Spring 2010
College Now
FAQs

I’m currently taking a College Now course at Hunter College this semester and I want to take a course next semester. Do I have to apply?
Yes. Even though you are currently taking a College Now course at Hunter this semester, you would still have to apply for the Spring 2010 semester in order to be eligible to take a course.

I have taken a College Now course before and I want to take a course that is not offered by the Hunter College Now program during the Spring 2010 semester. Is this allowed?
Yes it is. College Now students who have passed their class with a B+ or better are eligible to take a class with Hunter College undergraduate students. If you are interested in this option, we will be hosting Information Sessions during the last week of October. For further information please email Ms. Omyra Gonzalez at omyra.gonzalez@hunter.cuny.edu

When will Spring 2010 classes begin?
Classes will begin on Thursday, January 28th, and end on Monday, May 17th. So, if you are taking classes every Saturday, you will begin on January 30th. If you are taking a Monday/Wednesday class, your first day will be on Monday, February 1st. If you are taking a Tuesday/Thursday class, your first class will be on Thursday, January 28th. The last day for Saturday classes is May 15th, the last day for Monday/Wednesday classes is May 17th, and the last day for Tuesday/Thursday classes is May 13th.

Do I have to go to every class?
Yes. The global attendance policy for College Now only allows for two unexcused absences. If you have more than two unexcused absences, you will be dropped from the program. Also your professor might specify an attendance policy in the course syllabus and lower your grade if you violate the policy. Please bear in mind that if you skip class, you lower your chances of earning a good grade. You will likely miss lectures, discussions, in-class exercises and important announcements, such as changes to the syllabus and scheduling of mid-term exams.
Remember that attending the College Now program really is a privilege. For every one student we admitted, we had to deny admission to five equally qualified students. If you think you cannot commit to attending every class, please call the Hunter College Now Office immediately at (212) 772-4323 or (212) 650-3549. We would like to give your opportunity to someone else.

**Do I have to get to class on time?**
Yes. Violation of the lateness policy specified by your professor might negatively impact your grade. Please remember that arriving late is disruptive and can be taken as a sign of disrespect to your professor and classmates. If you run late – and we all occasionally do, despite best efforts – you might want to take a moment after class to apologize to your professor.

**How will I be graded?**
Your professor sets the grading policy, which is outlined in your course syllabus. Make sure you fully understand what’s expected of you. Talk to your professor if you have questions.

**What if the course is too hard?**
Your course will not be too hard for you. How do we know? Your scores on Regents exams, PSATs, and SATs – as well as the recommendations of your counselors – indicate you are eminently qualified for Hunter College Now. The challenge you will experience will likely come from adjusting to college life – a different schedule, new styles of teaching, and greater responsibility for your own learning.

**Where do I go to get help with my course, if I need it?**
Many Hunter professionals – including the entire College Now team – are ready to help you. The first person you should talk to is your professor, who will have the best sense of your work and what’s expected of you. You may use various support services with your Hunter ID—check out these support services and visit them today.

**Dolciani Mathematics Center (Hunter North 300)**
Drop In Tutoring for STAT 113: Monday 9:00-11:30 AM; Tuesday 5:30-7:30 PM; Thursday 5:35-6:50 PM and Friday 10:00-11:00 AM.
Table Tutoring for STAT 113: Monday 5:30-7:30 PM; Wednesday 1:00-4:00 PM; Thursday 12:00-3:00 PM.
The Dolciani Math Center also runs an after-school program for College Now students who need tutorial help with the content of MATH A using the computer-assisted tutorials and also runs an extension program on connecting the mathematics in the classroom to everyday life.

**Hunter College Reading and Writing Center (Thomas Hunter 416)**
The Hunter College Reading and Writing Center offers tutorial assistance, free of charge, to College Now students. Tutors are undergraduate and graduate students from a variety of majors, trained to help you develop your reading and writing skills. Tutoring is available Monday-Thursday 10PM-8PM and Friday-Saturday 10PM-4PM. If
you feel you need other help, please contact Christopher Hopper at (212) 650-3549 or Omyra Gonzalez at (212) 772-4323 in Room 100 Hunter North, who will coordinate resources at the college and your high school.

What if I want to drop a course?
We advise you to think very carefully about dropping your course, as doing so may have serious consequences. Should you decide to drop your class – for any reason – you must follow the proper procedure, as follows:

Step #1: You have until Friday, February 18th, to drop your course without it affecting you in any way. Please notify Omyra Gonzalez (212) 772-4323 or Christopher Hopper (212) 650-3549 in Room 100 Hunter North to drop your course.

Step #2: If you decide to drop your course after February 18th, you will be required to withdraw from your course by completing and submitting a Course Withdrawal Form, which will be available, when the time comes, in the College Now office. The deadline to withdraw from your course is Thursday, March 25th. Once your withdrawal form is processed, you will have a “W” on your record. If you don’t withdraw officially by this date and decide to stop attending your course, you will receive a grade of “WU” – the equivalent of an “F” – on your official transcript.

Does Hunter report grades earned by College Now students to their high schools?
Yes, but only if you attend one of our Partner High Schools. High school teachers, counselors and principals are eager to learn how their students perform in a challenging environment.

Where do I get a transcript of the grade I earned in my College Now course?
Our Registrars Office will maintain a transcript of the courses you take and the grades and credits you earn in College Now at Hunter. You may request copies of your transcript from the OASIS in Room 217 Hunter North by filling out a Transcript Request Form: (http://registrar.hunter.cuny.edu/forms/Transcript%20Request%20Form%20Rev.pdf).

You may also order transcripts through the Registrar’s new website: http://registrar.hunter.cuny.edu/transcripts.shtml

You may also view your unofficial transcript online. Unofficial transcripts will show the class you took and what grade you received. You can print this out for free on your home computer by registering through CUNY Portal. The following link will give you instructions on how to create a CUNY Portal account: http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/icit/help-docs/cuny-portal-id-walkthrough. Once you create your account, log in, and scroll down to ESIMS. You can view and print an unofficial transcript from here.

The unofficial transcript is useful when you are applying to schools and want to show how well you have already done in a college-level class. It is NOT acceptable for official credit transfers.
What if I have other questions?

**Telephone**
You can contact Ms. Omyra Gonzalez at (212)772-4323 or Mr. Erlyn Mendez at (212)772-4486. We are located in Room 100 Hunter North.

**E-Mail**
You can also email us at collegenow@hunter.cuny.edu.

**Instant Messenger**
We have also set up an interactive instant messenger service where you can get all your questions answered. You can IM us at CollegeNow212 (AIM).

**Facebook**
We are also on Facebook. To locate our Facebook page, just search for us on the Friends Section under “CollegeNow Hunter”.

*The College Now team is happy to help you at any time!*