



# Early College Program

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A partnership between  
Irvine Valley College and  
the Tustin Unified School  
District



# 2021-2022 School Year

- '21-'22 will be the 15<sup>th</sup> year of Early College at Beckman High School.
- The first Early College cohort graduated in May 2011, earning Associate's Degrees.





# Benefits

Early College Program will provide high school students an **opportunity** to:

- Earn 51 college units.
- Majority of IVC classes are 'weighted'=students receive GPA boosts.
- Complete UC and CSU General Education Pattern (IGETC).
- Earn credits toward an Associate in Arts Degree.
- Earn transferable college units.
- Use IVC's tutorial, college library, labs, and other facilities and equipment.



# Benefits of Dual Enrollment

- Earn credits toward high school graduation and towards Associate or Baccalaureate degree
- Reduces costs. Students pay no application or tuition fees, but must purchase their own college textbooks.



# Program Overview

- Students will take two IVC classes each session (Fall and Spring)
- During the regular school year, students will take **at least** four TUSD classes at Beckman High School & two IVC classes each semester. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> graders are **required** to take a **Zero period** class and will have a **seven period day**.





# Desirable Student Traits

- Good at time management & study skills
- Self advocate
- Self motivated
- Student maturity
- Minimum 3.5 GPA
- Algebra 1 passed with a B or better





# Sample Early College 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Schedule

Period	Course
0	English 1 Honors
1	Early College 9
2	Early College 9
3	Biology Honors
4	Geometry Honors
5	Spanish 1
6	Girls Basketball





# Grade 9 EC Courses

## Fall 2021

- Coun 10 Intro to College Study Skills
- Hist 1 World History to 1500

## Spring 2022

- Mus 20 Music Appreciation
- Hist 2 World History since 1500



# Fall 2021

- Beckman High School Periods 1 & 2 blocked together for Irvine Valley College classes
- IVC courses will be taught by college instructors Monday - Thursday.
- Fridays & Late Starts: Mandatory Study Hall with a BHS teacher
- Grade 9 (Pre-program–Provisional Acceptance)



# Course Sequencing: 4 years

Term	Course	Course Description	Units	CSU-IGETC	UC-IGETC
		Grade 9			
Fall Semester	Couns 10	Introduction to College Study Skills	3	Elective	Elective
Fall Semester	History 1	World History to 1500	3	Area 3B	Area 3B
Spring Semester	Music 20	Music Appreciation	3	Area 3A	Area 3A
Spring Semester	History 2	World History since 1500	3	Area 3B	Area 3B
		Grade 10			
Fall Semester	Sociology 1	Introduction to Sociology	3	Area 4	Area 4
Fall Semester	Psychology 1	Introduction to Psychology	3	Area 4	Area 4
Spring Semester	Communications 1	Communication Fundamentals	3	Area 1C	Elective
Spring Semester	Geography 1	Physical Geography	3	Area 5A	Area 5A
		Grade 11			
Fall Semester	Humanities 1	Introduction to Humanities	3	Area 3B	Area 3B
Fall Semester	Econ 1	Principles of Economics - Micro	3	Area 4	Area 4
Spring Semester	Econ 2	Principles of Economics - Macro	3	Area 4	Area 4
Spring Semester	Psychology 10	Statistical Methods in Behavioral Sciences	3	Area 2A	Area 2A
		Grade 12			
Fall Semester	Writing 1	College Writing	4	Area 1A	Area 1A
Fall Semester	Bio 1 & Lab	Principles of Biology & Lab	4	Area 5B	Area 5B
Spring Semester	Writing 2	Critical Thinking/Writing	4	Area 1B	Area 1B
Spring Semester	Pol Sci 1	American Government	3	Area 4	Area 4
		Total IGETC Units		48	45
		Total TRANSFERRABLE PROGRAM UNITS		51	51
		A/P OR IVC ELECTIVE UNITS NEEDED FOR AA		9	9
		TOTAL TRANSFERRABLE UNITS		60	60



# EC Students are still active Beckman Patriots!





# Intercession

- Time period when IVC classes are not in session.
- Students are **required** to attend Study Hall on campus.





# Application and Acceptance

- Program Application, 3-References and Middle School Transcripts Due - April 28, 2021.
- Required On Demand Timed Writing Assessment – Info to follow after completed application has been received
- Letters of Early College Program status will be emailed out May 26.



# FAQs

- Can my student “try out” the program and drop it after one year?

**NO.** The expectation is for students to remain in the program for their entire high school career, taking courses with their cohort for four years. Grades earned from IVC remain on the student's official TUSD transcript, therefore, 100% commitment to the EC program is imperative.

Causes great difficulty for student scheduling & graduation credits  
If your student is on an intradistrict transfer and chooses to drop EC, they will be *returned to their home school*.



# FAQs

- Can EC students still take Advanced Placement (AP) classes at Beckman?

Absolutely! Most EC students take a combination of IVC, Honors, and AP courses. However, not all AP courses are available to EC students. For example, EC students do not take AP World History, as they have already fulfilled this requirement by taking Hist 1 and Hist 2 their first year in the ECP.



# FAQs

- Are all EC classes taken on the Beckman campus?

During the first 3 years, all IVC courses are taken at Beckman.

For 12<sup>th</sup> graders, all courses are taken at the IVC campus, allowing students to be fully immersed in the college experience.



# FAQs

- Are there ever conflicts with IVC and Beckman classes?

Yes. EC courses are held M-Thurs. during 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> period. On Late Start Wednesdays, EC classes conflict with Zero period. Students attend their EC class, & make arrangements with their Zero period Beckman teacher to make up the work or get caught up during lunch or Tutorial. This year, we had 15 Late Start days.

Some upper level, BHS courses (French/Chinese) only offered 1 period per day & may fall during our EC class periods, excluding EC students from enrolling in them.



# FAQs

- What if my child completes the EC program and then would like to play sports at the Community College level following high school?

Students in EC have technically completed the community college curriculum. They would not be eligible to play sports at that level since there would be no more classes for them to enroll in.



# FAQs

- Do parents have access to EC grades via Aeries?

**No.** As college students, only student has access to grade from IVC while the course is in session.

Federal law (FERPA) = sharing student information with anyone, other than student, illegal.

- Parent/school relationship is different.
- Students are in college;
- BHS **cannot** intervene in classes in any way, & professors are not required to respond to parents.

Once final grades are submitted and entered in Aeries, parents are able to see semester EC grades on their students' transcripts.

IVC instructors **do not** use Aeries to update or post grades.



# FAQs

- Do *all* colleges accept *all* courses and credits earned through the ECP?

No. The ECP is geared for students applying for UC / CSU schools. Private and out-of-state schools are all unique in the number and type of transfer credits they will accept.



# FAQs

- To which schools have previous EC students been accepted?

UC Davis, UC San Diego, UCLA, UC Berkeley, UC Santa Barbara, UC Riverside, Cal State Fullerton, University of Colorado at Boulder, NYU, Boston University, Cal Poly SLO, Occidental, LMU, Scripps, Georgia Tech, Pepperdine, and University of Mississippi are a few.



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