

What is *The Early College Academy*?

The Early College Academy is intended to give academically prepared students the opportunity to earn an *Associate of Arts* degree from Hudson County Community College while also achieving their high school diploma.

The Early College Academy is structured as a four year cohort allowing enrolled students to satisfy high school graduation requirements and HCCC's college-level courses in fulfillment of the Associate degree requirements.

Projected Course Sequence

Freshman Year

- All courses at BHS
- 8 courses (includes 0 Period)

Sophomore Year

- All Courses at BHS
- 7 courses

Junior Year

- 4 courses at BHS (includes 0 Period)
- 2 courses at HCCC per semester

Senior Year

- 1 course at BHS (0 period)
- 3 courses at HCCC per semester

Projected courses are subject to change based on course offerings and staff availability

Benefits of *The Early College Academy*

- Classes are taught by BHS teachers who serve as HCCC adjunct instructors
- Classes count toward both high school graduation and college credit (dual enrollment)
- College experience supported by BHS staff
- The "Strength of Transcript" is one of the top reasons for college acceptance
- Degree recipients are considered a transfer student - begin college as a Junior
- Affordability!

How does I apply to the Early College Academy?

1. Complete a Hudson County Community College application **Deadline** - Friday, January 31, 2020
2. Sign and Return Early College Academy Student Agreement **Deadline** - Monday, February 3, 2020
3. Take the Accuplacer assessment - Saturday, February 8, 2020