

What are Advanced Academics?

Students, while still in high school, may sign up for advanced academic courses which may lead to college credit. Students should meet with their high school counselors or teachers to obtain more information about these courses and support services.

Brennan High School currently has three choices for advanced academic courses:

Advanced Placement (AP)

Students may earn college credit through the College Board AP Examinations which are offered in May of each year. There is a fee for each AP exam. Northside ISD pays a supplement for each AP test taken by students who are sitting in the AP courses. For assistance in paying for the test, talk with your counselor or teacher. AP course offerings may vary by campus. Look for descriptions of these Advanced Placement courses in the Course Catalog.

Dual Credit (DC)

Students may earn both high school and college credits. Students may accrue from three to thirty hours of college credit, depending on the courses. Students are enrolled in college early and are required to take the TSI. Dual credit courses taken at the high schools are tuition-free.

The University of Texas at Austin OnRamps (OnRamps)

OnRamps works through a dual-enrollment model. Using a hybrid delivery approach, students meet rigorous university-level college readiness standards and have the opportunity to earn UT Austin credit from a UT faculty member and high school credit from their local teacher. All OnRamps courses can be applied to the Texas Common Core and are guaranteed to transfer to any public institution in Texas.

St. Philip's College (DC)

Two-Year Dual Credit Academy Programs:

*****Open only to students who are currently enrolled. *****

- Alamo Area Aerospace Academy: Aircraft Mechanics – Three-hour courses; students attend classes on the St. Philip's SW Campus.
- Information Technology and Security Academy: Computer Security – Three-hour courses; students attend classes at San Antonio College.
- Manufacturing Technology Academy: Diverse manufacturing – Three-hour courses; students attend classes on the St. Philip's SW Campus.

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BRENNAN HIGH SCHOOL

Advanced Academics

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Advanced Placement (AP)

By taking an AP course and scoring successfully on the related AP Exam, you can save on college expenses: most colleges and universities nationwide offer college credit, advanced placement, or both, for qualifying AP Exam scores. These credits can allow students to save college tuition, study abroad, or secure a second major. AP can transform what once seemed unattainable into something within reach.

<http://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home>

AP COURSES AT BRENNAN:

Art (Drawing, 2-D, 3-D)
Biology
Calculus AB
Calculus BC
Chemistry
Computer Science A
English Language & Composition
English Literature & Composition
French Language & Culture
German Language & Culture
Human Geography
Latin Language & Culture
Macroeconomics
Microeconomics
Music Theory
Physics
Precalculus
Psychology
Spanish Language & Culture
Spanish Literature & Culture
Statistics
U.S. Government & Politics
U.S. History
World History



Dual Credit (DC)

Northwest Vista College's Dual Credit Program allows eligible high school students to earn college credit for certain high school courses in which they are currently enrolled while completing their high school requirements. In order for students to participate in the program, the high schools must be approved to offer dual credit courses. Dual Credit is different from AP credit.

<https://www.alamo.edu/nvc/dual-credit>

DUAL CREDIT COURSES AT BRENNAN:

College Algebra
Statistics
English 3
English 4
Government
Precalculus
Spanish 3
U.S. History
World History



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OnRamps' innovative dual-enrollment program brings rigorous courses aligned with the high standards and expectations of The University of Texas at Austin. The key benefit of early exposure to postsecondary education is the authentic entry point to college expectations it provides for students and their families. In addition, earning transferable college credit while in high school accelerates degree completion by reducing the costs and impact of student loans and increase lifetime earning potential. In OnRamps, students learn firsthand all that it takes to succeed in college before they get there.

<https://onramps.utexas.edu>

UT ONRAMPS COURSES AT BRENNAN:

Biology
Chemistry
College Algebra
Geo Science
Physics 1
Physics 2
Rhetoric and Writing
Statistics
U.S. History

