



Eastern Connecticut State University

Guidelines on Gifted Middle and High School Students Taking University Courses

RATIONALE: These guidelines have been developed to enable gifted and talented students of middle and high school age to attend regular university level courses as non-matriculated students.*

Criteria and Process for Getting Permission to Enroll in Courses

1. The students must submit a written recommendation from the school counselor or principal indicating why and how the student will benefit from taking university courses.
2. The student must speak with the course instructor and receive written permission to attend the course.
3. The student can enroll for one or more courses each semester or summer session by submitting the required written documentation (letter(s) from counselor or principal, instructor and completed registration form) to the Dean of the School of Continuing Education, who then gives the final approval to enroll in the course(s).
4. Approval to enroll is granted on a space available basis.
5. The student can audit the course or enroll for credit.
6. Whether the course is taken for audit or credit, the student will pay all applicable tuition and fees.
7. A copy of the student's grade record will be forwarded to the school counselor or principal who recommended the student.
8. The student must present a copy of these guidelines to the school counselor or principal who will be recommending the student and the course instructor when requesting approval to attend course(s).
9. Permission is granted only to attend the approved course(s). It does not extend to other services or activities offered by the University.

*Guidelines do not apply to WHIP (Windham High School Incentive Program) students.