Running Start Program

Overview

Franklin College offers high school students a unique opportunity to begin their college education on our campus. Through the Running Start program, high school juniors and seniors can take college courses in English, math, social and natural sciences and the humanities. Running Start students will receive college credit for these classes, which may be applied toward a degree at Franklin College or any other institution that will accept the transfer credit. Convenient class times allow students to arrange Running Start courses around their high school schedules and activities.

Some common classes for Running Start students, with credit hours in parentheses, are:

- FRE 110 Elementary French I (4)
- MAT 131 Introduction to Quantitative Analysis (3)
- FRE 111 Elementary French II (4)
- MAT 135 Calculus (4)
- FRE 210 Intermediate French I (4)
- PSY 117 General Psychology (4)
- FRE 211 Intermediate French II (4)
- SOC 118 Introduction to Sociology (4)
- LA 101 Reading and Writing Critically (4)
- SPA 110 Elementary College Spanish I (4)
- LA 103 Quantitative Reasoning (4)
- SPA 111 Elementary College Spanish II (4)
- LA 111 Public Speaking (3)
- SPA 210 Intermediate Spanish (4)
- ESC 118 Earth Science (4)
- SPA 211 Intermediate Reading, Writing and Discussion (4)
- CMP 130 Introduction to Computing*

*Limited virtual seats available during Fall 2022 semester. Please contact the office of admissions for more information.

Students may take any course for which they meet the course prerequisites. Students taking a math or foreign language class are offered the opportunity to take a placement test to ensure they are taking the appropriate level course.

2021-2022 Fall and Spring Semesters:
Fall classes run 8/30 - 12/16
Spring classes run 1/31 - 5/19

2022 Summer Sessions:
First session runs 6/1 - 7/1
Second session runs 7/6 - 8/5
The Application & Registration Process

1. Students must first complete the Running Start application online. As part of the online process, they will submit a high school transcript and send an electronic request to have a guidance counselor complete a recommendation. Students will also need to pay a $40 application fee online or through the Franklin College Office of Business and Finance. The application and details can be found on our website at https://FranklinCollege.edu/running-start.

2. Once accepted into the program, students must submit a $50 enrollment deposit online or through the office of business and finance. This amount will be applied toward tuition costs when they are billed.

3. Students should contact the Franklin College Office of Academic Records at 317.738.8019 to discuss course scheduling. Students can register for fall classes as early as April 1 and spring classes as early as November 1.

Questions:
Contact the Franklin College Office of Admissions at 317.738.8075 or admissions@FranklinCollege.edu.

Tuition Costs:
Fall and Spring 2021-2022: $445 per course (maximum of two, 4-credit-hour courses per semester)*

Summer sessions: $235 per credit hour

*Additional fees apply for lab science courses and courses more than 4 credit hours.

The Benefits
Running Start allows students to:
• receive a valuable introduction to the college classroom and expectations
• get a jump-start on general education courses, which are required on most college campuses
• learn to navigate college before undertaking a full course load
• obtain credits that transfer to many other colleges and universities, thus allowing students to obtain additional majors or minors without worrying about the cost of extra semesters in school.