



College Now/Dual Credit U.S. History



Dear College Now Students and Parents,

Ridge Point High School now has multiple options for students to fulfill their United States History requirements in high school, including an opportunity for Ridge Point students to earn college credit while still in high school. **College Now/Dual Credit U.S. History** is actually two courses in one. Students will be simultaneously enrolled in U.S. History to satisfy their high school requirements while also getting college credit for History 1301 in the Fall and History 1302 in the Spring. Both History 1301 and History 1302 are accredited through either Houston Community College or Wharton County Junior College and transferrable to almost all major colleges in the United States, including all public universities in the state of Texas. This opportunity allows the students to earn six hour of college credit during their junior year in high school without the added pressures of taking and passing spring AP course exams. **As of Feb, 1, 2016, there are no tuition fees for HCC courses at Ridge Point HS!!**

In order to be eligible, students must meet the requirements of admission established by either HCC or Wharton County JC. To begin the process of enrollment, students must fill out an application with ApplyTexas. The RPHS counselor and registrar must also be aware of your interest.

College Now is a college-level course that will require students to read and write about American history using a variety of primary and secondary source materials, similar to the rigor students will encounter in their collegiate endeavors. It is taught at the same high academic standards as most AP courses but also serves as a good introduction for many students who aren't sure about the burdens of taking multiple AP classes at the high school level or who are worried about the pressures of scoring high enough in the spring AP exams to earn college credit for their high school United States History course.

Students can register at Ridge Point for College Now/Dual Credit U.S. History during the course selection process and can complete the enrollment process over the summer but must be enrolled at HCC for History 1301 by the start of the fall semester.

Thank you for your interest in Ridge Point High School's College Now program.

Sincerely,

Craig Sanders
Instructor