

*Saint Paul Lutheran
High School*

**Get a
Jump on
College!**

Concurrent Credit Program



Things to consider:

Transferring credits to your future college or university....

Since you will take core (general education) university requirements, most credits transfer to the college or university you ultimately attend. Since the Higher Learning Commission and the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools accredits (CUNE), other institutions generally accept Concordia credit. But just to be safe, before registering for a concurrent class or classes, check with your top-choice colleges and universities to ensure credits will transfer.

There is a difference between concurrent credit and AP test scores....

| Differences between Dual Credit and AP | SPLHS | AP |
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| | <i>Dual Credit</i> | <i>Advanced Placement</i> |
| Are university letter grades awarded to students and recorded for credit at the university? | Yes | No |
| Is the classroom instructor required to have at least a Master's degree in the subject being taught? | Yes | No |
| Do classes provide a broad subject-based curriculum? | Yes | No |
| Is there direct accountability to national, state and local educational authorities? | Yes | No |
| Does an educational institution with national academic accreditation manage the program? | Yes | No |
| Is "credit" for the class awarded to students based on single test scores? | No | Yes |
| Is the program managed by corporate entities, which have no academic accreditation or standing? | No | Yes |

Saint Paul offers over 70 college preparatory courses. In addition to these courses and in place of Advance Placement (AP) courses, Saint Paul provides up to 36 hours of concurrent courses taught by Concordia approved Saint Paul teachers.

Concurrent Credit Program differs from AP test scores. Concurrent Credit students take a college course, earn the number of credits assigned to the course, and the grade earned is a weighted grade for the course. The weighted grades give the student an opportunity to increase their overall high school grade point average (GPA) as well as greatly enhancing their college and university applications. Students receive a transcript from the university. Concurrent courses are considered in the college admissions process.

Students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses have the option of taking an AP Exam. Based upon test scores, credits are awarded by the university they attend. If the student's AP test scores do not meet the university's cutoff scores for college credit, the student has the option of re-taking the AP examination to increase their test score or scores. Depending on the university, AP test scores may or may not be used for the college admission process.

You can save a lot of time and money....

By taking concurrent courses beginning your junior year of high school, you have the opportunity to earn from a semester to a year's worth of college credit before entering college. College credits are a fraction of the cost they would be on the actual college or university campus and you can gain experience in college work and expectations in a Christian high school environment.

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Earn High School and College Credit

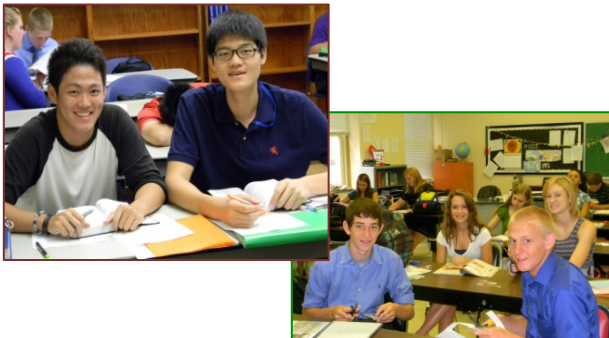
The Concurrent Credit Program is sponsored by Concordia University, Nebraska and brings together professors and classes of Concordia University, Nebraska with Saint Paul Lutheran High School.

With the Concurrent Credit Program at Saint Paul Lutheran High School, successful junior and senior students have an opportunity to get a jump-start on college. The program provides Saint Paul teachers with the information and support they need to teach college-credit classes at the high school level allowing students to earn college credit at a reduced cost before graduating from high school. Concordia's Current Credit Program offers courses found in the General Education requirements of many colleges and universities. Because Concordia-Nebraska is an accredited university, this credit is the same as credit awarded to on-campus students and can be transferred to other colleges in the same way. Students participating in the Concordia Concurrent Credit Program can start their college careers with a number of courses already completed and save money while doing it.

Through the program, university/college level credit is given for selected courses taught in high school by CUNE approved SPLHS teachers.

To enroll and learn about the courses offered through the concurrent credit program, to learn about the registration process, and to determine the tuition rate per credit hour, check with assistant principal, Mr. John Beerman.

Students may also be required to purchase necessary books.



Course Offerings

- * **Math 122:** Introduction to Statistics
- * **English 102:** Experiences in Writing
- * **CTA 103:** Experiences in Human Communication
- * **Sociology 101:** Introduction to Sociology
- * **English 201:** Introduction to Literature
- * **Religion 121:** History and Literature of the Old Testament
- * **Religion 131:** History and Literature of the New Testament
- Math 184:** Calculus I
- Chemistry 115:** General Chemistry
- Physics 110:** Principles of Physics
- History 115:** American Civilization
- * **Semester Credits. All other credits are Full Year (Two semesters).**



Saint Paul's accreditation is through the Advanc Ed Central Association (NCA) and the National Lutheran School Association (NLSA).

Concordia University Nebraska was founded in 1894 by The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, Concordia University, Nebraska is a private, coeducational institution of higher learning. The main campus is located in Seward, Neb. (population 6,500), about 25 miles west of Lincoln, the state capitol. The graduate school and degree completion program are based in Lincoln. As an institution, Concordia University, Nebraska is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of its North Central Association (see also: Concordia's accreditation page at NCAHLC.org).

Additionally, Concordia, NE has received accreditation in the following areas:

Teacher education: The university's teacher education program is accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

Music: The music program is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM).

Business: Concordia's Bachelor of Science degrees in business administration, accountancy, business communication, marketing, and management information systems and the Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration and their minors and concentrations are accredited by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE). An assessment report with the IACBE annually. The most recent version is available here: Concordia's IACBE Annual Report.

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