Maine students have access to many early college opportunities through Maine’s public universities and community colleges. It is important to select courses carefully. Early College Pathways can help students earn credits with a purpose, and be better prepared for possible majors and careers.

What if I’m not sure where to start?

General education courses are a great way to explore Early College classes. These courses provide the background and skills needed for college, regardless of the major you choose. Many of the general education courses listed below will satisfy degree requirements when you attend college.

- College Composition/College Writing
- History
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Public Speaking
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Quantitative Reasoning
- Statistics
- College Algebra
- Precalculus
- Calculus

Visit your school counselor or the websites below to learn more about Early College opportunities statewide:

Early College at Maine’s Community Colleges: oncourse.me.edu
Early College at Maine’s Public Universities: academics.maine.edu/early-college

For a complete guide of Maine’s postsecondary options visit: https://www.famemaine.com/education/topics/choosing-a-college/mainecollegesearch/

Aspirations Program Eligibility
The Aspirations Program is funded by the Maine Legislature and authorized under Title 20-A, Chapter 208-A. The program is administered by the Maine Department of Education. Maine’s public high school students and qualifying home-schooled students may be considered eligible to participate if they meet the following criteria:

- receive approval from the student’s high school
- meet course prerequisites
- receive final approval from the college or university

Early College students may earn up to a total of 12 tuition-free credits per academic year at Maine’s public universities and community colleges.

Transferability

- Only the receiving college can confirm whether a course will transfer.
- While most credits will transfer as electives, college programs may limit the number of electives students can use.
- College programs have specific course requirements. Courses outside those requirements may not transfer.

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<td>I want to help keep people safe and protected.</td>
<td>• Precalculus/Calculus • Statistics • Technical Math • Physics • Welding 1 • Intro to Hand &amp; Power Tool Safety • Suspension and Alignment • Intro to CAD Graphics</td>
<td>• Architectural Drafting &amp; Design • HVAC Technology • Automotive Technology</td>
<td>• Surveying Technology • Environmental Science • Biology</td>
<td>• Electrician • Welder • Plumber • Automotive Technician</td>
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<td>I would like to run or own a business. I like to organize and analyze information.</td>
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<td>• Intro to Business • Marketing &amp; Entrepreneurship • Intro to Personal and Business Finance • Intro to Mass Communication • Accounting</td>
<td>• Accounting • Finance • Business • Administration • Marketing</td>
<td>• Bookkeeper • Sales Manager • Hotel Manager • Small Business Owner</td>
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<td>I am interested in the health of people or animals.</td>
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<td>• Medical Terminology • Anatomy &amp; Physiology • Intro to Biology • Emergency Medical Technology</td>
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<td>I would like to work with students.</td>
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<td>• Intro to Criminal Justice • Criminology • Police Operations • Forensics • Intro to Criminal Justice</td>
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<td>I like to use technology to design, create, and solve problems.</td>
<td>• Precalculus/Calculus • Statistics • Technical Math • Physics • Welding 1 • Intro to Hand &amp; Power Tool Safety • Suspension and Alignment • Intro to CAD Graphics</td>
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