



THE ACADEMY PROGRAM

(Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program)

WHAT IS THE OHIO STATE ACADEMY?

The Ohio State Academy Program is an opportunity for outstanding high school students who are residents of Ohio to enroll in Ohio State University classes. The Academy Program is the Ohio State implementation of the *Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program* that has been created by the State of Ohio. This program is a partnership between Ohio State, the high school, and the student and his or her parents.

There are two options for enrolling in the Academy Program:

- Option A – Students enroll in courses to receive college credit; the students' family is responsible for all costs. This option is available all terms.
- Option B – Students enroll in courses to receive both college credit and high school credit; the local school district pays for the cost of tuition and books. This option is available autumn and spring semesters but not during the summer. (Note: Students utilizing Option B who drop or fail a class can be asked to re-pay the school district for the cost of the course.)

The Ohio State Academy is limited to students who have achieved at the highest levels while in high school. Admission to the Academy will be based on class rank, grade point average, and standardized test scores. The majority of students who enroll in the Academy are in the 11th or 12th grade. Exceptional students in the 9th and 10th grade may apply for the program, but must meet the same admission requirements as older students.

Taking college courses at OSU begins your college transcript at OSU. The grades earned during your academy experience stay on your academic record and begin your GPA in the OSU system.

APPLYING TO THE ACADEMY

Students who wish to participate in the Academy program should first meet with the high school counselor or principal to discuss the opportunities and risks offered by the Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program. Enrollment is based on the following criteria:

- Performance in high school as shown by class rank or grade point average. Students admitted to the academy generally rank at the top of their high school classes with strong grade point averages.
- Performance on standardized tests. Students applying to the Academy must submit scores from any of the following exams: ACT, SAT, PSAT, or PLAN. Students admitted to the academy generally have scored well above the national average on these exams.
- Recommendation from their high school counselor or principal
- 300-word essay on application form

The application for the Ohio State Academy can be found on the Academy website at www.undergrad.osu.edu/academy/. Students can apply by doing the following:

1. Create your account online at www.applyweb.com/apply/osuacd.
2. Login to www.applyweb.com/cgi-bin/app?s=osuacd and complete your application.
3. Include your high school counselor's email address within the application in order for the counselor to be notified to print off the high school information form from the OSU website, and to complete and submit it.
4. Pay the \$60 application fee and submit an official high school transcript and test scores.

ADMISSION TO OSU AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

The Ohio State Academy Program is designed for talented high school students wishing to take college courses while still in high school. **Admission to the Academy Program does not imply or guarantee admission to the Columbus campus of The Ohio State University as a degree-seeking student.** An Academy participant who desires admission to Ohio State's Columbus campus as a degree-seeking student must complete a separate application and participate in a competitive admission process. An Academy participant who seeks admission to a regional campus of OSU as a degree-seeking student must complete a separate application during his or her senior year of high school.

COURSE REGISTRATION

Students who are admitted to the Academy Program will be invited to an Orientation program several weeks before the start of their first semester of enrollment. Students will meet with the Academy advisor and schedule classes during this orientation program.

Students must complete the college preparatory requirements in the subject area of interest before enrolling in a course in that subject through the Academy.

Students wishing to take...	Must complete these high school courses...
English	4 units of college prep English
Math	The highest level of math available at the high school
Natural Science	3 units of science with a lab
Social Science	2 units of social science
Foreign language	2 units of foreign language (can be different than the language you wish to take through the Academy)
Visual or Performing Arts	1 unit of visual or performing art

One unit = Carnegie Unit/ year-long course in high school

Students also need to meet course pre-requisites (e.g., math placement scores for a math or science course). Course enrollment will be limited by the number of seats available in the course. Students who are pursuing their Ohio State degree will be offered first choice of courses before Academy students are able to register for classes.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- February 1 – online application is available on the Ohio State website
- March 30 – deadline to submit letter to your school counselor/district of your intent to participate in the Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program
- May 1 – deadline to apply for the autumn semester
- Late June thru August – autumn semester orientations (dates to be determined)
- August 27, 2014 – First day of Autumn Semester 2014

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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Admission Requirements for The Ohio State Academy Program at the Ohio State ATI campus in Wooster	
Students in 11th and 12th grade	
High school class rank:	top 20%
Grade point average (GPA):	3.3 on a 4.0 scale
Test scores:	ACT composite score: 24 or higher SAT Critical Reading and Math score: 1110 or higher PLAN composite score: 24 or higher PSAT Critical Reading and Math Score: 100 or higher
Students in 9th and 10th grade	
High school class rank:	top 10%
Grade point average (GPA):	3.8 on a 4.0 scale
Test scores:	ACT composite score: 26 or higher SAT Critical Reading and Math score: 1180 or higher PLAN composite score: 26 or higher PSAT Critical Reading and Math Score: 118 or higher