# Qual Credit NEWSLETTER



**FALL SEMESTER 2025** 

# SENCAP Program Expands Support for Dual Credit Students

Southeast Community College is enhancing its Dual Credit program to better support students and strengthen partnerships with school districts across its 15-county service area.

Key improvements include expanded student advising, increasing retention and continuation of students in SENCAP, and increased credentialing support for teachers. SCC is also exploring its certificate and diploma offerings to meet local workforce needs and is exploring national NACEP accreditation to ensure high-quality dual credit education. To support these efforts, SCC is introducing two new roles:

- **SENCAP Career Explorers** will guide students through academic and career planning and resources.
- **SENCAP Faculty Liaisons** will help align high school and college instruction to meet accreditation standards and support dual credit instructors.

Thanks to Nebraska's LB261, SCC will continue offering a 65% tuition discount for dual credit students in the 2025–2026 academic year.

SCC values its collaboration with local school districts and remains committed to creating a strong, supportive environment for students and educators.



# Dual Credit RISING STARS



Cara Pierce, a 2025 graduate of Pawnee City Public Schools, completed 40 SENCAP credit hours in high school, exploring both Business and Juvenile Justice pathways. Her experience helped her choose a future in accounting, and she's now attending the University of Nebraska at Omaha to become a Certified Public Accountant.

Cara says SENCAP gave her a valuable head start, saving time and money while helping her clarify her career goals. Her favorite classes were College Algebra and American History. I. Her advice to high school students? "Don't procrastinate!"

She also credits her high school counselor Lisa Blecha, for being a constant support throughout her journey.

Logan Maloley started her SENCAP Journey with an interest in both Law and Physical Therapy. After completing 3 dual credit hours, she discovered that Physical Therapy was the better fit - and now she's pursuing Exercise Science in college. "SENCAP helped me realize Physical Therapy suited me more than Law. I learned so much about myself and my future career."

Her favorite class? Basic Nutrition - a course that sparked her passion for health and wellness.

Logan's advice to her high school self: "Don't be afraid to reach out and ask for help."

She also gives a special shoutout to her counselor, Lisa Blecha, for her support and guidance.

"Thank you so much for this amazing opportunity in giving me a head start on my future!"



Logan Maloley

# TEAM MEMBER SPOTLICHT

# JOHN HEINEMAN

I'm excited to introduce myself as your Faculty Liaison for Arts & Sciences. With nearly 40 years of experience in education, primarily at Lincoln High School, I've dedicated my career to fostering creativity and growth in students. Fun fact: I hold the unique distinction of being the only speech, theater, and PE-endorsed teacher in the world!

When I'm not working, you'll often find me traveling, singing in the choir, working for the Teacher's Union, or enjoying the beauty of Spring Creek Prairie. Of course, I'm also a passionate supporter of all things Huskers!

I look forward to connecting with all of you and contributing to our incredible community.



# Rey dates for FALL 2025

	16-week	1st 8-week	1st 5-week	2nd 8-week	2 <sup>nd</sup> 5-week	Year-long
	Aug 18-Dec 12	Aug 18-Oct 10	Aug 18-Sept 19	Oct 15-Dec 12	Oct 15-Nov 21	Aug 18-May 8
No shows	Aug 27	Aug 22	Aug 21	Oct 20	Oct 20	Sept 8
due	3 pm	3 pm	3 pm	3 pm	3 pm	3 pm
Midterms	Oct 15	Sept 15	Sept 3	Nov 13	Nov 3	Jan 2
due	12 pm	12 pm	12 pm	12 pm	12pm	12 pm
Last day to withdraw	Varies Refer to Self-Service					
Grades	Dec 15	Oct 15	Sept 22	Dec 15	Nov 24	May 11
Due	12 pm	12 pm	12 pm	12 pm	12 pm	12 pm
Graduation applications	September 12, 2025 5 pm					

# MEET OUR NEW SENCAP CAREER EXPLORERS!

We're thrilled to welcome two new Career Explorers to the SENCAP team this fall! These passionate professionals are here to help students navigate their academic journeys and discover meaningful career paths. Whether you're exploring college credentials, planning for dual credit, or figuring out how your education fits into your life goals, they're ready to guide you every step of the way.

From personalized academic planning to connecting students with key campus resources, such as Admissions, Testing, and Scholarships, our Career Explorers are your go-to allies for turning possibilities into plans. Their support is designed to help students feel confident, informed, and inspired about their future.



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# **DISCOVERY DAYS**

2025-26

Discovery Days give you the opportunity to experience SCC firsthand. Gain information about SCC's Programs of Study, how to pay for college, SCC support services, housing, activities, and more! A campus tour and lunch are provided.

Event times: 9:30 am - 1:15 pm

#### **Beatrice Campus**

Friday, October 17 | Friday, November 14 Friday, February 6 | Friday, March 20

### **Lincoln Campus**

Friday, October 10 | Friday, November 21 Friday, February 27 | Friday, March 23

# **Milford Campus**

Friday, October 24 | Friday, November 7 Friday, February 9 | Friday, March 30



# EXPLORE IT DAYS

2025-26

Explore It days provide you with a hands-on experience as you learn alongside SCC faculty, students and industry partners. These events provide a great opportunity to get a firsthand look at career opportunities in each industry! Lunch is provided.

Event times: 9 am - 2 pm

# **Beatrice Campus**

Agriculture Day | Wednesday, September 17

### **Lincoln Campus**

Healthcare Day | Thursday, October 2
Technology Day | Wednesday, February 11
Transfer Experience Day | Wednesday, April 15

# **Milford Campus**

Construction Day | Tuesday, September 23 Manufacturing & Engineering Day | Tuesday, October 21

Automotive/Auto Collision/Powersports Day | Tuesday, November 4

Transportation Day | Tuesday, February 24

# SENCAP GUIDEBOOK

#### 2025-2026 SENCAP Guidebook

For high school students in SCC's 15-county service area. The guidebook includes 17 pathways and 16 certificates and new classes!

#### SENCAP RESOURCE GUIDE

#### 2025-2026 SENCAP & TCA Resource Guide

The SENCAP & TCA Resource Guide supports dual credit students by offering crucial details on applications, registration assistance, and much more.

Explore more dual credit resources on our website.

# Financial Support

**Learn to Dream Scholarship** allows economically disadvantaged students to complete up to 60 semester credit hours for Lincoln students and 30 credit hours for students in the 15-county area of the Southeast Community College campuses in Beatrice, Lincoln, and Milford, without paying tuition and fees. Students attending high school in <u>SCC's 15-county area</u> may be eligible! Learn to Dream is accepting applications from December 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025.

<u>Access College Early (ACE)</u> Scholarship program pays tuition and mandatory fees for qualified, low-income high school students to enroll in college courses from Nebraska colleges or universities, either through dual enrollment or early enrollment agreements with these institutions.

# Financial Aid and Scholarships

As always, our financial aid representatives specialize in helping make education at Southeast Community College affordable. Applications are open for high school seniors from December 1st to March 1st.



Welcome back to the 2025-2026 school year as a dual credit instructor! I hope you had a restful summer and are ready for a new year with fresh students, curriculum, and challenges.

Over the summer, we created new videos to support you in your role. These cover Uploading Your CID, Reporting No Shows, Submitting Grades, and Grade Changes - along with existing videos on the Application for Admission and Course Registration. We're working with IT to house these in a Canvas shell for dual credit instructors and link them on the SCC website under Dual Credit resources.

John Heineman (jheineman@southeast.edu) will support Arts & Science instructors, and I (clien@southeast.edu) will work primarily with CTE instructors. While we can assist across areas, this is our main division. We'll also be coordinating with your schools to schedule informal visits and hope to meet you then.

If you know someone interested in teaching dual credit and earning extra income, feel free to share our contact info or direct them to the Faculty Inquiry Form that can be found <u>here.</u>

