

DES MOINES AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAREER ADVANTAGE



**COMPLETE
DMACC
COURSES
IN HIGH
SCHOOL**



**ATTEND
DMACC
TO COMPLETE
ASSOCIATE'S
DEGREE WITHIN
2 YEARS**



**TRANSFER TO
MORE THAN 925
COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES**

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COURSE PLANNER

Use your High School DMACC Degree Tracker to help map out your future coursework leading to a two-year degree. Visit dmacc.edu/careeradvantage for your high school class listings.

▶ High School Freshman/Sophomore

Term: _____	Term: _____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

▶ High School Junior

Term: _____	Term: _____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

▶ High School Senior

Term: _____	Term: _____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

▶ DMACC

_____	DMACC Major: _____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

▶ 4-Year College or University

_____	_____
_____	_____

Senior Checklist

- Complete a FREE Application for Admission at dmacc.edu/apply**

- Complete Required Assessment**
 - ▶ ACT or ACCUPLACER testing must be completed for admission to DMACC. ACCUPLACER testing may be completed at any DMACC campus, free of charge. Photo ID is required.
 - ▶ Complete ALEKS assessment if you plan to register for a Math course and have not completed a college-level Math course in the previous 18 months. Visit www.dmacc.edu/mathplacement for more information.

- Apply for Financial Aid—(FAFSA) Free Application for Federal Student Aid**
 - ▶ Complete application online at fafsa.ed.gov.
 - ▶ Apply for DMACC Foundation Scholarships at dmacc.edu/scholarships.

- Attend Orientation / Register for classes**
 - ▶ Communication will be sent to you following your college acceptance.

For questions, please contact the DMACC Career Advantage Advisor at your high school or visit us at dmacc.edu.

STEP 1

EARN DMACC CREDITS WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL

Thousands of high school students take advantage of DMACC’s dual-enrollment offerings each year, giving them a jump start on their academic and career goals while saving money on college courses.

THREE OPTIONS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO EARN DMACC CREDITS

➔ **AT DMACC** — Take college credit classes at any DMACC Campus or Attendance Center.

➔ **AT YOUR SCHOOL** — DMACC partners with every local area high school to offer dual-credit courses.

➔ **ONLINE** — The Online Career Academy (OLCA) offers high school students the opportunity to take college-level classes at DMACC through an online environment.



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STUDENT TESTIMONIALS
PROFILES FROM HIGH
SCHOOL TO COLLEGE



ASHLEY TRUMAN

Current Ankeny High School Senior

STEPS:

1. Earned DMACC credits while at Ankeny High School
2. Completed Associate of Arts Degree from DMACC
3. Plans to major in Psychology at Iowa State University and aspires to earn a Ph.D.

CAREER ADVANTAGE AND DMACC EXPERIENCE:

Ashley took dual-enrollment courses throughout her four years of high school—without even having to leave Ankeny High School! When she receives her high school diploma in May 2018, she will also have earned her Associate of Arts Degree from DMACC.

“I plan to earn a Ph.D. and to do so faster than I would have, had it not been for DMACC. I would tell future students to not be intimidated by dual-enrollment classes and to take full advantage of them. While they are a little bit more work, it is completely worth it if you like to learn and want to save money.”

STEP 2

ATTEND DMACC TO COMPLETE ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE

No matter what your interests are, DMACC is a great place to build a foundation for a successful education and career path. **Why DMACC?**

QUALITY EDUCATION

With small class sizes, experienced faculty, state-of-the-art facilities, internship possibilities, and even FREE tutoring, DMACC offers students an exceptional academic experience.

AN ASSIGNED ADVISOR

An assigned advisor can help you select classes and pathways to fit your education and career goals.

FOUR-YEAR SCHOOL AMENITIES

Enjoy on-campus clubs, student activities, intramurals, recreation facilities, campus housing and much more!

- ▶ dmacc.edu/clubs
- ▶ dmacc.edu/campusrecreation
- ▶ dmacc.edu/housing

LOWEST TUITION OF ANY COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IN IOWA



DMACC ranked 10th Best Value by valuecolleges.com among 1,717 two-year colleges in the nation.

As of 2017–2018, completing your first two years at DMACC would save you an average of \$7,724 compared to a four-year public school, and \$47,486 compared to a private college.

Source: July 2017 "Iowa College Student Aid Commission"



LABOR MARKET READY

Enter the labor market and improve your earnings sooner than Bachelor's Degree students.

PERSONAL QUALITIES AND SKILLS



Completing your Associate's Degree gives you the opportunity to hone or acquire marketplace skills employers are looking for.

96%

OF DMACC GRADUATES ARE EMPLOYED OR CONTINUING THEIR EDUCATION.

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career programs, certificates and technical programs, as well as liberal arts transfer degrees and preprofessional programs



DYLAN CHRISTOFFERSON

Diesel Technician at Ryder Transportation

STEPS:

1. Participated in the Diesel Technology Career Academy at the Ankeny DMACC Campus (while a student at Ankeny Centennial High School)
2. Completed Associate of Applied Science Degree in Diesel Technology at DMACC
3. Entered the workforce after graduating from DMACC with AAS

CAREER ADVANTAGE AND DMACC EXPERIENCE:

As a senior in high school, Dylan participated in the Diesel Technology Career Academy at the Ankeny DMACC Campus. He graduated Ankeny Centennial High School with a number of DMACC credits, giving Dylan a jumpstart on his AAS degree. Dylan chose to attend DMACC because he knew the school could provide everything he needed to start his career successfully.

"DMACC helped me become more self-sufficient and the Diesel program helped prepare me for what to expect out in the workplace. Being able to attend DMACC gives you the benefits of being able to save money, get the hands-on experience you need for your career, and complete your courses in a reasonable amount of time."

STEP 3

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF DMACC'S COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY TRANSFER PARTNERSHIPS

DMACC is a great place to start if you're planning to pursue a Bachelor's Degree at a four-year college or university. DMACC has prepared students to transfer credits to more than 925 colleges and universities around the country. Research shows that DMACC students who earn a two-year degree are better prepared for the academic rigors of attending a university.

➔ 90% of DMACC graduates who transfer to one of Iowa's state universities **STAY ENROLLED THERE AFTER ONE YEAR.**

➔ According to the National Student Clearinghouse, **TWO-YEAR COLLEGE TRANSFER STUDENTS HAVE A HIGHER FOUR-YEAR GRADUATION RATE** than students who start their education at a university.

If you know your goal is a four-year degree, DMACC has three options to help you get started on that path.

1. ENTER A PARTNERSHIP

DMACC has formalized transfer Partnerships and 2+2 Programs that provide a defined pathway for easy transfer to many colleges and universities across Iowa, including:

- ▶ Iowa State University
- ▶ The University of Iowa
- ▶ The University of Northern Iowa
- ▶ Drake University
- ▶ Grand View University
- ▶ Simpson College
- ▶ Grinnell College
- ▶ Upper Iowa University

2. EARN CREDITS YOU CAN USE TOWARD YOUR DEGREE

Our Course Equivalency Guides and Transfer Counseling help you know what credits transfer to the school you choose to complete your bachelor's degree.

3. EARN A DMACC TRANSFER DEGREE

Associate of Arts (AA) or Associate of Science (AS) Degree

Our Liberal Arts Associate of Arts (AA) and Associate of Science (AS) degrees are our most transferrable degrees.

Transfer-Friendly Degree

In addition to Liberal Arts transfer degrees, DMACC offers a number of other transfer-friendly degrees, including:

- ▶ Business Administration
- ▶ Fitness & Sports Management
- ▶ Criminal Justice
- ▶ Management Information Systems
- ▶ Financial Administration
- ▶ Management
- ▶ Environmental Sciences
- ▶ Marketing

When selecting a transfer degree, always be sure to review the program and admissions requirements of your transfer school.



FOUR-YEAR TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS

Our Four-Year University partners also offer Transfer Scholarship opportunities to transfer students at the university level.

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KYLIE RABE

Sports Chiropractor in Charlotte, North Carolina

STEPS:

1. Earned DMACC credits while at Southeast Polk High School
2. Earned Associate of Science Degree from DMACC
3. Earned undergraduate degree from Grand View University
4. Earned doctoral degree from Palmer College of Chiropractic

CAREER ADVANTAGE AND DMACC EXPERIENCE:

Kylie began taking Career Advantage courses as a sophomore at Southeast Polk. By the time she graduated high school, Kylie had earned 33 college credits! After high school, Kylie chose DMACC because of the numerous opportunities it provided—including being a student athlete, smaller class sizes and minimal student debt. Kylie credits DMACC in being a key factor in allowing her to enter a graduate program with ZERO student loans!

"I was able to take my entire first year of college while still in high school, saving me a lot of student loan debt in the long run. While other students were choosing to take half-days in their senior year, I was taking advanced courses that helped me get awesome scholarships as well! The other advantage I had was graduating with my Doctorate degree at 23!"

NO MATTER WHAT YOU'RE INTERESTED IN, DMACC IS A GREAT PLACE TO START

Transfer

Liberal Arts — AS
 Liberal Arts — AA
 Liberal Arts (AA) Transfer Pathway—
 Still Deciding
 Liberal Arts (AA) Transfer Pathway—
 English & Communications
 Liberal Arts (AA) Transfer Pathway—
 Behavioral Sciences
 Liberal Arts (AS) Transfer Pathway—
 STEM
 Pre-Business
 Pre-Education
 Pre-Engineering
 Pre-Law
 Pre-Medicine

Liberal Arts & Sciences

Liberal Arts (College Transfer)
 Liberal Arts—AA

**DMACC transfer tracks are offered in
 the following disciplines:**

Accounting
 Actuarial Science
 Agriculture
 Agribusiness
 Anthropology
 Architecture
 Art
 Biology
 Business Administration
 Chemistry
 Chiropractic
 Communications
 Computer Science
 Construction Management
 Criminal Justice
 Cultural Studies
 Drama
 Dentistry
 Early Childhood Education
 Economics
 Elementary Education
 Engineering
 English
 Environmental Science
 Finance
 Fitness and Sports Management
 Foreign Language
 Forensics
 Geography
 Global Studies
 Graphic Design
 Health Administration
 Health Sciences

History
 Human Services
 Humanities
 Information Systems
 Journalism
 Law
 Literature
 Mass Communication
 Mathematics
 Medicine
 Music
 Nursing
 Pharmacy
 Philosophy and Religion
 Physician Assistant
 Physics and Astronomy
 Political Science
 Psychology
 Public Administration
 Secondary Education
 Sociology
 Social Work
 Speech
 Sports Management
 Veterinary
 and many more ...

Agriculture, Natural & Environmental Services

Agribusiness Agronomy
 Agribusiness Animal Science
 Agribusiness Farm Management
 Agribusiness Sales/Service
 Agribusiness Sustainable Ag.
 Agribusiness
 Arboriculture
 Biotechnology Lab Methods
 Biotechnology
 Biotechnology—Agronomy Concentration
 Environmental Science
 Greenhouse Production
 Horticulture
 Landscape Design
 Turf Maintenance
 Veterinary Technology
 Viticulture
 Wastewater Apprenticeship
 Water Apprenticeship
 Water Environmental Technology
 Water Treatment Technology
 Water/Wastewater Treatment

Architecture, Engineering & Construction

Applied Engineering Technology
 Architectural Technology
 Blueprint Reading
 Building Maintenance
 Building Trades
 Civil Engineering Technology
 Computer-Aided Design Technology
 Electrical Construction Trades
 Electronics Engineer Technology
 Electronics Fundamentals
 Heating/AC/Refrigeration
 Interior Design Consultant
 Landscape Design
 Robotics & Control Systems Engineer

Arts, Design & Visual Communications

Advanced Animation & Rich Media
 Airbrush Art
 Animation & Rich Media
 Architectural Technology
 Basic Visual Communication
 Civil Engineering Technology
 Computer-Aided Design Technology
 Digital Illustration
 Digital Marketing
 Digital Publishing
 Fashion & Design
 Fashion Styling
 Graphic Design
 InDesign
 Interactive Media Graphic Design
 Interior Design Consultant
 Photography
 Photography—Advanced
 Video Editing
 Video Production
 Visual Communications
 Web Developer
 Web Development
 Web Development—Advanced

Business, Management & Marketing

Accounting & Bookkeeping
 Accounting Certificate
 Accounting for Entrepreneurs
 Accounting Specialist
 Accounting: Income Tax Preparation
 Accounting: Payroll
 Administrative Assistant
 Business Administration
 Business Information Systems

Computer Languages
 Digital Marketing
 Entrepreneurship
 Financial Administration
 Funeral Services
 HIPAA Professional Preparation
 Human Resources Management
 Management Information Systems
 Management
 Marketing
 Medical Coding Certificate Prep.
 Medical Insurance & Coding
 Medical Office Specialist
 Mortuary Science
 Office/Clinic Support Assistant
 Paralegal
 Real-time Reporting
 Retail Management
 Sales
 Sales & Management
 Supervision

Education, Public & Human Services

Criminal Justice: Corrections
 Criminal Justice: Electronic Crime
 Criminal Justice: Homeland Security
 Criminal Justice: Law Enforcement
 Criminal Justice
 Early Childhood Education
 ECE Program Administration
 Emergency Medical Technology
 Fire Protection Technology
 Fire Science Technology
 Fire Specialist
 Homeland Security
 Human Services
 Interpr. & Translation/Healthcare
 Interpr. & Translation/Education
 Interpr. & Translation/Generalist
 Interpr. & Translation/Human Services
 Interpr. & Translation/Judiciary
 Interpr. & Translation/Business
 Interpretation & Translation
 Mortuary Science
 Paralegal
 Paramedic Specialist

Health Science

Adult Services
 Advanced Nurse Aide
 Aging Services Management
 Animation and Rich Media
 Associate Degree Nursing
 Nursing — Practical
 Biomedical Electronics Technician

Biotechnology Lab Methods
 Biotechnology
 Dental Assistant
 Dental Hygiene
 Emergency Medical Technician
 Fitness & Sports Management
 Gerontology Specialist
 Health Information Technology
 for Healthcare
 Health Information Technology
 for Information Technology Professional
 Long-Term Care Administration
 Long-Term Care Administration Pract.
 Medical Assistant
 Medical Laboratory Technology
 Nurse Aide
 Office/Clinic Support Assistant
 Paramedic Specialist
 Pharmacy Technician
 Phlebotomy
 Respiratory Therapy
 Respiratory Therapy/Sleep Machine
 Surgical Technology

Hospitality & Culinary

Culinary Arts
 Dietary Manager
 Hospitality Business
 Hotel Restaurant Management

Information Technology

Advanced Animation & Rich Media
 Advanced Web Developer
 Animation & Rich Media
 Business Information Systems
 C# Developer
 C++ Developer
 Computer Languages
 Crime Scene Investigation
 Database Specialist
 Digital Forensic Investigation
 Health Information Technology
 Insurance Services
 Informatics
 Information Technology Network Admin.
 Java Application Developers
 Mobile Development Technology
 Network Security Manager
 Network Technology/Telecom
 Network Technology—Telecom/
 Data Communications
 Web Developer
 Web Development—Advanced
 Web Development

Manufacturing

Advanced Manufacturing Technology
 Applied Engineering Technology
 Applied Engineering Technology—
 Electro-Mechanical Tech.
 Applied Engineering Technology—
 Wind Turbine
 Applied Engineering Technology
 Blueprint Reading
 CNC Operator
 Diemaking
 Electrical Construction Trades
 Electronics Engineer Technology
 Electronics Fundamentals
 Fluid Power Technology
 Gas Metal Arc Welding
 Gas Tungsten Arc Welding
 GMAW Advanced AWS Welding
 Machinist Technology
 Manufacturing Maintenance
 Production MIG Welding
 Robotics & Control Sys. Engineer
 Shielded Metal Arc Welding
 SMAW Advanced AWS Welding
 Thermal Cutting Welding
 Tool & Diemaking
 Wastewater Apprenticeship
 Wastewater Treatment Technology
 Water Apprenticeship
 Water Treatment Technology
 Water/Wastewater Treatment
 Welding

Transportation & Logistics

ASEP-General Motors
 ASSET-Ford
 Auto Chassis & Power Train
 Auto Collision Technology
 Auto Engines & Tune Up
 Auto Mechanics Technology
 Auto Minor Repair/Maintenance
 CAP-Chrysler
 Caterpillar Technology
 Diesel Technology
 Electro-Mechanical Tech.
 Maintenance (Diesel)

To identify the DMACC Advisor assigned to your high school, please visit:

www.dmacc.edu/careeradvantage/Pages/caschoolclasses.aspx

or email careeradvantage@dmacc.edu

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