



CISCO COLLEGE

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Cisco College Office of Dual Credit Relocates

Abilene, Texas - January 17, 2020 - The Abilene campus of Cisco College has served so many Dual Credit students – more than 1,000 for the Spring 2020 semester--that the Dual Credit Office had to move to a larger location on campus.

Formerly the office was located just inside the main doors of the campus, where limited seating was shared with the front desk and college counselors. Waiting students often found themselves in the middle of daily foot traffic. The Dual Credit Office has now been relocated to Room 111.

“It is so much better now because we have extra space and can accommodate those that need to wait with our extra seating,” said Tianay Bralley, Director of Dual Credit. “It is by far an upgrade,” she said, “and all the extra space allows us to better serve our students.”

Dual Credit allows high school students to earn college credit and high school credit concurrently. As of now, Cisco College partners with 43 regional high schools to deliver a quality college education for a fraction of typical college and university tuition costs. As Bralley explained, this can significantly reduce the cost of obtaining a higher education.

In addition, many students may complete an associate degree while still in high school. Dual Credit students have the ability to transfer dual credit courses to most higher education institutions and reduce the time required to complete an undergraduate degree.

Since it began offering Dual Credit in 2007, Cisco College has served more than 16,000 Dual Credit students and has maintained a standard of providing high school students rigorous and meaningful coursework that prepares them for success in college, Bralley said. This head start puts Dual Credit students at an advantage, she said, since it is shown that earning college credits

while in high school increases the likelihood that a student will complete high school and enroll in and persist in college.

For more information about Dual Credit opportunities at Cisco College, visit the Abilene campus or www.cisco.edu, or contact the Office of Dual Credit by phone at 325-794-4510 or 325-794-450, or via email at tiny.bralley@cisco.edu or julie.paredes@cisco.edu.

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About Cisco College

Since first admitting students in 1940, Cisco College has offered programs and activities intended to encourage lifelong learning and enhance the quality of life in the communities it serves.

As a member of the Texas state system of publicly supported institutions of higher education, Cisco College maintains an open-door admissions policy and provides an array of learning, skill development and life experiences to motivate and challenge students. Classes are offered at two primary locations, Cisco and Abilene, in addition to several other off-campus sites. The College strives to maintain a student/faculty ratio which facilitates close interaction between faculty and students.

Cisco College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award Associate level degrees.