MSU Denver’s College of Business partners with MBA Research to offer high school students college credit

DENVER – As dual-enrollment programs increase in popularity nationally, local school districts in Colorado are increasingly turning to new programs that can provide high school students the opportunity to earn college credit.

Metropolitan State University of Denver’s College of Business and MBA Research and Curriculum Center have established a new partnership that gives high school students the opportunity to attain up to seven college credits, free of charge. The program, High School of Business, establishes an affiliation agreement with local colleges that award college credit to high school students who successfully complete the curriculum.

Presently, 94 percent of school districts and 82 percent of high schools in Colorado participate in concurrent enrollment programs. More than 30 percent of high school 11th and 12th-graders in Colorado enrolled in some form of concurrent enrollment during the 2015-16 school year, with 38,519 students participating.

“Students are demonstrating real foresight and initiative with these type of programs, so we want to give them an initial boost as they contemplate higher education,” said Clay Daughtrey, associate dean of the College of Business. “And hopefully if they continue on, we have outlined a good landing spot for them in the future.”

Many high school students desire an early start to their college careers. Others are often faced with the difficult reality of being unable to pay university tuition costs. Research demonstrates that by allowing students to enroll in college curricula and earn credits prior to their completion of high school, empowers them to pursue postsecondary education.

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The High School of Business program has 24 affiliated high schools enrolled throughout Colorado, with 14 of those schools located in the Denver metro area. MSU Denver’s College of Business recently received AACSB-accreditation, a designation achieved by less than 5 percent of the world’s business-degree-granting universities. Students will gain advanced credit to a high-quality, affordable business program that is globally recognized.

The College of Business will offer three courses to students, at no cost, with the added bonus that these earned credits can be applied toward any of the nine business degrees that the College of Business currently offers. The program fully rolls out in fall 2017.
For more information, prospective students can visit https://www.m baresearch.org/HSB

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MSU Denver is a leader in educating Coloradans through university programs particularly relevant to the state’s economy and the demands of today’s employers. With the highest number of ethnically diverse students among the state’s four-year colleges, MSU Denver offers 67 bachelor’s degrees and five master’s degrees in accounting, business, health administration, teaching and social work. Nearly 20,000 students are currently enrolled at MSU Denver, and 75 percent of the University’s 88,000 graduates have remained in Colorado as valuable members of the state’s workforce.