What is PSEO?
The Minnesota Legislature created the Post-Secondary Enrollment Options program, or PSEO, in 1985. Under PSEO, high school juniors and seniors enrolled in a school (including public, private, home, and charter schools) and/or American Indian controlled tribal contract or grant school can attend colleges and universities and receive both college and high school credit. The State of Minnesota pays for tuition and books. The purpose of PSEO is to enhance the high school experience by promoting “rigorous academic pursuits by encouraging and enabling secondary pupils to enroll full-time or part-time in nonsectarian courses (Minnesota Statutes 124D.09).”

The Legislature left selection criteria and implementation of the program up to the individual college. It is important to note that Century College follows the Minnesota State guidelines for PSEO. **PSEO is NOT an open enrollment program;** students must meet minimum criteria in order to be eligible for the program and courses are offered on a space-available basis only. All of the PSEO qualifications are clearly listed in this PSEO application.

You will need to notify your high school that you are interested in participating in the PSEO program.

### Application Steps

**Step 1:** Complete the Century College ACCUPLACER Course Placement Test, ACT or SAT. Students must meet the minimum score requirements before moving on to step two.

**Step 2:** Complete and submit the application materials (see page 3). - **ALL materials must be packaged and submitted together.**

Return the application to:

**Century College - Office of Admissions**
3300 Century Avenue North
White Bear Lake, MN 55110

**Step 3:** Complete PSEO orientation process

**Steps 1 & 2 must be completed before the following deadlines:**

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The deadline is absolute. There are no exceptions. Century College must have the application in the office on or before the due date. If you submit your application by mail, it is recommended to send it Registered Mail. We are not responsible for applications that get lost in the mail.

Questions? Contact Katy Moore at 651.779.3962 / katy.moore@century.edu

*Please Note: Information on this application is subject to change without notice.*
Step 1 – Demonstrating college-level placement.

Step 1 – The ACCUPLACER Course Placement Test

Century College’s ACCUPLACER for course placement process is used to determine a student’s readiness for specific college courses. ACCUPLACER measures reading, writing and mathematics skills. ACCUPLACER is not timed and immediate results are provided at the end of the test.

The ACCUPLACER Course Placement Test needs to be completed before the application deadline, and a copy of the ACCUPLACER score sheet must be submitted with the application.

Keep in mind that the test may only be taken twice in a 12 month period. In addition, students testing for the second time will be charged a $10 retest fee. Accommodations for test takers can be provided through the Access Center. Please call 651.779.3354 to see if a student qualifies for accommodation services.

Students must bring a photo ID.

(For information about the ACT, please see section below.)

What are the required assessment test scores?

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If a student meets the minimum ACT scores, taking ACCUPLACER is not required. Please submit a copy of your ACT score report with your PSEO application.

*If a student would like to take a math course at Century College through the PSEO Program, the student must meet one of the two qualifying options above which indicate college-level math skills.

Please see the Testing Center website for information regarding SAT & MCA requirements. *MCA results can only be used for Math placement.*

Advanced Placement (AP)
If a student would like to submit AP scores in order to register for more advanced Century College courses, please send official score reports to the Transfer Student Services/DARS Office for evaluation. Questions on AP scores or submission? Please call 651.779.3908.
Step 2 – Select Option A, B, OR C and Submit Your Materials

All materials listed for A, B, or C must be submitted together by the deadline. Incomplete applications will NOT be processed. Please select one option, either A, B, or C, and submit your application including the documentation as described under that option.

Step 2 – Students must meet ONE of the following options and submit the listed application materials:

A) Meet one of the following:
- Class Rank (Juniors - top third of class, Seniors - top half)
- Decile (Juniors- 3rd decile or higher, Seniors – 5th decile or higher)
- GPA (Juniors- 3.0 or higher, Seniors- 2.5 or higher)
  1. Complete and submit page four of this application.
  2. Complete and submit the Notice of Student Registration form.
  3. Obtain and submit a copy of your high school transcript that includes your class rank, decile or GPA.
  4. Obtain and submit a copy of your ACCUPLACER or ACT score report.

B) If you meet the nationally standardized norm-referenced test requirement
- Juniors - at or above the 70th percentile on composite score
- Seniors - at or above the 50th percentile on composite score
  *The MN or National percentile is acceptable.
  1. Complete and submit page four of this application.
  2. Complete and submit the Notice of Student Registration form.
  3. Obtain and submit a copy of your high school transcript
  4. Obtain and submit a copy of your test results (Pre-ACT, PSAT, ACT or SAT).
  5. Obtain and submit a copy of your ACCUPLACER score report. *(If not using ACT scores for Step 1.)*

C) Students who do not meet Option A or Option B
  1. Letter of recommendation from a high school counselor or a high school teacher. *(If you are a homeschool student, please obtain a letter from a teacher or counselor outside of your family.)*
  2. Written essay on why you will benefit from PSEO and what you can contribute to Century College as a PSEO student. The essay must be two pages, typed, double-spaced, and in 12 pt. font
  3. Complete and submit page four of this application.
  4. Complete and submit the Notice of Student Registration form.
  5. Obtain and submit a copy of your high school transcript.
  6. Obtain and submit a copy of your ACCUPLACER or ACT score report.

Decisions regarding option C are made according to a point system. Submission of the PSEO materials under Option C does NOT guarantee acceptance into the PSEO program.

Step 3 – Complete the PSEO orientation process

If accepted, Century College will send an acceptance letter to students via the US postal service. Information about the orientation process will be sent to the student’s email listed on page four of this application. Students who are unable to participate in the orientation process may automatically forfeit their spot in the PSEO program.

⇒ The orientation process is a MANDATORY activity that involves both large and small group activities.
   It is designed to prepare students for a successful start at Century College. On-campus orientation activities take approximately 2.5 hours.
⇒ The on-campus orientation activities will cover all services, programs and activities available to Century students. It is our attempt to inform students about everything that is available to them at Century. Critically important college policies are also discussed.
⇒ The on-campus component of orientation includes meeting with an Academic Advisor individually and students are given the opportunity to register for courses. Students can ask Century staff about the best way to set up a course schedule in light of overall college goals or demands such as work, high school extracurricular activities, transfer to four year colleges, etc. Students should meet with their high school counselor prior to their on-campus orientation in order to confirm any courses they may be required to take at Century to fulfill graduation requirements.
PSEO Application Form

Name (Last, First, Middle) ___________________________ Social Security Number _____ - _____ - ________

Date of Birth ____________________________________

Street Address __________________________ City __________________________

State _______ Zip _______ County ___________ Home Phone __________________________

Cell Phone ___________________________ Student Email (REQUIRED) __________________________

High School __________________________________

Anticipated Year of High School Graduation: __________________________

If home schooled, what high school would you normally attend? __________________________

Expected Start Date (check one): ☐ Fall 2020 ☐ Spring 2021

What is your current educational intent at this institution?
☐ Complete courses, but not a degree ☐ Earn associate (two-year) degree ☐ Earn associate (two-year) & transfer
☐ Earn occupational certificate/diploma ☐ Complete courses & transfer without a degree

Request for Confidential Information
The information requested below is voluntary and will assist Minnesota State in evaluating student recruitment and retention policies. It will NOT be used as a basis for admission or in a discriminatory manner. You will not be subjected to adverse treatment if you do not provide any of the requested information.

Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male

Are you Hispanic or Latino (a person of Cuban, Mexican, Chicano, Puerto Rican, South or Central America, or other Spanish culture, regardless of race)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Race and Ethnic Background (select any that apply)
☐ American Indian or Alaska Native - A person having origins in any of the original peoples in of North, Central or South America and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment
☐ Asian - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Far East, Southeast Asia or the Indian Subcontinent
☐ Black or African American - A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa
☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands
☐ White - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East or North Africa

What is the highest level of education for your parent(s)/ guardian(s)? Please respond for the parent(s), step-parent(s), adoptive parent(s), or guardian(s) who raised you. Check only one box for each parent/guardian.

Parent/Guardian #1 Parent/Guardian #2
☐ No high school diploma ☐ No high school diploma
☐ High school diploma ☐ High school diploma
☐ Some college ☐ Some college
☐ Two-year college degree/ diploma ☐ Two Year college degree/ diploma
☐ Bachelor’s degree or higher ☐ Bachelor’s degree or higher
☐ Not sure/ don’t know ☐ Not sure/ don’t know

Applicant Signature
I hereby certify that the information provided on this application form and in all other admissions materials is complete, accurate, and true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: __________________________________________ Date: __________________________

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