

# HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS *EARNING COLLEGE CREDIT*

Last year, 56% of new, incoming first-year students joined Niner Nation with either AP, IB, CLEP, or Dual Enrollment credit. At UNC Charlotte, we are committed to ensuring that high school students earning college credit have a smooth transition to our institution.

## **COMPLETING COLLEGE COURSES OR EARNING AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL?**

*Apply to Charlotte as a first-year (freshman) applicant.*

To complete a first-year application we will need:

Online application

Application fee

Essay

Official high school transcript

*Optional: college transcript, SAT or ACT test scores, recommendation letter(s), and personal statement.*

## **READY TO APPLY?**

*Get connected in your Future 49er Portal.*

Create a Future 49er Portal account

In the portal, you can apply for admission, check your application status, register for campus events, and join our email/ mailing list.

First-Year Early Action Deadline: Nov. 1

First-Year Regular Decision Deadline: Feb. 1



*For students earning 24 or more transferrable college credit hours*

Your application may be reviewed based on transfer criteria. We will use the review process that best advantages you! For more info about transfer criteria, contact an admissions counselor.

*For more information, visit [admissions.charlotte.edu/early-college](https://admissions.charlotte.edu/early-college).*

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Why am I being encouraged to apply as a first-year student?** This allows you to remain in consideration for housing, learning communities, honors, scholarships, and other special programs reserved for new first-year students.

**How will my credits transfer?** First-year applicants may receive credit for college courses completed during high school as well as AP and IB exam credits. During our review of your application, your transferable credits will be evaluated and your class standing as a Freshman, Sophomore, Junior or Senior will be determined at that point.

**Should I send an official or unofficial college transcript with my application?** An unofficial transcript can be used when we review your application for your initial admission decision. However, we will need your official college transcript before you enroll to evaluate how your college credit will transfer to Charlotte.

**Am I required to live on campus as a first-year applicant?** While not required, we strongly encourage a first-year applicant to live on campus for at least their first year at the university.

**What is my timeline to degree completion?** As a student entering with college credits, your timeline to degree completion may look different than other traditional first-year applicants. During your first year as a Charlotte student, your academic advisor will provide you with a plan and timeline for completing your degree.

**Will my college credits show on my high school transcript?** While your college credits may appear on your high school transcript, it may not include in-progress courses. The university requires us to use your official college transcript to evaluate how your credits will transfer to Charlotte.