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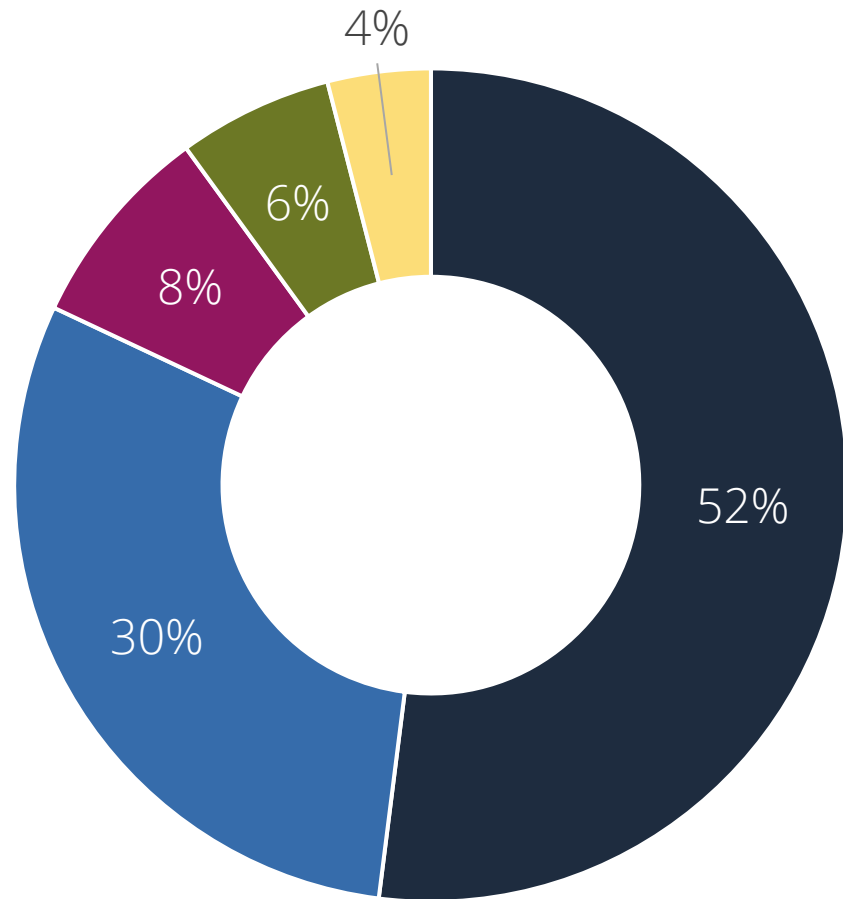
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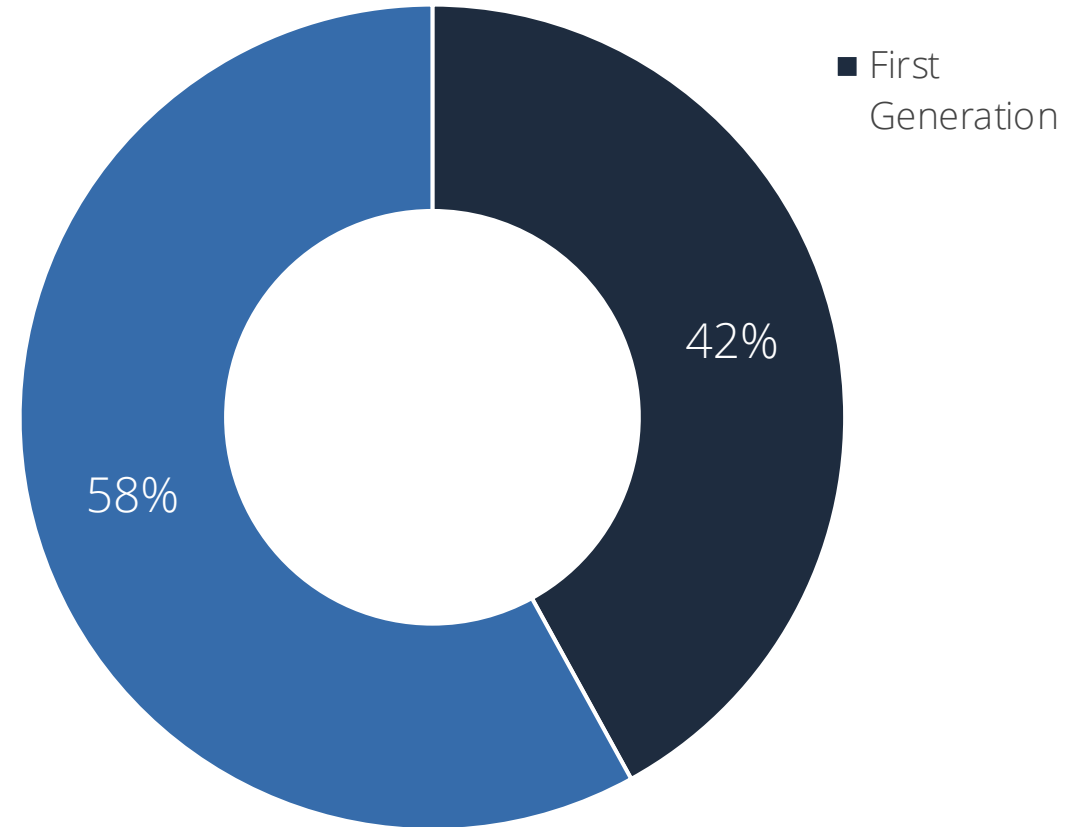
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EXPERIENCE COLLEGE **BEFORE COLLEGE**

OUR MISSION
To increase the number and diversity of students who engage in learning experiences aligned with the expectations of leading research universities.

2022-2023 ONRAMPS COHORT

- Latino — 52%
- White — 30%
- Black — 8%
- Asian — 6%
- Multiracial — 4%

- First Generation — 42%
- (White) — 58%

As of the Spring Census Date

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THE PURPOSE OF ONRAMPS

Established by The University of Texas at Austin, OnRamps has a decade's worth of experience helping students *experience college before college.*

- ✓ **Prepare** for the demands of college and the workforce

- ✓ **Earn** college credit transferable to any public higher education institution in Texas, per its credit-based policies

- ✓ **Improve** academic and social and emotional learning outcomes

- ✓ **Support** teachers through effective learning strategies that impact engagement and attendance

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A MODEL THAT WORKS

2x

Research shows that students who enter college with credit from a dual credit course are **two times more likely to graduate in four years** than students entering without credit.

COLLEGE STANDARDS

Developed by The University of Texas at Austin Faculty

Modeled after existing residential University courses

INNOVATIVE PEDAGOGY

OnRamps Instructors are taught classroom practices that stimulate active engagement, rich discussion, and learning retention

Students are taught to take ownership of their learning and persist through academic challenges

TECHNOLOGY-ENHANCED EDUCATION

Students learn digital literacy and become familiar with an array of programs and technology tools used in modern college and career settings

ALIGNED COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

With support from their Instructors and OnRamps staff, students are empowered to become self-advocates and are held to the same academic and social standards as residential college students
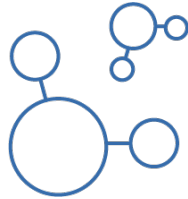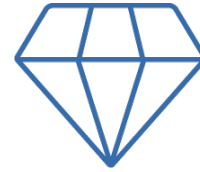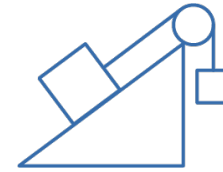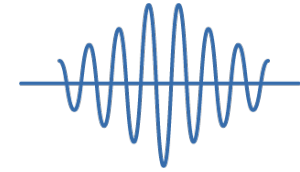
OUR COURSES

BIOLOGY*

CHEMISTRY I*

CHEMISTRY II*
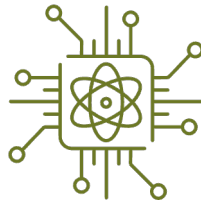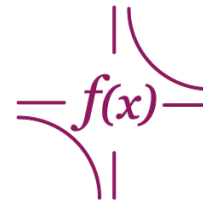
GEOSCIENCE

PHYSICS I*

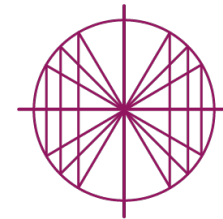PHYSICS II

AET
(Arts & Entertainment
Technologies)

COMPUTER
SCIENCE

QUANTUM
COMPUTING

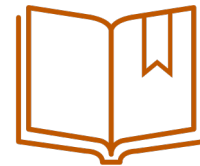COLLEGE
ALGEBRA

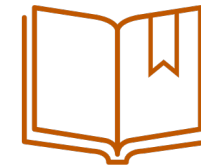PRECALCULUS

STATISTICS

ECONOMICS
(Piloting 2023-2024)

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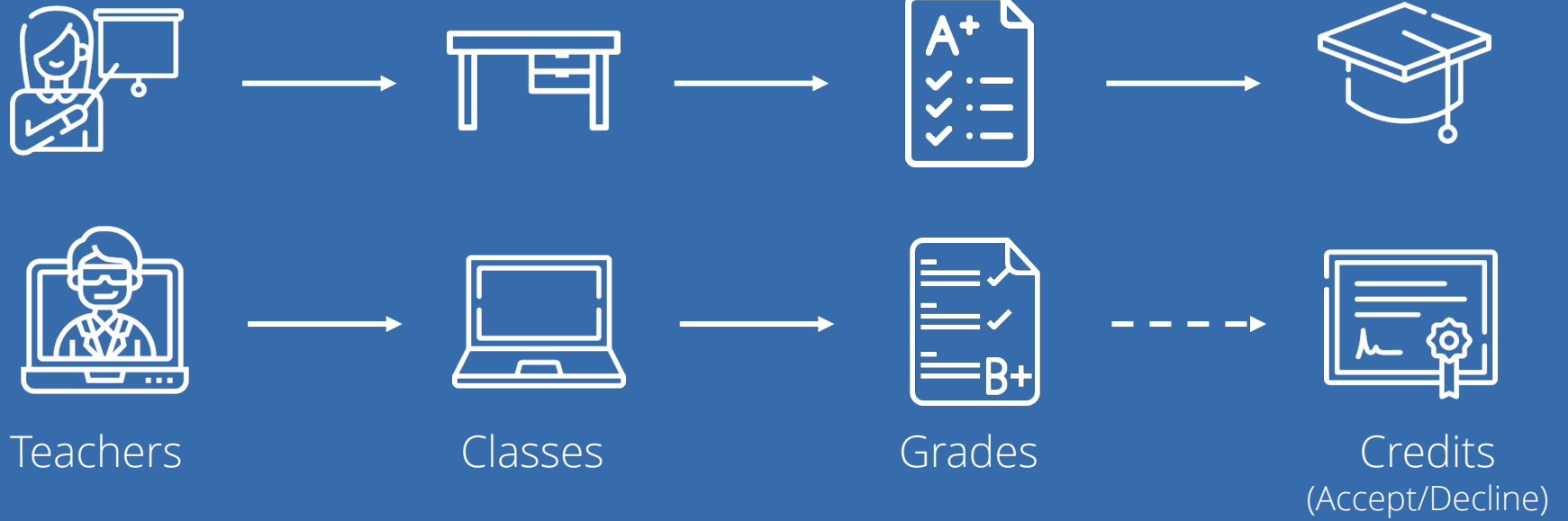(Fall)

HISTORY
(Spring)

RHETORIC
(Fall)

RHETORIC
(Spring)

*Course includes a lab

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DUAL ENROLLMENT

Teachers → Classes → Grades → Credits (Accept/Decline)

DUAL CREDIT

Teacher → Class → Grade → Credit

ADVANCED PLACEMENT
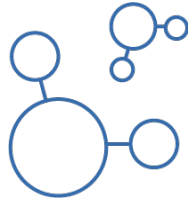
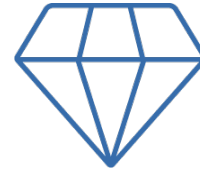Teacher → Class → Exam Score → Credit (Exam score of 3+)
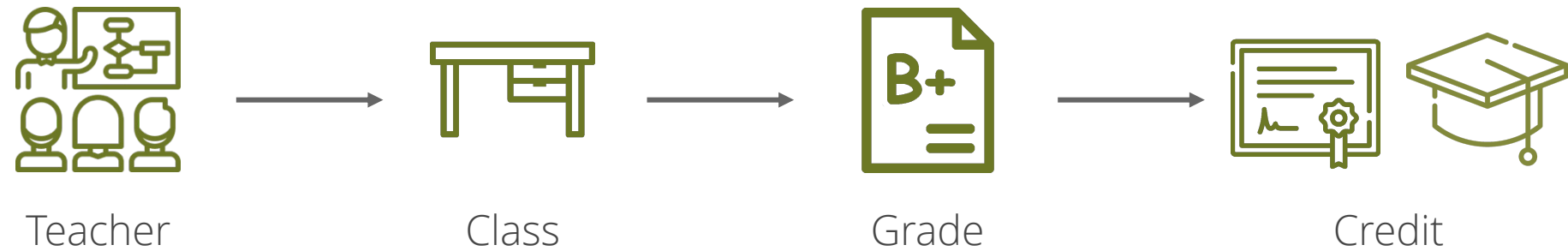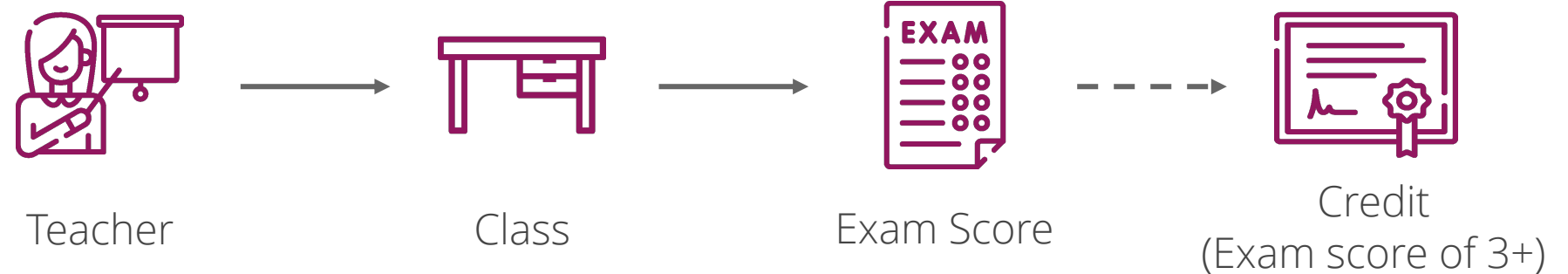
YEARLONG COURSES

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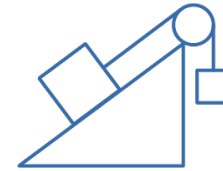
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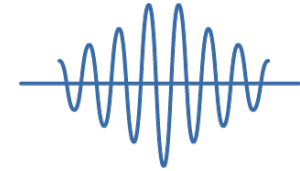
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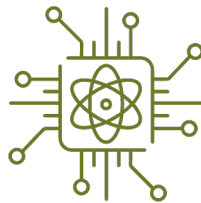
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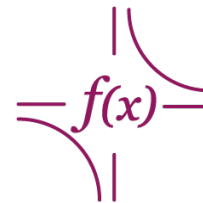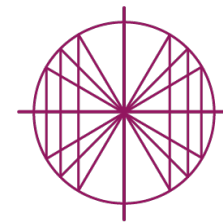
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YEARLONG COURSE MILESTONES

AUG/SEPT
Yearlong and Fall
Course Registration

JAN/FEB
Eligibility

MAY
Accept or
Decline Credit

AUG   SEPT   OCT   NOV   DEC   JAN   FEB   MAR   APR   MAY

MAY
College Grade

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High School
Course Grade
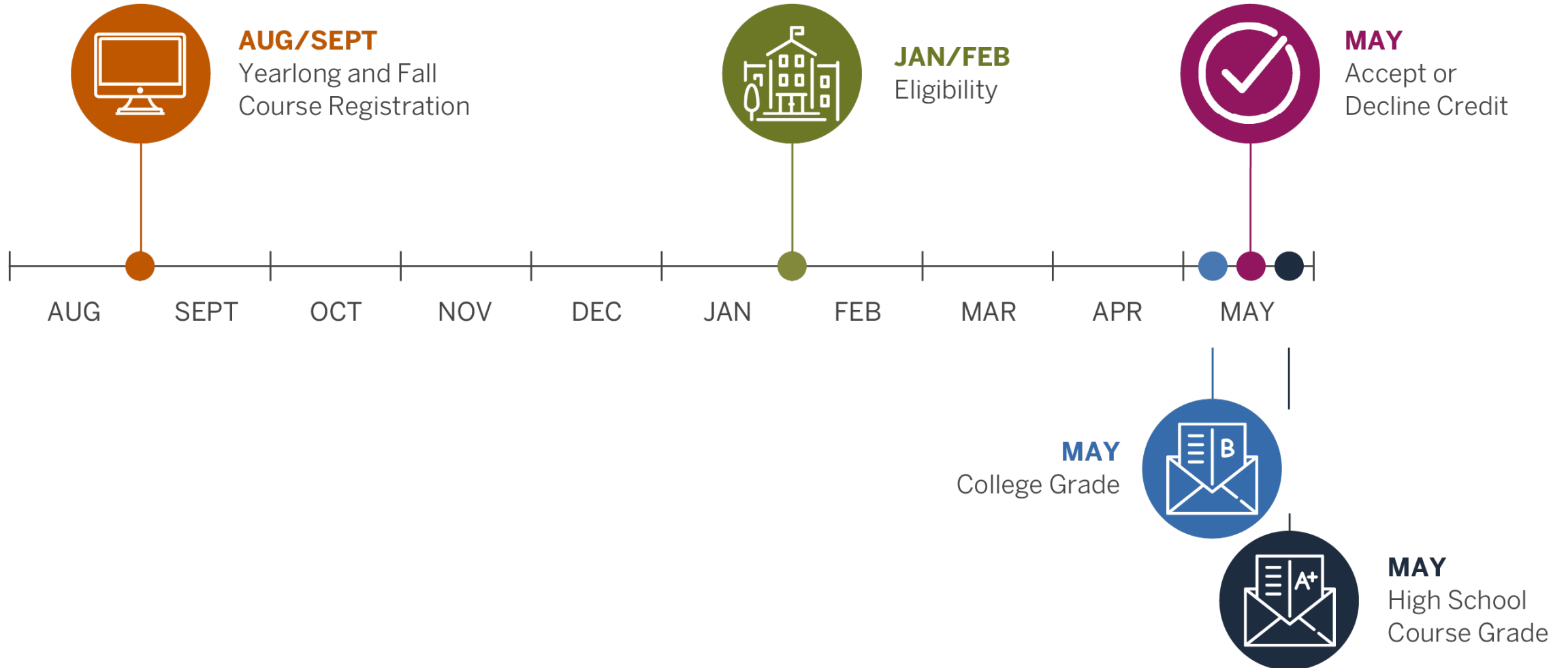
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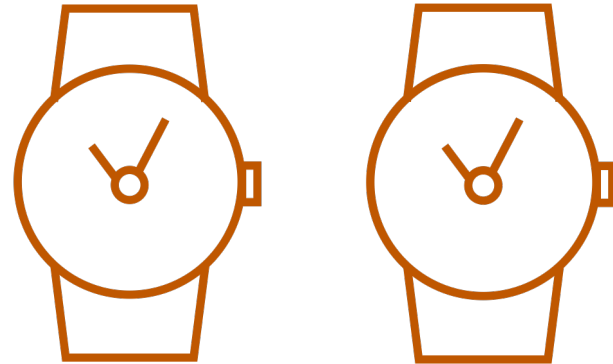
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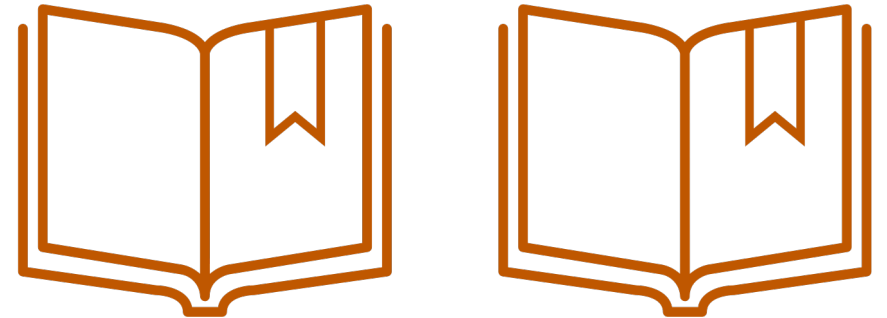
RHETORIC (Fall & Spring)

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SEMESTER COURSE MILESTONES

AUG/SEPT
Fall Course
Registration

DEC/JAN
Spring Course
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JAN/FEB
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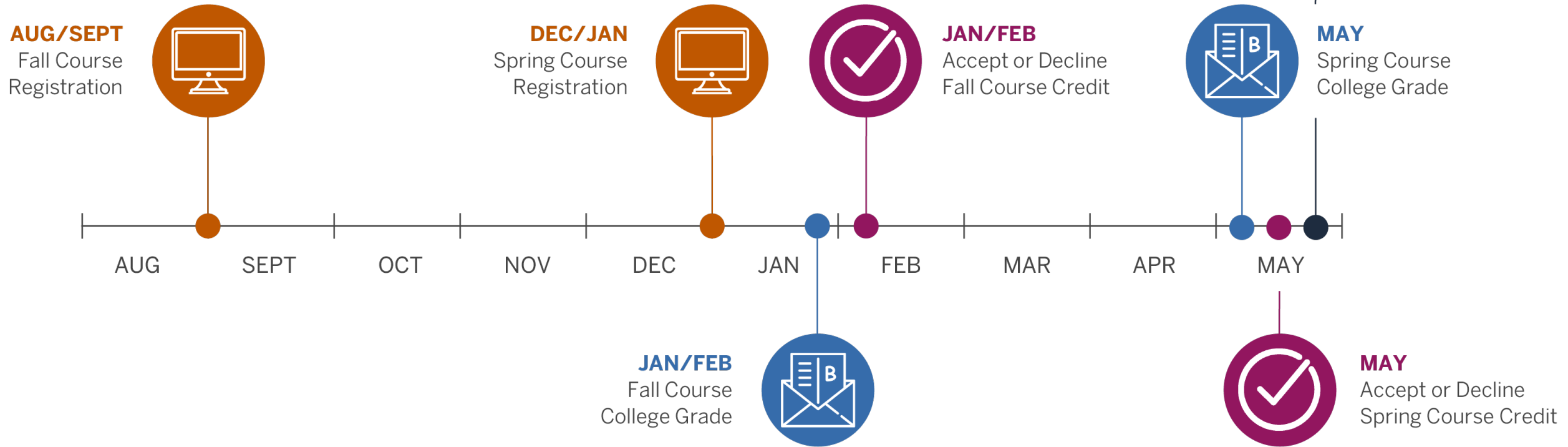
REDUCING EARLY COLLEGE ACCESS BARRIERS

Enrollment Requirements

No application or test required; students only need to complete prerequisite high school courses to enroll

Accommodations (IDA, 504)

Individualized and based on the student's needs for both the high school and college courses

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REDUCING BARRIERS

TSI Exemption via OnRamps

Earned and accepted college course credit in certain OnRamps courses may exempt students from taking the TSI Assessment

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BENEFITS TO STUDENTS

- ✓ Develop college-level skills in time management, collaboration, studying strategies, and data literacy, among others.

- ✓ Become more creative and persistent problem-solvers.

- ✓ Make connections between course concepts and real-world experiences.

- ✓ Gain expertise in current tools and software used in today's workplace.

- ✓ Develop agency and learn how to advocate for solutions and themselves.

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COLLEGE CREDIT EARNED

92%

OnRamps awarded over 80,000 semester credit hours in 2021-2022, and 92% of eligible students earned college credit.

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ONRAMPS TRANSFERABILITY

✓ College credits earned through OnRamps courses are transferable to public and private colleges in Texas and out-of-state institutions.

✓ Most OnRamps courses fulfill core curriculum requirements. Public colleges in Texas require 42 hours of core curriculum courses for all students pursuing an undergraduate degree.

✓ Students who earn and accept OnRamps credit will have an official university transcript.

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SUPPORTING STUDENT TRANSFERABILITY

We provide resources to OnRamps students when they are choosing to accept or decline their credit.

We encourage them to answer these questions for each institution they are interested in attending:

1. How does it transfer?

2. How does it count towards my degree plan?

3. How will it affect my GPA?

COLLEGES ATTENDED

COST SAVINGS PER COURSE

An OnRamps course costs less than 15% of the average college class—based on average tuition, fees, and textbook costs for a three-hour college class at Texas public four-year universities.*
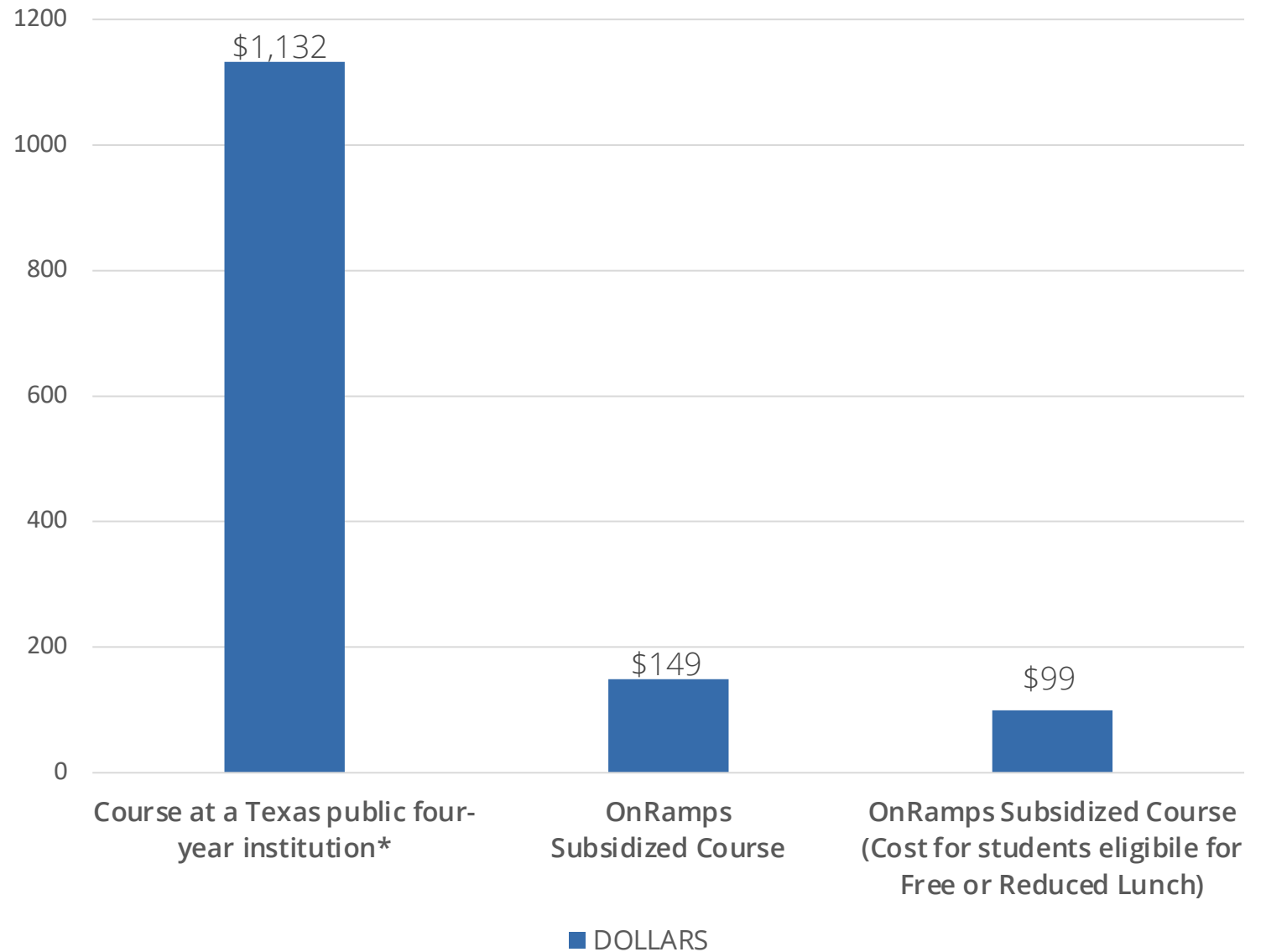
*Per College for All Texans 2022-2023 data

| | Course at a Texas public four-year institution* | OnRamps Subsidized Course | OnRamps Subsidized Course (Cost for students eligibile for Free or Reduced Lunch) |

Values shown: $1,132 / $149 / $99

Legend: ■ DOLLARS

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