

# **Post-Secondary Program Options for High School Students**

College & Career Pathways 2018

# Community College of Vermont (CCV)

## Intro to College and Career Studies (ICS) course

*ICS prepares students for college by helping them set goals, problem-solve, manage time and stress, improve communication skills, take better notes, reduce test anxiety, and plan financially.*

- Free to all Vermont high school students, including the textbook
- Offered every semester throughout Vermont
- Prepares students for success in dual enrollment courses and college
- Ideal for high school sophomores to prepare them for college courses available their junior and senior years

Questions? Contact [Natalie Searle](#) at CCV at (802) 885-8368

# Vermont Dual Enrollment Program

*Allows VT residents who are publicly funded high school students access to college credit-bearing courses while receiving high school & college credit.*

Under the Flexible Pathways Initiative (Act 77), Dual Enrollment:

- Offers up to two tuition-free courses (using dual enrollment vouchers) for eligible Vermont students who are juniors or seniors in a high school, CTE Center or the Home Study Program (home study students must have an enrollment notice on file at the Agency of Education to be eligible for vouchers)
- Offers courses at 19 participating colleges/universities in Vermont
- Provides up to 4 credits per course
- Students pay for textbooks and lab and materials fees
- Students must apply and be approved for a voucher through the Dual Enrollment System

**Questions? Contact your high school guidance counselor**

# Fast Forward Program

*Allows VT residents who are enrolled in Career Technical Education (CTE) programs to get high school & college credit for college courses taught by a CTE teacher at the regional CTE centers.*

Fast Forward is funded by Carl D. Perkins for federal and state career and technical education programs of study:

- Technical Center Students ONLY
- Up to two free courses (using Fast Forward tickets) per eligible Vermont student during the school year
- This is for concurrent enrollment only (on-site at the Tech Center with the CTE instructor as approved adjunct instructor)
- Courses can be taken through CCV and Vermont Tech ONLY
- Only specific courses are eligible, which are part of targeted programs of study leading to associate degrees at CCV or Vermont Tech

**Questions? Contact your local Career Technical Education Center**

# Early College Program

*Students receive a high school diploma and complete a year of college at the same time.*

Through the Flexible Pathways Initiative (Act 77), Early College is available to eligible Vermont high school seniors tuition-free:

- Students must get permission from their high school principal to participate
- Students apply for admission to one of 7 colleges offering the Early College program
- Student must enroll in courses full-time for both the fall and spring semesters
- Students pay for textbooks, lab fees, materials fees, and any other costs associated
- Courses must satisfy high school graduation requirements so that students graduate from high school at the end of the spring semester
- Students must un-enroll from high school and re-enroll at the end of spring semester to get their high school diploma

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# Vermont Academy of Science and Technology (VAST) program offered at Vermont Technical College (VTC)

*At VAST, students receive a high school diploma and complete a year of college through VTC at the same time.*

- VAST is an independent, accredited high school exclusively for high school seniors
- Students have the option to get a diploma from VAST or VAST and their sending school. If they choose to receive the sending school diploma, they would need to re-enroll in their sending school to receive the diploma.
- Available to Vermont seniors at no charge for tuition (can apply as a junior)
- Students cover the cost of books and any applicable fees.
- Areas of focus are math and science but all VTC majors are open to VAST students including undeclared.

Questions? Contact [Steven Airoidi](#) at VTC at (802) 728-1337

# Thank You!

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