

DE SALES UNIVERSITY
HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Overview

The DeSales University High School Scholars Program enables high school students to take college courses for credit, tuition free, on the University campus. Highly talented and motivated students who are nominated by their high schools may take one day course during the regular fall and/or spring semester, on a space-available basis. This high school/university articulation program promotes communication and cooperation between basic and higher education while enriching and expanding the curriculum for students capable of completing college courses while still in high school.

Nominations

Students are nominated by their high school guidance counselor, principal, or a screening committee designated at their school. **Each participating school may nominate at most two students and two alternates per semester.** DeSales University will endeavor to accommodate qualified applicants, but it cannot guarantee admission to the requested courses.

Application

Application for admission to the DeSales University High School Scholars Program is made by means of the attached application form. After the student completes the front page, the nominator completes the reverse side. The student's guidance counselor or principal then forwards the completed application form and a copy of the student's high school transcript to:

Mr. Bill Peterson
Academic Resource Center
DeSales University
2755 Station Avenue
Center Valley, PA 18034-9568

Applications for the fall semester must reach us by June 1, and for the spring semester by December 1.

Selections

The chairs of the departments offering the requested courses review the applications and recommend acceptance or denial to the Academic Resource Center. A department chair may request a personal interview or telephone conversation with the student applicant. After reviewing the student's application and the chair's recommendation, the Academic Resource Center will notify the student and the nominator as to their decision.

Conditions

Using the **Course Selection Guide for High School Scholars** and the list of day courses in the master schedule, the student applicant designates their first three choices of courses on the application form. The choice of courses must be based on designated prerequisites as stated in the [Undergraduate Catalog](#). The department chair determines the student's placement on the basis of the student's course request, course enrollments, and the student's background. Ordinarily the student will be limited to one course per semester.

The student will not be charged tuition but will be responsible for the cost of textbooks, laboratory fees, and other course materials, if applicable, and transportation. Participants will be expected to adhere to the attendance policy of the course, all applicable policies of the university, and the academic calendar, as outlined in the [Undergraduate Catalog](#) and individual course syllabi.

The course must be taken for a letter grade, not for pass/fail or audit. The University will send the student and his/her school principal an official transcript at the completion of the course. Additional transcripts will be provided through the DeSales University Registrar's Office following its usual policies.

Students who wish to participate for an additional semester must reapply through their respective guidance offices.

Application & Admission Deadlines

	<i>Fall Semester</i>	<i>Spring Semester</i>
Application Deadline	June 1	December 1
Notification of Decision	Early to mid-July	Late Dec. – Early January

Application deadlines will be strictly adhered to.

Additional Information

Questions concerning the High School Scholars Program should be directed to Mr. Bill Peterson at bill.peterson@desales.edu or (610) 282-1100, extension 2764.

Participating Schools

The high schools listed below have been invited to participate in the program because of their geographic proximity to the University. However, qualified students from other secondary schools are welcome to inquire about acceptance into the program by asking their guidance counselors to contact Mr. Peterson.

Allentown Central Catholic High School	North Penn High School
Bangor Area School District	Northwestern Lehigh High School
Bethlehem Catholic High School	Notre Dame High School
Catasauqua High School	Palisades High School
Central Bucks East High School	Parkland High School
Easton High School	Pennridge High School
Freedom High School	Quakertown Community High School
Louis E. Dieruff High School	Salisbury Township High School
Emmaus High School	Saucon Valley High School
Lansdale Catholic High School	Souderton Area High School
L.V. Charter High School for the Performing Arts	Southern Lehigh High School
Liberty High School	Stroudsburg High School
Moravian Academy	Upper Perkiomen High School
Nazareth High School	Whitehall High School
Northampton Area Senior High School	William Allen High School
Northern Lehigh High School	Wilson Area High School

Other Options

Students not accepted into this High School Scholars Program may still be eligible for our dual enrollment program. For more information, visit www.desales.edu/dualenrollment.

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Application Form
Please print or type

Student's Name _____

Home Address _____

_____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Student's Phone (____) _____ Student's E-mail _____

** E-mail is our **primary** means of communicating. Please check regularly and reply promptly.*

High School _____

High School Address _____

_____ City _____ Zip Code _____

Guidance Counselor _____ Counselor's Phone (____) _____

Counselor's E-mail _____ Semester Applying For _____

Course Selection – State the **course number, course section, and course title** of your top three course preferences.

	Course Number	Course Section	Course Title
<i>Example:</i>	<i>EN-103</i>	<i>02</i>	<i>Composition & Rhetoric I</i>
First Choice			
Second Choice			
Third Choice			

If you have completed relevant AP exams, please explain. For example, if you are interested in a Mathematics course and earned a 4 on the AP Calculus BC exam, you would list that score here:

Explain briefly why you wish to participate in the Program:

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Nominator's Name _____

Title _____

School Address _____

City

Zip Code

School Telephone (____) _____

This student is a Primary Nominee _____ an Alternate Nominee _____.

Nominator's brief recommendation for this student applicant:

Nominators' Signature _____ Date _____

Please send this form and an official copy of the student's transcript to:

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