

### Dual Enrollment Course Directory

#### What courses are available?

- Approved courses include:
  - Core academic areas (English, math, science, social studies and world/foreign languages) used in the high school HOPE Scholarship calculation
  - Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) courses aligned with the GaDOE Career Clusters and Pathways
  - The Course Directory lists all eligible courses by participating postsecondary institutions. Eligible courses per category are determined by the first two digits of high school course number. More information is available on the GAFutures Dual Enrollment Course Directory page.
- Course categories such as: fine arts, physical education and health are no longer eligible for Dual Enrollment funding.

### Funding Cap Eligibility

#### How many hours will be paid for by the Dual Enrollment funding Program?

- The Dual Enrollment Funding Cap is 30 semester or 45 quarter hours.
- The Funding Cap is a hard cap based on hours paid by the Dual Enrollment funding program for terms of enrollment (as invoiced by the postsecondary institutions).
- The Funding Cap does not include dual credit coursework attempted and paid by other sources.
- All first-time students, as of Summer term 2020 and beyond, are subject to the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap.
- Students who received Dual Enrollment funding for 18 semester/28 quarter or less hours, through Spring term 2020, are subject to the Funding Cap. For Summer Term 2020 and later, these students may receive funding for the remaining hours up to the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap of 30 semester or 45 quarter hours.

#### Examples:

- A student who received Dual Enrollment funding for 15 semester hours through Spring term 2020, may receive Dual Enrollment funding for 15 semester hours, Summer term 2020 and after.
- A student who has received Dual Enrollment funding for 24 quarter hours through Spring term 2020, may receive Dual Enrollment funding for 21 quarter hours, Summer term 2020 and after.
- Students who received Dual Enrollment funding for 19 semester/29 quarter or more hours through Spring term 2020, have a Funding Cap of an additional 12 semester hours or 18 quarter hours of funding.

#### Examples:

- A student who received Dual Enrollment funding for 19 semester hours through Spring term 2020, may receive Dual Enrollment funding for 12 semester hours, Summer term 2020 and after.
- A student who received Dual Enrollment funding for 29 quarter hours through Spring term 2020, may receive Dual Enrollment funding for 18 quarter hours, Summer term 2020 and after.

### Grade Level Eligibility

#### Who is eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment funding Program?

- Students who are enrolled and physically attending a participating eligible public or private high school in Georgia or an eligible participating home study program in Georgia may participate.

Dual Enrollment funding Program regulations do not supersede high school nor postsecondary policies, which students must abide by, in order to be eligible to participate in the program.

#### 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

- Students in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade are not eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment funding Program.

### 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Graders

- Eligible students may take any approved Dual Enrollment courses listed on the Course Directory, at an eligible participating postsecondary institution (USG, TCSG or private).

### 10<sup>th</sup> Graders

- All eligible 10<sup>th</sup> Graders may enroll in approved Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) courses listed on the Course Directory at a participating TCSG institution only.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Graders who have a minimum SAT score of 1200 or minimum ACT composite score of 26 in a single national test administration, may enroll in any approved courses listed on the Course Directory at a TCSG, USG or private eligible participating postsecondary institution.  
Note: GSFC must have the required test score(s) in the Dual Enrollment system prior to the student's Dual Enrollment funding Application being approved by the high school or home study.
- Students that were 9<sup>th</sup> graders during the 2019-2020 school year and participated in Dual Enrollment during the 2019-2020 (received funding for FY 2020) year may enroll as 10<sup>th</sup> graders in any approved Dual Enrollment courses listed on the Course Directory at any eligible participating postsecondary institution (USG, TCSG or private) for the 2020-2021 year.

### For Summer term, what grade level is a student?

- Grade level classification is determined by when the high school promotes the student.
  - If the high school promotes students at the end of spring term, then Summer term the students would be classified as the grade they are promoted to.
  - If the high school promotes students in July or August, then the Summer term the students are classified as the grade they were in during Spring. They are promoted effective Fall term.

### Would a student who completed 10<sup>th</sup> grade in the spring be eligible for Dual Enrollment funding as an 11<sup>th</sup> grader for the summer term?

- In order for a student, who completed 10<sup>th</sup> grade in the spring, to be eligible for Dual Enrollment funding as an 11<sup>th</sup> grader for the summer term, the student's high school or school system must have promoted the student to the 11<sup>th</sup> grade in their student information system by the first day of classes for the postsecondary institution's summer term. The high school must indicate on the student's Dual Enrollment funding application that the student will be an 11<sup>th</sup> grader for the summer term.

### High School Graduation Option B (formally known as SB2) Students

#### How is a student identified as pursuing High School Graduation Option B (SB2)?

- Students must be designated by their public high school as pursuing High School Graduation Option B (SB2).
- All new public high school students, designated by their high school, as pursuing High School Graduation Option B (SB2) starting Summer term 2020 or after are subject to the Funding Cap.
- Public high school students, designated by their high school, pursuing High School Graduation Option B (SB2) as of Spring term 2020, and having received Dual Enrollment funding as an Option B (SB2) student, may enroll in any approved Dual Enrollment courses at a TCSG, USG or private eligible participating postsecondary institution for their High School Graduation Option B program. They are not subject to the Funding Cap.

### Dual Enrollment funding Application

#### How does a student apply to participate in Dual Enrollment?

Click [here](#) to view a tutorial video of the application process

- The new annual application is available on GAfutures and may be completed by high school and home study students who are enrolled and physically attending a participating eligible public or private high school in Georgia or an eligible participating home study program in Georgia.

- First - Students must create a GAfutures account profile with their correct information (legal name, email address, home address, social security number and date of birth). If the student does not have a valid social security number, when creating a GAfutures account profile, they will be assigned a GAfutures temporary ID when completing a Dual Enrollment funding application.
- Second – Students select the Dual Enrollment funding Application for the 2020 – 2021 school year, the student's GAfutures account profile will prepopulate their demographic information. Within the application the student provides: a parent/guardian's email address for the parent/guardian to electronically complete the Dual Enrollment Participation Agreement and the colleges to attend for Dual Enrollment. The student will receive an onscreen and email message with their application ID upon submission of the application.
- Third – parents/guardians must complete the Dual Enrollment funding Participation Agreement. An email will be sent to the parent with instructions to access and complete the agreement electronically. If the parent/guardian cannot complete the online agreement they can visit [GAfutures.org\DE Parent Agreement](http://GAfutures.org\DE Parent Agreement) to access the paper agreement.

### Dual Enrollment funding

#### What is covered by the Dual Enrollment funding award?

The award amounts listed in the 2020-2021 Program Regulations are the amounts from FY 2020 and are not official award amounts. The 2020-2021 (FY 2021) award amounts have yet to be determined.

- The specific Dual Enrollment award amount will vary based on the postsecondary institution and the number of credit hours in which a student is enrolled in approved Dual Enrollment courses.
- The approved award rates to be paid for Tuition, Mandatory Fees, and Book costs are annually published and subject to change each year.
- Dual Enrollment funding is available for the per term maximum of 15 semester or 12 quarter hours and a maximum of three semesters or four quarters per school year based on approved enrollment with a completed Dual Enrollment funding application as long as the student meets all eligibility requirements.
- Dual Enrollment funding is available up to the student's high school graduation or home study completion date or the 30 semester or 45 quarter hours Funding Cap, whichever occurs first.

#### While receiving Dual Enrollment funding, will the student have to pay for anything?

- Students may incur expenses for course related fees and supplies required for a particular course or optional fee charged by the postsecondary institution. If the postsecondary institution provided the textbooks through a lending program, the student may be charged a lost or damaged book fee, up to \$75 or the cost of the book, whichever is less, if the book is not returned in the required condition.

#### What charges are students responsible for when they are receiving Dual Enrollment Funding?

- Upon reaching the Funding Cap, the Eligible Postsecondary Institution may charge tuition and a prorated portion of the Mandatory Fees and book costs, based on credit hours not covered by Dual Enrollment funding.
- Students are responsible for charges as a result of hours which are not covered by the Dual Enrollment funding program such as continuing to enroll in dual enrollment coursework upon reaching the Funding Cap or enrollment in courses not listed on the approved Course Directory.

#### What costs is the student responsible to pay when reaching the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap?

- Students are responsible for charges as a result of hours which are not covered by the Dual Enrollment funding program such as continuing to enroll in dual enrollment coursework upon reaching the Funding Cap or enrollment in courses not listed on the approved Course Directory.
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### What options are available after a student reaches the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap?

- Students may choose to self-pay for additional credit hours/courses. Check with the college for required tuition, fee, and book costs etc.
- Students who self-pay are not required to complete the Dual Enrollment funding application. Students must complete the college Admissions Application and meet college payment deadlines for tuition and fees. Check with your high school advisor and college Admissions or Dual Enrollment office for any other forms or requirements.
- Students who have reached the Dual Enrollment Funding Cap may be eligible for HOPE or Zell Miller Grant Program as a “bridge” to additional funding. Students pursuing a technical diploma or certificate program of study in one of the HOPE Career Grant approved high-demand industry areas may qualify for the HOPE Grant and HOPE Career Grant as part of the HOPE Grant Bridge funding.
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- Public high school students pursuing a high school diploma through High School Graduation Option B (SB2), may qualify for the HOPE Grant and HOPE Career Grant based on the two certificates or diploma program they are pursuing as their High School Graduation Option B requirements.
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### Can students take courses not approved for Dual Enrollment funding?

- The student and parent need to discuss the options with the high school advisor and college admissions office to check policy

### Can a student retake or withdraw from a Dual Enrollment course?

- Effective Summer term 2020 (FY2021), a student may not receive funding for the same course twice. Courses taken Summer term 2020 or later cannot be retaken and receive Dual Enrollment funding. Courses taken prior to Summer 2020 are not included.
- Effective Summer term 2020 (FY2021), students become ineligible to continue to receive Dual Enrollment funding for future terms after their 2<sup>nd</sup> course withdrawal. Course withdrawals prior to Summer term 2020 are not included.

### Is there consideration for extenuating circumstances with withdrawals or retaking a course?

Consideration given only for courses taken Summer term 2020 or later.

- A student who withdrew from or wishes to retake/repeat a Dual Enrollment course may submit a written Extenuating Circumstance Exception Request form with supporting documentation.
- The student must have experienced an extenuating circumstance of serious illness, serious injury or a death of an immediate family member.
- Exceptions do not allow for additional hours of Dual Enrollment program funding eligibility. The Exception solely allows for continued participation in the Dual Enrollment program, up to the 30 semester or 45 quarter hours program Funding Cap.

### **What are the eligibility requirements to receive HOPE Grant, Career Grant, or Zell Miller Grant funding?**

- All students must meet each of the following:
  - Must meet Georgia residency and citizenship requirements of the Technical college system of Georgia or the University System of Georgia based on attending college.
  - Must meet Satisfactory Academic progress academic requirements.
  - Enrollment in a technical certificate or diploma program
- The participating eligible Postsecondary Institution determines if students meet the HOPE Grant or Zell Miller Grant and HOPE Career Grant eligibility requirements.

***HOPE and Zell Miller Grant funds cannot be used for degree level coursework and are not available at private institutions nor public university system institutions that do not participate in the HOPE Grant program.***

### **What is the HOPE Career Grant?**

- Students enrolled in one of the majors/programs on the approved high-demand industry areas list may receive HOPE Career Grant along with HOPE Grant or Zell Miller Grant.

### **Will there be out of pocket expense if I receive HOPE and Zell Miller Grant?**

- Students are responsible for any charges not covered by the Grant programs such as tuition, fees and books.

### **What are the academic eligibility requirements of the HOPE and Zell Miller Grants?**

- A student eligible to receive HOPE Grant funds must have a minimum postsecondary GPA of 2.00 at the 30 Paid-hours and 60 Paid-hours checkpoints. A student loses eligibility for failure to maintain the minimum 2.00 HOPE Grant GPA.
- A student eligible to receive Zell Miller Grant funds must maintain a minimum postsecondary GPA of 3.5 at the end of each postsecondary term of enrollment. A student who loses Zell Grant eligibility, may be eligible to receive HOPE Grant if they have at least a 2.0 GPA at the end of the postsecondary term checkpoint.

### **How will receiving HOPE/Zell Miller Grant affect my eligibility to receive HOPE or Zell Miller Scholarship?**

- The course credit hours paid by HOPE Grant or Zell Miller Grant funding are applied to the 63 semester Paid-Hours Grant limit. Also, those Paid Hours count against the HOPE Scholarship and Zell Miller Scholarship Paid Hours in the Combined Paid-Hours Limit. The courses do not count in the College level HOPE Scholarship or Zell Miller Scholarship GPA calculation.

### **Be advised:**

- *No exceptions are allowed for the approved courses, grade level, Funding Cap or High School Graduation Option B status eligibility requirements effective 2020-2021 (beginning Summer term 2020).*