

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS **EARNING COLLEGE CREDIT**



Last year, 63% 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.

HOW DO I APPLY IF I AM COMPLETING COLLEGE COURSES WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL?

Apply to Charlotte as a first-year applicant.

First-Year Application requirements include:

- Online application
- Application fee or fee waiver
- Essay
- Official high school transcript

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

**Fall 2025 applicants: Test optional for students with a weighted GPA of 2.8 or higher at the end of Junior Year.*

HOW DO MY CREDITS TRANSFER?

Utilize the resources below.



See how credits earned by examination transfer. This includes:

- AP Credit
- IB Credit
- CLEP Credit



Explore how college credit earned through dual-enrollment may transfer with our Transfer Credit Advisor.

For students earning 24 or more transferable college credit hours:

Your application may be reviewed based on transfer criteria. We will use the review process that benefits you the most!

For more info about transfer criteria, contact an Admissions Counselor.

LEARN MORE | [ADMISSIONS.CHARLOTTE.EDU/APPLY](https://admissions.charlotte.edu/apply)

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.

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.

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.

When will I receive transfer credit?

Students seeking to earn credit through examination or dual enrollment should request their official scores and transcripts to be sent to our office when available. If you choose to enroll, your credit will be reviewed and awarded to your student account closer to your advising date.

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 Niner, your academic advisor will provide you with a plan and timeline for completing your degree.