Dual Enrollment Considerations 2026-2027

Please read all information below prior to committing to taking a college class through Dual Enrollment. This is a college class to meet a high school requirement and requires more independent time management & work completion than a high school or AP course.

- **Classes are taught by professors, not VHS teachers**
    - All communication must be through the professor- *we highly recommend proactive communication and not waiting until a due date has passed or the day before an assignment/assessment takes place.*
    - The professor determines your final grade in the course
    - If you miss assignments or assessments it will likely have a negative impact on your final grade- please review your professor's syllabus the first week of class to ensure you understand expectations
    - The professor will only communicate with you, the student, *not the parent/guardian*
- **Health 011 & History 044 are online & asynchronous**
    - Since there is no "live" instruction, students should be able to learn through reading, watching videos & reviewing information provided in Canvas
    - If you need assistance, you must attend the professor's office hours or set up an individual appointment using the form of communication given in the syllabus
    - These courses meet our graduation requirements for Health & Ethnic Studies
- **Comm C1000 & Humanities 031/030/Philos 001**
    - Comm C1000 takes place in the fall, the other class will take place in the spring
    - These courses meet two different IGETC requirements (transfer requirements from community college to UC or CSU campuses)
    - If you need assistance, you must talk to the professor on the days they are in class, attend the professor's office hours or set up an individual appointment using the form of communication given in the syllabus
    - The course meets at VHS period 2 with a VHS teacher monitoring student attendance & progress
        - Monday & Wednesday are in person lecture days with the West LA College professor at VHS
        - Friday is a hybrid day with assigned work, but professor not on campus
        - Tuesday & Thursday are days to work on long term assignments for the class & review materials with classmates
- **College courses require more student management**
    - Ability to complete work by deadlines without regular reminders
    - Ability to advocate and ask questions via written communication
    - Ability to reach out for tutoring or guidance- students have access to West LA services as Dual Enrollment students

    - Ability to access course materials from home via Canvas
- **College course benefits**
    - GPA augmentation for all Dual Enrollment courses listed above is .05 per class (only if you pass the class with a C or better)
    - Demonstrate ability to successfully complete college level work
    - Complete transferable units to UC & CSU campuses
- **Considerations, Reminders, & Best Practice**
    - Set reminders in your phone, using a planner or something visual so you don't forget assignment deadlines
    - Have access to your LACCD 900 ID# and password for Canvas & SIS account saved someplace safe
    - Create weekly schedules and share contact information with one other classmate to make sure you have a support person to work with during the summer
    - Students have access to West LA services as Dual Enrollment students so feel free to utilize their online tutoring services and supports
    - If you have an IEP, you can submit your most recent IEP to the DSPS Office by starting an online application. They will determine if you will receive accommodations- start this process ASAP
    - The professor is the person providing access to course materials, completing grading, and supporting students- not a VHS teacher or counselor
    - We provide you with a textbook-keep it safe! You are responsible for returning it the last week of the semester to the textbook room or you will be charged
    - All final grades will be sent via West LA College to me- VHS will enter those grades into your VHS transcript once received
- **Important Links & Websites**
    - Canvas: where you access your online course materials, syllabus, grades, professor communication, etc. This is the equivalent of Schoology for LACCD. See additional information handout on how to navigate Canvas.
    - Login information: Username is your LACCD ID # & Password is what you set when logging into SIS the first time to enroll in your class
    - SIS: where you would log in to drop/add/manage classes, review your unofficial transcript, etc.
    - Login information: Username is your LACCD ID # & Password is what you set when logging into SIS the first time to enroll in your class
    - Password Reset: If you forget your password to access either site above, you'll need to request a password reset. You will need your LACCD ID # & VHS school email address
    - The password reset will allow you to create a new password the next time you log in to SIS. Your reset password is that default password (First Initial Capitalized +

Last Initial Capitalized + Birth Month Capitalized first letter + Day of Birth- two digits + @LACCD!)
    - Example for Student Jane Doe with a July 4 birthday: JDJuly04@LACCD!
- **Important Dates & Deadlines *(add these to your calendar)***
    - First day of class: 8/31/2026
    - Last date to drop this class without a "W": 9/13/2026
        - This would remove the student from the class and there would be no record on the student's LACCD or LAUSD transcript
        - *You must notify Ms. Simon-Meyer if you drop*
    - Last date to drop with a "W": 11/22/2026 *(anticipated)*
        - This would remove the student from the class and there would be a W on the the student's transcript with LACCD and no record of a grade on their LAUSD transcript
        - *You must notify Ms. Simon-Meyer if you drop*
    - Last day of class: 12/20/2026 (last day of semester, but final exam will likely be on different day- see syllabus)
        - Whatever final grade is earned (A, B, C, D, F) would be on the student's LACCD and LAUSD transcript