



FGCU Collegiate Academy Virtual Parent Information Session
Q&A Section
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Question #1: Can the students take all of the classes at FGCU?

Answer: When a course is offered on BSHS' campus, and needed for high school graduation or is a required for completion of FGCU's general core curriculum, students will take the course on the BSHS campus. For example Comp I, Comp 2, and College Algebra would fall into this category.

Question #2: Can students attend summer semesters as well?

Answer: No. This is not available within the scope of our program.

Question #3: Are students allowed to participate in the clubs on campus?

Answer: Yes! Provided they do not have a course scheduled during the time the club meets after school.

Question #4: If we have already earned the scores, do we need to take the math placement test?

Answer: If you have earned the required ACT and/or SAT scores to participate in dual enrollment through FGCU, no other test are needed for course placement.

Question #5: Is the application online supposed to say "action required" still and will the CA HS authorization form, HS transcript, and ACT/SAT score be submitted by the BSHS?

Answer: Yes we are aware that it says "action required." This was put there prior to the application having the ability to upload documents. The HS Authorization form and transcripts are sent by BSHS counselors.

Question #6: Is art appreciation mandatory for the seniors and if so are we going to be able to pick set days to take the class or will we still have to follow the even and odd schedule?

Answer: The Art Appreciation course is not a mandatory course, however, it does satisfy a humanity credit that will count towards the 9 hours of humanities that are required.

Question #7: Will BSHS students have 2 email accounts? (One for BSHS and one for FGCU?)

Answer: Yes, the students will need to consistently check all communication avenues for BSHS as well as their email account for FGCU.

Question #8: As students are choosing classes will they be aware of the times electives are offered at BSHS... i.e. Band, Aerospace?

Answer: The times and periods for the FGCU courses are determined first and then everything else if built around them. This creates a schedule with a higher probability of other electives being available around these courses. We may not be able to accommodate 100% of the potential requests but we will do our best to provide students with an opportunity to take classes they are interested in.

Question #9: When are we going to take the math placement test?

Answer: The only scenario where a math placement would be needed is if the June 13th ACT is canceled. In the event that the test gets canceled, FGCU will provide BSHS administration with a plan on how and when math placement exams will be taken.

Question #10: What is the max amount of credit hours a student can take per week/ semester?

Answer: The minimum number of credit hours is 12 and the maximum is 16.

Question #11: Will our FGCU advisor appointment help us with deciding our major? Can we go through the program with an undecided major but still take classes that interest us? For example, can we go through with an undeclared/undecided major but still take some psychology or music courses?

Answer: Yes to all of these questions. Your advisor is there to help you through the process and decide on a path that will maximize your experience for what you would like to do in the future and what interests you at that point in time.

Question #12: If you want to follow a premed/bio BA track, is there flexibility in selecting courses from the FGCU Course Map guidance?

Answer: The Bio track in particular is pretty rigid. However, there are a lot of different paths you can take to pursue premed. We suggest you speak to your advisor about all of the various paths you can take to get to where you want to be.

Question #13: Can I contact my child's professor?

Answer: No matter if the FGCU faculty member works at BSHS or at FGCU's campus, the child will be the one responsible for communicating with their professors. Due to FERPA laws, nothing can be shared or discussed with the parent.

Question #14: Is it possible to test out of college algebra and take a higher level math class like Statistics or Calculus?

Answer: Yes. Your ACT/SAT scores may place you in a higher math than College Algebra.

Question #15: How can parents check their student's grades?

Answer: Ask your child if you can see their grades. There is no other way for parents to be able to view grades. Due to FERPA, none of your child's information for their dual enrollment courses can be shared by FGCU or BSHS. Only the student knows their grades while the course is in-progress. The FGCU Team (Exploratory Advising and the Office of Undergraduate Studies) do not have access to grades until the professor posts final grades at the end of the semester once the term closes. BSHS does not have access to the student's current grades until the close of the semester when they are uploaded to their record.

Question #16: What time of day A&P and SGA will be? Will they conflict if she ends up doing both?

Answer: As stated above we will do our best to set up electives to be available in spots that allows for dual enrolled students to enroll in them. We will most likely not be able to accommodate for every scenario.

Question #17: At what point might we know that this June test is cancelled and if it is, when would registration for fall classes begin?

Answer: This will be determined by ACT. At this point we will have to assume the test will be administered. Course registration will start June 1st. Each student that applies will have an appointment with an advisor to schedule their classes. If the needed ACT score is not obtained, the student will be dropped from the selected FGCU courses and will be given a high school schedule.

Question #18: If my son as a junior takes 12 credits, that would be 4 classes, right? If so, would he go every other day to BSHS or every day half day, since we have block schedule and 8 classes?

Answer: In a scenario with four 3 hour classes, he would have 12 hours. The schedule for that could look different for each student. Once he meets with his advisor and chooses his classes, only then, would he know the meeting times of the classes.

Question #19: What high school classes will we still take to get the high school diploma (ex.World History) and where will we complete them?

Answer: Students that still need to take World History or other graduation requirements have a few different options to meet those requirement. You could take World History at FGCU or BSHS. Please see your BSHS counselor to discuss your options for any graduation requirement you are missing.

Question #20: Will there be final exams for every class this year?

Answer: The school district has canceled all final exams for all courses that are non-dual enrollment courses.