

Credit Flexibility

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I take credit flexibility courses pass/fail?

Yes. However, any graduation requirements must be taken for a letter grade.

What grade/percentage do I need to earn to be awarded credit?

You need to earn 60% or higher in order to earn credit. However, 80% or higher is recommended for you to advance to the next level.

May I retake a flex credit exam?

No. You may sit for an exam one time.

Can I revise my educational option proposal?

Yes. You will be given feedback through a detailed rubric and may be given the option to revise **one time**.

Is there a limit to the courses I can take through flex credit?

No, but understand that flex credits do not count on your schedule for academic and athletic eligibility.

Can I use an AP test for flex credit without taking the course at UAHS?

Yes. However, you will need to complete a proposal prior to the May AP test. Scores are not returned until July - eliminating Seniors from credit in this manner. A score of 3 or higher will be required in order to earn credit. Note: 3 = C, 4 = B, 5 = A

Can I flex out an IB course?

No, the International Baccalaureate Organization's rules and regulations require seat time for credit.

Can a student flex out of the second semester of a course after they have sat for the first semester of that same course?

Yes. Please note that the first flex exam of the year is offered in December and the first semester technically ends in January. See your Counselor for further assistance.

What will the flex credit course look like on my transcript?

Flex credits will appear on transcripts like all other credits earned, and will be factored into your cumulative grade point average. An exception to this rule impacts any potential Division 1 student-athletes; please see detailed information below.

Can a student request flex credit for a course not offered at our school?

Perhaps, but it will be your responsibility to locate and identify appropriate learning outcomes. For most cases, elective credit will be awarded.

If I am a scholar-athlete, can I take flex credit?

Yes; however you need to be aware that recent information sent to high schools from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Eligibility Center regarding prospective Division 1 student-athletes and coursework taken in non-traditional classroom settings may impact credit flexibility plans. Specifically, schools are advised to counsel prospective Division 1 student-athletes not to utilize the test-out option of flex credit, and to be certain that any coursework earned via flex credit be comparable in length, content, and rigor as credits earned in a traditional classroom setting. The course also must be part of a four-year, college-preparatory in nature with ongoing access between the instructor and student with a defined time for completion.

Although the design of the flex credit policy calls for including the credits on the student transcript in the same manner as those earned via traditional classroom settings, the NCAA requires that any credits earned through non-traditional ways (distance learning, online learning, credit recovery, etc.) must be designated on the transcripts of potential Division 1 student-athletes. Schools should note on student transcripts submitted to the NCAA for review which course credits were earned through non-traditional ways or attach an addendum to the student transcript explaining that. The designation of credits on the transcript applies only for NCAA purposes. Contact the NCAA at <http://www.eligibilitycenter.org> for specific advice on this issue.

Can middle school students take advantage of Credit Flexibility?

Students may apply for credit flex upon transition to 9th grade; which officially occurs in August. Or, if an 8th grade student is already enrolled in a high school level course while in middle school, and wishes to participate in Credit Flexibility, in the content area of the high school level course being taken, he or she should follow the high school Credit Flexibility process and deadlines listed above.

If I have questions, whom should I contact?

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