

HOW IT WORKS

Bard Early College Hudson is a credit-bearing college program for 11th and 12th graders in Hudson and its surrounding communities in New York's Hudson Valley. The program is a unique partnership between Bard College, the Hudson City School District, Questar III BOCES, and the Galvan Foundation. Enrolled students spend the second half of every school day as undergraduates of Bard College, taking **tuition-free** college courses at a dedicated satellite Bard campus in the city of Hudson, NY. The courses are dually accredited by both Bard College and their local school districts, allowing students to move ahead in college without falling behind in high school.

SAMPLE SCHEDULE

8:00 - 11:00 AM

Classes at local high school

11:00 - 11:45 AM

Lunch/travel to Bard Early College campus (transportation provided by school district)

11:45 - 1:30 PM : COLLEGE COURSES

Bard Humanities Seminar

A foundational "great books" course taken by all students at Bard College. Explores important questions that face our world through literature and art from antiquity onward (2 days per week)

College Elective

Elected course in arts, mathematics, social or natural sciences, or humanities. Offerings change each semester (2 days per week)

The College Experience

Writing for, applying to, and succeeding in college (1 day per week)



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INFORMATION

For more information on Bard Early College Hudson, visit our website bhsec.bard.edu/hudson or contact us at HUDSON@bec.bard.edu or at **(518) 249-4779**

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**Engaging coursework.
Transferable college credits.**

Bard Early College Hudson offers inquiry-based, rigorous, and engaging college classes for high school students from Hudson and its surrounding communities, tuition-free.

Apply today. Start college tomorrow.

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ENGAGE & PREPARE

What does it mean to be human? What makes a good citizen? What is freedom?

Grounded in the discussion-based liberal arts methods established by Bard College, the curriculum at Bard Early College Hudson invites students to ask challenging questions through critical reading, writing, and thinking. For students who like to grapple with ideas, question assumptions, discuss, and debate, Bard Early College Hudson is a chance to start engaging in meaningful conversations while earning real college credits. Taught by Bard College faculty, courses at Bard Early College Hudson immerse students in college-level study while also helping them prepare for future college coursework. Teaching practices developed by early college faculty from across Bard's network of schools maintain the rigor of a college classroom while offering the supports and guidance necessary for younger students.

In addition to the Bard Humanities Seminar, recent courses have included:

Creative Writing -

The Art and Craft of Memoir

Humanities/Theatre -

Voices for Social Justice

Mathematics -

Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

Psychology/Education -

Identity, Culture, and the Classroom

U.S. History -

Urban History: The New York and Hudson Valley Lens

STRUCTURE & SUPPORTS

Intensive College Counseling

In addition to their credit-bearing academic courses, all students participate in a weekly class called The College Experience. The majority of the College Experience course is spent helping students choose and apply to colleges that suit their interests and future goals. This includes preparing students for standardized tests (such as the SAT and ACT), completing financial aid forms, researching scholarship opportunities, and assistance with transferring Bard credits to other colleges upon acceptance. Bard Early College Hudson students are also eligible to apply for the Early College Opportunity scholarship, a full-tuition scholarship to Bard College reserved for students at the Bard Early Colleges.

Writing and Research Support

One-on-one writing assistance helps students understand and meet the standards of college-level writing. Our research training includes access to Bard's extensive library resources on the main Annandale campus.

Tutoring

Students meet regularly with graduate and undergraduate students from Bard's teacher education program. These older students serve the Hudson students as tutors, helping them understand college-level expectations and supporting their work on challenging assignments as needed.

APPLY NOW

Bard Early College Hudson will be accepting rising 11th and 12th graders for the Fall 2018 semester. Applicants will participate in a sample seminar class, followed by a one-on-one interview with a Bard faculty member. There is no minimum GPA requirement. We are searching for curious and engaged students who want to be active participants in their learning and are interested in taking on the challenge that a Bard education offers. Participating school districts vary from year to year. In 2017-18, enrolled students are from the following local school districts:

- Cairo-Durham Central School District
- Coxsackie-Athens Central School District
- Germantown Central School District
- Hudson City School District
- Taconic Hills Central School District

Interested students should ask their guidance counselor about their school's participation or email us at HUDSON@bec.bard.edu

