

## COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND STEM CONNECT CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

### WHAT IS THE CCRI STEM CONNECT PROGRAM?

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Connect is a concurrent enrollment program that provides qualified high school students the opportunity to take selected credit bearing courses taught by a college approved secondary school instructor in their home high school.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Highly motivated students with an interest in science and technology
- Typically junior or senior standing
- Successful completion of CCRI's Accuplacer testing. Specific course requirements are listed with the concurrent course catalog tab on the RIDE website at [www.ride.ri.gov/dualenrollment](http://www.ride.ri.gov/dualenrollment)

### HOW DO YOU REGISTER?

- High schools work with CCRI to gain approval to offer the course at the high school
- Students work with their school counselor or designated high school staff to enroll in a course
- Interested students complete the CCRI STEM Connect application with required parental and school official signatures
- Students complete Accuplacer testing, administered in their home high school by the CCRI Program Manager, and must meet course criteria prior to enrollment
- Students are enrolled in CCRI course by the CCRI Program Manager

### WHAT IS THE COST OF A CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT COURSE?

- Governor Raimondo's Prepare RI Dual Enrollment Fund provides funding for every qualifying student to take college courses from Rhode Island's public postsecondary institutions as part of their high school requirements at no cost to the student or family. This includes the cost of tuition and application fees.  
**The Prepare RI Dual Enrollment Fund for the 2016-17 school year has been approved as part of Governor Raimondo's budget.**
- The cost of the course textbook and Accuplacer testing are covered by existing STEM Connect program funding.

### WHAT IS THE PROCESS FOR GRANTING CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT CREDIT?

Students should work with their school counselor or designated high school staff to ensure the credits received will count toward high school graduation.

- Students who successfully complete a concurrent enrollment course may request a CCRI transcript with grade, credits and grade point average posted, which are transferable to most other colleges and universities. Official transcripts may be requested by internet, phone, fax, mail, or in person. See [www.ccri.edu/oes/records/onlinetranscript](http://www.ccri.edu/oes/records/onlinetranscript) for more information.
- Visit [www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/transfers](http://www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/transfers) for details on how CCRI credits transfer and to view our transfer articulation agreements with other colleges and universities. More information regarding course transfers among Rhode Island public higher education institutions can be found at [www.ritransfers.org](http://www.ritransfers.org)

### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING A CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT COURSE?

- Students get a head start on college reducing costs and time in college
- Students experience the academic rigor of a college course(s) in their supportive high school environment