

DSST Program

WHAT IS DSST?

The DSST program offers credit-by-examination to students who can demonstrate knowledge of subjects commonly taught in introductory college courses. When you complete a DSST exam and achieve the required American Council on Education (ACE) recommended percentile score, you will be granted the credits equivalent to those earned in a regular college course. DSST is a timed, multiple-choice test taken **online at an official testing center**. The student requests that the score be sent to University of Detroit Mercy.

HOW DOES DSST CREDIT APPLY?

DSST credit can be applied to your major, core requirements, or counted as electives toward the 120 credit hours required (in most programs) for your degree. The maximum number of credits which the University of Detroit Mercy will award through any type of examination is 63 credits toward a bachelor degree.

ARE THERE LIMITATIONS?

You cannot earn DSST credits if you have already completed equivalent courses at Detroit Mercy or another institution or if you have completed more advanced courses in the same academic area. You cannot take a DSST test for a failed course. Individual academic programs may limit DSST credits counted toward your requirements for your major. DSST

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