applying for the Fall or you may be responsible to pay for PSEO costs)*
- Class registration opens: April 18, 2025
- Semester dates: August 27– December 20, 2025
- Last day to drop/add: TBD

Deadlines for UNWSP – Spring Semester:

- Current students: Fill out NOSR (check your UNW email) and submit ASAP.
- New students: Application for PSEO opens: August 16; apply by December 15, 2025
- Class Registration opens: TBD
- Semester dates: TBD

Dual Enrollment/Honors Program at Fourth Baptist Christian School for International Students (I-20)

Dual Enrollment at Faith Baptist Bible College – students may enroll in the FBBC Honors Bible courses described in the previous section.

Dual Enrollment at UNWSP

The Minnesota Department of Education states *"if a student is living in a district solely for education purposes, the student would be considered a non-Minnesota resident and not be eligible for PSEO."* (MDE Postsecondary PSEO Reference Guide, pg. 14)

The **University of Northwestern** still offers college courses that International Students are eligible to take through their Early College Program. The online college courses are offered at a discounted rate. For the Fall 2025, the cost is \$270 per credit + technology fee (TBD) + cost of books (TBD).

New Students:

- 1) Meet with Guidance Counselor to determine eligibility for the Early College program.
 - a. High School GPA of at least 2.75
 - b. Meet one of UNWSP standardized testing requirements (optional):
 - i. ACT or PreACT score of at least 18
 - ii. PSAT or SAT score of at least 940
 - iii. *More standardized score options are listed on the UNWSP website*
 - c. Junior or Senior in high school
- 2) Apply online at UNWSP
<https://www.unwsp.edu/admissions/pseo-early-college/early-college/>
 - a. This includes the following supplemental items: high school transcript, standardized test scores (optional). These items need to be sent to admissionsde@unwsp.edu
 - b. International students who are not native English speakers will need to submit a TOEFL score (Test of English as a Foreign Language).
- 3) Students will receive an email with a link to view acceptance status; if accepted, students will receive communication how to access their UNW account.
- 4) Deadlines:
 - a. Fall 2025 – application is open, application deadline is August 1st
 - b. Courses may be registered after April 18th.
- 5) Register for courses: <https://my.unw.edu/external/pages/online-course-offerings>
- 6) All course fees must be paid before classes are opened for student to access.

Sample Schedules

Junior Year – 1st Semester

- New Testament Survey – FBBC dual credit [*satisfies FBCS Bible*]
- Historical Perspectives HIS 1005 – UNWSP dual credit [*satisfies FBCS World History*]
- Chemistry – *required FBCS course*
- GTA 3 (Trigonometry) or other FBCS math – *required FBCS course*
- English/Lit – *required FBCS course*
- Music – Choir required for Honors Track (Band and Bells available)
- College Class Work Hour
- FBCS Elective Course Offering

Senior Year – 1st Semester

- Old Testament Law, History, and Poetry – FBBC Dual Credit [*satisfies FBCS Bible*]
- Speech/British Literature
- Music: Choir –required for the Honors track (Band/Bells available)
- Calculus or UNWSP class of choice
- Physics or UNWSP class of choice
- Economics – or UNWSP Principles of Economics
- College Class Work Hour
- FBCS Elective Course Offering

Junior Year – 2nd Semester

- Introduction to Bible Study – FBBC dual credit [*satisfies FBCS Bible*]
- UNWSP Class of Choice (i.e.: Intro to Psychology, Math for Liberal Arts...) [*satisfies FBCS Elective requirement*]
- Chemistry– *required FBCS course*
- GTA 3 (Trigonometry) or other FBCS math – *required FBCS course*
- English/Lit - *required FBCS course*
- Music – Choir required for Honors Track (Band and Bells available)
- College Class Work Hour
- FBCS Elective Course Offering

Senior Year – 2nd Semester

- Old Testament Prophets – FBBC Dual credit [*satisfies FBCS Bible*]
- FBCS British Literature or UNWSP Intro. to Literature – dual credit – LIT 1100 [*Satisfies FBCS English requirement for the 2nd semester only*]
- Music – Choir- required for Honors track (Band and Bells available)
- Calculus or UNSWPS class of choice
- Physics or UNWSP class of choice
- Government – *required FBCS course*
- College Class Work Hour
- FBCS Elective Course Offering

Dual Credit Courses Allowed: The classes below reflect college classes that may be taken for *dual credit* (meaning the college course satisfies FBCS requirement).

- Faith Baptist Bible College – Honors Bible classes taught on-site replace FBCS Bible.
- UNWSP:
 1. Historical Perspectives (HIS 1105) – replaces FBCS World History (11th grade)
 2. Intro to Literature (LIT 1100 in the Spring) – replaces 3rd/4th Quarter English 12
 3. Principles of Economics 1 (ECCO 2201) – replaces FBCS Economics

PSEO Courses – Other PSEO courses from UNWSP may be taken as the student's schedule allows, such as math courses, languages, literature, public speaking and more. These courses do not replace an FBCS required course, but rather are counted as electives for FBCS while earning college credit at UNWSP.

CLEP EXAMINATIONS

Students may CLEP out of courses during and in advance of college attendance. Visit <https://clep.collegeboard.org/> for more information and pricing.

CLEP Transfer: Parents and students are encouraged to check with college/university programs before enrolling in the Dual Enrollment/Honors program. It is up to the admitting college/university programs to determine the acceptance of credits. Your selected college/university programs will also have lists of available CLEP examinations for your consideration.

It is recommended that students who have attended FBCS for their four-year high school career and have done well in their English courses and who have completed at least GTA-3 should consider studying and taking the College Algebra and English CLEP tests.

FBCS is an approved CLEP testing site. Visit www.fourthbaptistchristianschool.org. Scroll down to **SCHEDULE A CLEP TEST** for available dates. Testing site administrative fee applies.

Subject: CLEP Testing at FBCS

Some students were asking about CLEP testing here at Fourth so I thought I would share the information with Junior/Senior students and their parents. If you take and pass the test for a certain subject, this can replace that class for you in college (you need a score of 50 out of 80 to receive credit).

I don't know the specifics of how this works with each college. So, do some research at the college you plan to attend for how this may work for you. This is a way in addition to PSEO that you can get some of your general classes taken care of. Be careful because there are limits set by each college for how many CLEP tests you can use and which classes they replace. Also, some of the CLEP tests may replace classes you have already done in PSEO so don't repeat these. In my recollection, we have had FBCS students take History of the US 1 & 2, Western Civ 1 & 2, Analyzing and Interpreting Literature, College Composition, College Algebra, Chemistry, and Spanish Language: Levels 1 & 2. Again, look into your college and what they accept for general classes you need.

I give tests on Wednesday afternoons (3:45-5:15 although we could start earlier since we are both in the building) during the school year. I switch to Tuesday and Thursday during the day in the summer (this haven't opened yet since I haven't looked at my summer schedule closely). If the times available on the website don't work for you, we can always talk and arrange something that would work for both of us.

Taking a CLEP test

- You must be registered for the CLEP test through the College Board - we cannot register you. More information on that process is found here: <https://clep.collegeboard.org/register> (use this link to purchase your CLEP ticket (most are \$95), I will need the number to log you into your specific test-either on paper or digitally)
- Use [this link](#) to schedule your upcoming CLEP session.
- Administrative Fee: \$35 cash or check (made out to FBCS)
- Please remember your government-issued identification; school ID cards are not acceptable

I would recommend some time studying for whichever exams you choose to take. It looks like there are some free resources to provide topics to study and some paid resources as well. Another option is to use [Modern States](#). This website gives you a course to work through (videos and practice to do). If you make it through the whole course, then Modern States provides you with the CLEP ticket (saving you \$95 and preparing you for the test, but a time commitment on your part).

-Mrs. Hank