

dual credit

Running Start

What is Running Start?

Running Start is a program that allows “eligible” high school students to take a college course at a University of Hawaii system campus as part of their high school coursework.

The unique partnership between the Hawaii State Department of Education and the University of Hawaii System allows public and charter high school students to attend college classes during the fall, spring, and summer while earning both high school and college credits.

Currently nine UH campuses participate in the Running Start program:

- University of Hawai‘i at Hilo (includes the North Hawai‘i Education and Research Center)
- University of Hawai‘i – West O‘ahu
- Hawai‘i Community College (includes Hilo and Palamanui campuses)
- Honolulu Community College
- Kapi‘olani Community College
- Kaua‘i Community College
- Leeward Community College
- University of Hawai‘i Maui College
- Windward Community College

Dual Credit Scholarship Details



GEAR UP supports low-income students’ participation in the Running Start dual credit program by providing support for tuition and books. GEAR UP Hawai‘i offers Running Start Scholarships to Hawai‘i public high school students who are economically disadvantaged (defined as receiving free lunch, reduced lunch, or the equivalent for schools not participating in the National School Lunch Program, or students participating in the Supplemental Assistance for Needy Families – SNAP – or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families – TANF – program).

The scholarship is used for tuition/fees and required textbooks for one 3 or 4 credit class. (*Note: the

scholarship is only for one UH session and may be used for 4 credits only if the course is designated as a 4 credit class or if there is a one-credit lab that is taken concurrently.) The award is conditional upon verification of socioeconomic status by the Hawaii State Department of Education, as well as admission to the University of Hawai'i campus you are planning to attend. Please note that funding is available only to U.S. citizens and permanent residents; international students are not eligible for scholarship funding. Priority awards are given to students who are economically disadvantaged and have received no prior Running Start Scholarship funding from GEAR UP.

GEAR UP will have funding available to support a limited number of scholarships through the Summer 2019 term.

Eligibility Requirements

Any public high school and charter school student considered to be eligible and meets campus admissions requirements within the state of Hawai'i who: is under the age of 21 as of September 1st of the school year in which the college course is taken.

Fulfills and complies with college campus requirements such as:

- Admission forms
- Meeting admission requirements
- Satisfactory scores on appropriate Math and English placement tests or equivalent satisfactory scores using alternative measures of placement
- TB and MMR immunization requirements
- Payment of college tuition and fees
- Maintenance of acceptable academic standing

Running Start FAQs

Eligibility Questions

College Registration & Enrollment Questions

Accommodation Questions

Grades and Transcript Questions

For more information call GEAR UP at 956-3879, or from the neighbor islands at 1-866-808-4327.

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GEAR UP Scholarship Deadlines

NEW DATES for 2017-2018

Summer 2018 Term **Friday, March 9, 2018**

Fall 2018 Term **Friday, April 6, 2018**

[Apply Now for the Scholarship](#)

University of Hawaii Information

Academic Calendar:

<https://www.hawaii.edu/academics/calendar/>

UH Campus Schedule of Classes:

<http://myuhinfo.hawaii.edu/page/checkclass.html>

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