

Free Tuition Available for High School Seniors at SWOSU

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High school seniors during the 2007-08 school year have the opportunity to get a jump-start on their college careers at Southwestern Oklahoma State University with free tuition for six hours of college courses during both the fall and spring semesters.

The tuition waiver is made possible by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

SWOSU is extending the tuition waiver for seniors who choose to enroll concurrently at either the Weatherford or Sayre campus beginning with the upcoming 2007 fall semester. Juniors who meet certain academic requirements can also enroll in concurrent courses but juniors do pay tuition and fees.

Todd Boyd, director of admissions and recruitment at SWOSU, said concurrently enrolled students must meet the minimum requirements set by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. Students must have a minimum of a 20 on the ACT, or have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and rank in the top half of their graduating class.

Students must complete an application for admission, which includes a \$15 application fee. The students must provide transcripts, ACT scores and complete the school and parent recommendation/verification form. These forms can be obtained at www.swosu.edu/admissions or by contacting SWOSU's Admissions and Recruitment Office in Weatherford at 580.774.3782 or in Sayre at 580.928.5533.

As in the past, combined high school and college course load limitations will be monitored and enforced. Students may only enroll in academic areas (English, math and science) where the corresponding ACT subtest score reflects a minimum of a 19. An ACT score of 19 must be achieved on the reading subtest to enroll in any other subject (history, psychology, humanities, intro to public speaking, etc.).

Students will be responsible for their own fees, class materials and books.

Students planning to enroll for the upcoming 2007 fall semester should do so as soon as possible since classes begin August 22. Students interested in the 2008 spring semester should contact the SWOSU Admissions & Recruitment Office for enrollment procedures.

"SWOSU looks forward to serving high school seniors both now and in the future," Boyd said. "We hope they will enjoy their concurrent experience and select SWOSU as their college of choice upon graduating from high school."

Additional information about the tuition waiver opportunity is available by contacting the SWOSU Admissions and Recruitment Office at 580.774.3782 or on the Sayre campus at 580.928.5533.