Accelerating College Completion

**Students at Florida College System institutions complete college faster when earning dual enrollment credits.**

![Bar chart showing years 2009-10 to 2013-14 with values 2.8, 2.7, 2.8, 2.5, 2.9, and 4.5, 4.5, 4.8, 4.6, 4.3 for blue and red bars respectively.]

Source: SREB Data Exchange. Note. Credits earned represent dual enrollment credits – or those earned through early admissions programs - not credits earned through other mechanisms such as AP, AICE IB or others.

Dual enrollment was developed, in part, to provide high school students the opportunity to earn college credits prior to enrolling in college with the intent to both challenge students academically while also decreasing their time to an associate degree. Florida College System institutions continue to be responsive and innovative to student and community needs. For students who enter with credits earned through dual enrollment acceleration avenues, their time to degree is nearly half of that for students who enter without any college credits earned. It is clearly the case that in Florida, as in the rest of the nation, dual enrollment as an accelerated pathway has proven to be an effective tool to increase college completion.

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