

# EARN COLLEGE CREDIT

## DUAL CREDIT

During their senior year, students can participate in the Tech Prep Dual Credit Program at Elgin Community College (ECC) during the school day and receive both high school and college credit. Enrollment in this program is limited, and an application is required. The school district pays for tuition at ECC; students must pay for required supplies, fees, and some textbooks.

ECC offers Tech Prep Dual Credit classes in over 20 career and technical areas. Industry-recognized certification is available in a number of high-demand areas.

## ARTICULATED CREDIT

A number of D300 courses are linked with ECC courses and students may earn college credit for these high school courses by enrolling at ECC after graduation.

Each articulated high school course is the equivalent of an ECC course and meets ECC's learning objectives and task competencies. To receive college credit, students must:

- Complete the articulated high school course with a final grade average of "B" or better each semester.
- Enroll in a degree-seeking program at ECC in the fall semester following graduation (or within 27 months of high school graduation). The high school graduate is entitled to ECC college credit and to accelerated placement at Elgin Community College.

# POTENTIAL CAREERS

This pathway is designed for students interested in becoming professional educators, including elementary teachers, middle school and high school teachers, physical education teachers, music teachers, art teachers, administrators, classroom assistants, and school counselors.



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Pathways

**For more information:**  
[www.d300.org/pathways](http://www.d300.org/pathways)

# ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION Pathway

@ Hampshire & Dundee-Crown High School



DISTRICT 300

# A PATHWAY TO SUCCESS IN COLLEGE AND CAREER

District 300 strives to ensure every student is college and career ready upon graduation. Our pathway programs provide students with the skills to obtain an entry-level job upon graduation and the knowledge to be successful in a college classroom.

## FOUR YEAR SEQUENCE: RECOMMENDED COURSES

Designed to begin in 9th grade; please see a counselor for more detailed information about this sequence of courses.

## THREE YEAR SEQUENCE: RECOMMENDED COURSES

Designed to begin in 10th grade; please see a counselor for more detailed information about this sequence of courses.

### FRESHMAN YEAR

#### **Foundations of Teaching (7860)**

Learn the principles of teaching and learning, the responsibilities and duties of teachers, and the strategies and techniques to deliver knowledge and information. Gain an understanding of instructional planning, the learning environment, assessment, instructional strategies, and career opportunities in the education field.

### SOPHOMORE YEAR

#### **Educational Methodology (7861)**

Develop the skills to teach and guide others by developing teaching objectives, designing lesson plans, and experiencing teaching in a controlled environment. Practice teaching strategies, learning styles, time management, and evaluation techniques while exploring opportunities in education careers to develop and expand your career portfolio.

### JUNIOR YEAR

#### **D300 Internship Program (6869 / 6870)**

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### SENIOR YEAR

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### ADDITIONAL ELECTIVE COURSES TO CONSIDER:

**Child Development 1**  
**Child Development 2**  
**Child Development 3**  
**Psychology**  
**Public Speaking**

### COURSES RELATED TO THIS PATHWAY OFFERED IN THE ECC TECH PREP PROGRAM:

**Development of Young Children**  
**Health and Nutrition for Young Children**  
**Introduction to Education**  
**Literacy in Education**

## EXAMPLES OF REGIONAL POST-SECONDARY DEGREES

### ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE (2 YEARS)

**Associate in Arts (University Transfer Degree Program)**

*Elgin Community College*

### BACHELOR'S DEGREE (4 YEARS)

**Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education, Secondary Education, or Special Education**

*Aurora University*

*Judson University*

*Northern Illinois University*

### MASTER'S DEGREE (BACHELOR'S PLUS 2+ YEARS)

**Educational Leadership or Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction**

*Aurora University*

*Northern Illinois University*