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School Within a College: Dual Credit Programs



GRAND RIVER REGION'S RESPONSE
TO THE CHALLENGE

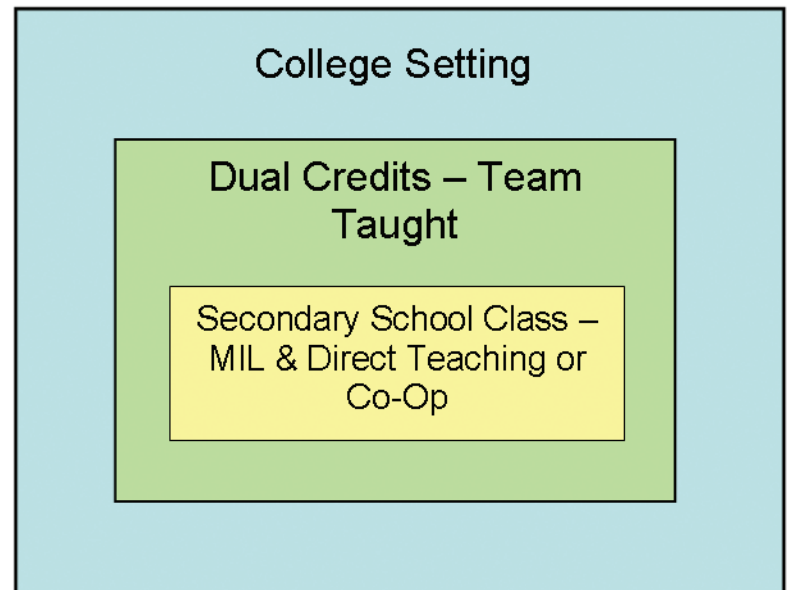
SCHOOL COLLEGE WORK INITIATIVE

School Within a College

The Grand River Region School Within a College (SWAC) is a partnership among Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board, Grand Erie District School Board, Fanshawe College, Simcoe and Mohawk College, Brantford. Programs are offered as full days in the college setting. Students engage in a dual credit program based on their pathway choice. Students are in a congregated class and take the entire program as a group with one secondary teacher as their primary contact. Secondary staffing is provided by both boards equally. There are two components.

Dual Credits

These are team-taught by college professors and Secondary teachers. The college staff takes the lead and the secondary teacher supports the program in a wide variety of ways including curriculum alignment student support, partner teacher. Sometimes the teacher also delivers a module that may not be included in the college component to enhance the experience and ensure all core expectations are included. Assessment and Evaluation are a joint effort with each responsible for reporting to their respective institutions.



Secondary Credits

Students take additional credits taught by the secondary teacher. These are designed to meet the needs of the students. They include learning experiences which enhance the pathway chosen by the students in the particular class. This is accomplished by a combination of direct teaching (usually English and/or Math), credit recovery and monitored independent learning (MIL). This combination of approaches allows students to focus on the English and Math needed to accomplish their OSSD and qualify for the next step programs they may want to enter, as well as to complete other courses they may need to graduate.

Target Group

The target group for SWAC includes students who:

- are 17 – 20 years of age who have not completed the OSSD
- may be considering or already dropped out
- are motivated to improve work skills and build self confidence
- are capable of working at the College or Apprenticeship level
- have an interest in exploring a career path offered through the program



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APPLICATION PROCESS

Students apply through the Guidance Counselor at their home school.

The process includes:

1. The student completes an application form;
2. The guidance counselor completes and forwards a referral form including a current transcript;
3. The teacher and college professor, along with the Student Success Teacher, interview each student to assess the appropriateness of the referral and accept individuals into the program or suggest other alternatives. This gives the educators and the students an opportunity to consider the appropriateness of the placement.



There is a significant commitment by students who are successful.

Program Options

SWAC programs are evolving based on identified need and the availability of the college to offer the program focus. Currently we have 1 semester programs in the following areas:

- Business,
- Human Services,
- Manufacturing and Construction Trades
- Facilities Maintenance Trades
- Apprenticeship Top-Up Options



Model B:

Dual credit based on team-teaching of matched college and secondary curriculum.

Program	Location	Secondary Credits	College Credits
Business	Fanshawe College Simcoe	The Digital Environment (BTA30) Multimedia Solutions (BTX4C)	The Marketing of Packages (PCKG 10001) Design Applications (GRAP 10004) Information Technology for Business (INFO 10048) Success Strategies (ASI01) College Communications (COMM 10092) Marketing Principles (MRKT MCS08)
Human Services	Mohawk College Brantford	Individuals & Families in a Diverse Society (HHS4M) Navigating the Workplace (GLN40)	Canadian Families: Change & Diversity (SOCI3003) Self Management/Self Direction (SKLS0004) Preparation for Helping (BSCI1014)
Trades 1	Mohawk College Brantford	Manufacturing Technology (TMJ4C) Construction Technology (TMJ4C)	Career Explorations (Pre-Apprent) (MECH10013) Manufacturing (MECH10012) Career Explorations (Pre-Apprent Construction) (MECH10012)
Trades 2	Mohawk College Brantford	Navigating the Workplace (GLN40) + Up to 4 Co-op credits	Building & Facilities Maintenance (Pre-App.) (MANU10024)

Model C:

Dual credit based on college-delivered apprenticeship training involving dedicated role for secondary teachers.

Program	Location	Secondary Credits	College / Apprenticeship
Industrial Maintenance Mechanic	Mohawk College Brantford	0 __ 4 T	Level I App. Industrial Maintenance Mechanic 433A
Machinist	Mohawk College Brantford	0 __ 4 T	Level I App. Machinist 429A
Roofing	Mohawk College Brantford	0 __ 4 T	Level I App. Roofer 449A



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