

# UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENCE CHESS VS. NOVA

## MORE THAN JUST A COURSE

### Year-long Learning

CHESS offers students time for deeper learning and greater mastery of material, focusing on building a strong foundation.



### Small Interactive Courses

CHESS offers small courses that encourages students to engage and get to know their teachers.



### Learn Alongside Peers

Many CHESS courses involve discussion and participation, and CHESS students learn alongside their peers (ages 12-18).



### Semester-Long Sprint

Students must absorb, learn, and test on new material in a few months, allowing less time for deeper engagement.

### Large Lecture-Style Courses

Many college courses are large, lecture courses with little discussion and less opportunity to connect with instructors.

### Older Student Demographic

As NOVA students are ages 16 and up, it is less likely for students to connect with students in their peer group

COST FOR THREE CHESS COURSES **\$1500-1900**

**\$1000-\$1500 Savings**

THREE COMPARABLE COURSES AT NOVA **\$3050**

## Money Matters

Comparing the prices of three CHESS classes to three comparable classes at NOVA (Chemistry Lecture/Lab, Honors Writing, Pre-Calculus), CHESS students can save as much as \$1000-\$1500 dollars.

Price estimates include estimates for books and parking, and are based on NVCC (in-state) and CHESS rates as of 02/25 for 2020/21. Lowest CHESS prices reflect volunteer track pricing.



Not every college or university accepts community college credits. Some accept only general education requirements (classes not required for a major), while others only accept credits if they have a course they consider equivalent to the community college course.

Transferring college credits to a four-year institution can affect a student's **freshman status**, forcing a student to enroll as a transfer/sophomore student. This can limit a student's eligibility for scholarships, sports, and even dorm assignments, as well as impact their college experience overall.



# THE CHESS EXPERIENCE



## Opportunity

CHESS offers many extra-curricular opportunities, from pizza days to graduation!



## Worldview

Our courses and instructors reflect a respect for Christian values and worldview.



## Teachers

Our passionate instructors are dedicated to helping our students succeed.



## Community

We're all in this together! Find opportunity for community for students and parents.



## Foundational Math

Math courses below calculus taken at community college will not count toward a bachelor's degree. Precalculus, trigonometry, geometry, and algebra will not count towards a degree.

## More than academics...

At the end of the day, a high school student should choose the option that will give them the **experience** they are looking for and the academic environment they will thrive in.



Many CHESS students have dual enrolled and done well. While dual enrollment at a community college can be a good way to transition to college, not every homeschooled teen is ready for the pace, social environment, and workload of community college even while living at home. **Have questions about dual enrollment, or whether CHESS is right for you? Send us a message on our website, we'd love to talk to you!**



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