

# 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**

**CONTINUE AND FINISH WHAT YOU STARTED**

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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](https://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](https://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](https://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](https://fafsa.ed.gov).
  - ▶ Apply for DMACC Foundation Scholarships at [dmacc.edu/scholarships](https://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](https://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.



[dmacc.edu/careeradvantage](http://dmacc.edu/careeradvantage)

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](http://dmacc.edu/clubs)
- ▶ [dmacc.edu/campusrecreation](http://dmacc.edu/campusrecreation)
- ▶ [dmacc.edu/housing](http://dmacc.edu/housing)

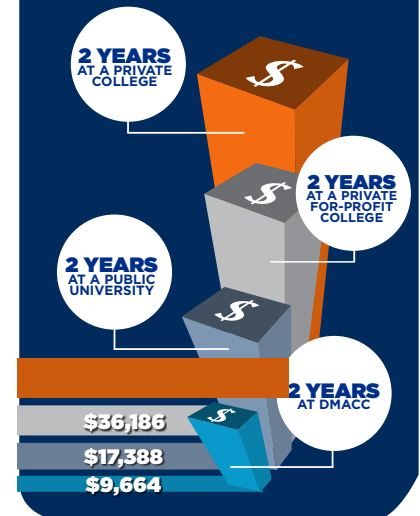
## LOWEST TUITION OF ANY COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IN IOWA



DMACC ranked 10th Best Value by [valuecolleges.com](http://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.

# 252

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](http://www.dmacc.edu/careeradvantage/Pages/caschoolclasses.aspx)

or email [careeradvantage@dmacc.edu](mailto:careeradvantage@dmacc.edu)

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