FAQ’s Continued

Q: How do I know if a Cuesta course will transfer to a 4-year university?
A: Cuesta identifies courses that are transferable to the CSU and UC system with course numbering system between 200-299. In addition, a list of transferable courses to the CSU and UC systems can be found at www.assist.org.

Q: Will my Cuesta class count for both high school and college credit?
A: Please check with your high school counselor for the amount of high school credit you will receive. If the course is Cuesta degree applicable and/or transferable to the CSU or UC system, it will provide college credit.

Q: How does the Cuesta transcript get to my high school or to my future colleges or universities?
A: The student must submit a written or online request to Cuesta for the transcript to be released to the high school and/or university. The student’s authorization is required to release the transcript either by signature on written request or ordered via myCuesta online. The first two copies are free (written request only), except for online orders which are $6.50 per order.

Q: What kind of help is there for students who struggle with their classes?
A: During Fall and Spring semesters, Cuesta provides instructional support in the Student Success Centers on our SLO and North County Campus. Tutoring services are available to all enrolled students. Contacted 805.546.3150 for San Luis Obispo Campus or 805.591.6245 for the North County Campus. If you have a disability and need a reasonable accommodation to be successful please contact Disabled Student Programs & Services at 805.546.3148 or NCC 805.591.6215.

Q: Is the Enrichment Program available to students in grades K-8?
A: Only students in grades 6-8 may submit a challenge form to be admitted if certified as “highly gifted” by their school district. Contact the Director, Admissions & Records at 805.546.3182 or kpimente@cuesta.edu for more information.

Family Education Rights & Privacy Act of 1974
All college coursework is governed by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act which allows release of academic information, including class schedules, grades, and transcripts, to the student only. Cuesta College academic information is not released to parents or third parties without the written consent of the student. Upon consent by the student, information is only released to the authorized party (may be required to provide identification) in-person and in-writing. This law applies to all students attending Cuesta College, regardless if the student is under 18 years of age.

Information for Parents, Students, and Principal
By entering a college environment, students who are minors will be exposed to a diverse population in educational programs designed for the adult learner that may involve sensitive topics that might be considered controversial or offensive in the secondary setting. Students also have open access to the Internet on campus computers and access to family planning (pregnancy testing, HIV testing, condoms) in the Health Center.

If a class does not meet at its scheduled time (i.e. cancelled class or ends early), Cuesta College does not inform parents or guardians nor will staff or the instructor assume responsibility for students once a class is released.

All Enrichment students will have access to myCuesta, Cuesta’s web portal. Students login using their myCuesta login provided in the welcome letter from the Admissions Office after submitting an admission application.

Menu of myCuesta services includes
- Registration Status - view approved Enrichment courses, date/time to register, holds or debts
- Register Add/Drop Classes
- View Schedule/Receipt - view your personal class schedule and drop deadlines for each course
- View Account Status - view charges, pay fees owed
- View Unofficial Transcripts
- Order Official Transcripts
- Grades
- Student Email

Admissions Office 805.546.3140
NCC Admissions Information 805.591.6225
Assessment Services 805.546.3951
NCC Assessment Services 805.591.6225
Counseling Services 805.546.3138
NCC Counseling Services 805.591.6241

WELCOME to the Cuesta College Enrichment Program. This brochure provides the step-by-step process for receiving approval for attending Cuesta College while concurrently attending high school.

The Enrichment Program is available to high school students in grades 9 - 12, who in the opinion of their school principal, would benefit from concurrent enrollment in “advanced scholastic” or “vocational” college coursework.

Students must complete both the high school approval process and Cuesta’s Enrichment admission process to qualify to register in degree applicable courses at Cuesta.

This flyer provides answers to frequently asked questions about the Enrichment program that may assist you.

Enrichment Admission Process begins:
- October 1 for Fall Semester
- April 1 for Summer Session
- October 1 for Spring Semester

Thank you for beginning your college career at Cuesta College!
High School Approval Process

Meet with High School Counselor
The student should visit his or her high school guidance counselor for recommendation and approval of “advanced scholastic” Cuesta College courses. Cuesta defines “advanced scholastic” as degree applicable and/ or transfer courses. Non-degree, non-transfer, and kinesiology (physical education) activity are not eligible. Review age-restricted courses at the Cuesta website.

Review Prerequisite Requirements
The high school counselor should review Cuesta College’s prerequisite requirements. English and math courses require special approval on the Permit to Enroll. All course recommendations must be based upon prior academic history. AP exam scores of 3 or above may also be used for placement. In addition to the principal or authorized designee recommendation, students must also complete the online enrichment module and attach proof of completion to the Permit to Enroll.

Complete Permit to Enroll Form
Approved courses should be entered on Cuesta College’s Permit to Enroll form. course subject and number (i.e. ENGL 201A) and alternative course selections in case first-choice courses are unavailable. The Permit to Enroll is available online at www.cuesta.edu, by searching for “Dual Enrollment.”

Obtain Authorized Signatures
The Permit to Enroll form requires a combination of signature approvals including the student, parent and/or guardian, and high school principal. All signatures of approval are required.

Complete Age Restriction Petition
If a student wishes to enroll in a course with an age-restriction, an approved petition with instructor approval for the specific CRN must be submitted with the Permit to Enroll.

Submit Permit to Enroll
Completed forms should be submitted to the Admissions and Records Office at Cuesta. Allow five (5) days processing for the Permit to Enroll form. Login to myCuesta and go to “Registration Status” to view approved courses.

Enrichment Admission Process

Admission Application
An admission application and Permit to Enroll form is required by Enrichment students each semester or summer session. Students must first apply online via the Cuesta website to begin the admission process. After the application is submitted, an email acknowledgement will be sent to the student with their Cuesta student ID number and login information to the myCuesta portal. The Cuesta ID number must be provided on the Permit to Enroll form.

Submit Official (sealed) Transcripts
Send official transcripts and AP scores if required for prerequisite clearance. Mail to the Cuesta College Records Office, PO Box 8106, San Luis Obispo CA 93403-8106.

Placement Process
Enrichment students must receive appropriate course recommendation from the high school, complete the online Enrichment Student Orientation, and attach proof of completion to the Permit to Enroll: http://bit.ly/cuestaenrichment

Counseling
A Cuesta College academic counselor is available on a walk-in basis for advisement or by appointment. Visit the Counseling website.

Register
Enrichment students are not eligible for early priority registration and register after all currently enrolled Cuesta College and new/returning college students. Enrichment student registration dates are posted online and may be viewed by the student in myCuesta under “Check Registration Status.”

Fees
Cuesta College waives the enrollment and student representation fee for Enrichment students. Students buy their own textbooks and supplies, and pay other mandatory fees at the time of registration. Those fees include health center, student center, and course material fees. Enrichment students are eligible for non-resident tuition exemption upon petition, except for F1 or M1 Visa students. Contact the Admissions Office at 805.546.3140 for more information.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the maximum number of units an Enrichment student can enroll in?
A: For fall/spring semesters, a maximum of 11.999 credits allowed and summer session, a maximum of 9.0 credits is allowed.

Q: Can I petition to enroll beyond the maximum units?
A: No, Enrichment students may not appeal to enroll beyond the maximum credits allowed for a term.

Q: Is financial aid available for Enrichment students?
A: No, Enrichment students may not appeal to enroll beyond the maximum credits allowed for a term.

Q: What other restrictions exist?
A: Prerequisites - Enrichment students must meet all course prerequisite requirements and request prerequisite clearance prior to registering for specified math, English, and science courses. Prerequisite requirements are posted online at www.cuesta.edu by course in Find Classes.

Age-Restricted Courses - Specified courses have age restrictions for Enrichment students. Enrichment students must be the required age or older for the course(s) identified on the “Age Restricted Course List for Enrichment Students” as of the start of the semester/session not the start of the course. Example: If the semester begins August 13, 2018, student must be the required age on or prior to August 13, 2018. Students may petition to the instructor for enrollment in age-restricted courses. The listing of courses and petition is posted online at: www.cuesta.edu.

Q: What if I am home-schooled?
A: Students who are home schooled must include a copy of a current Private School Affidavit with their Permit to Enroll form. If privately tutored, a copy of the tutor’s teaching credential should be attached to the Permit to Enroll form.