



WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY
TRI-CITIES

RUNNING START PROGRAM

A UNIVERSITY HOME FOR ALL

- **Student-Life:**
 - **50+ Student Resources**
 - **19 + Student Organizations**
 - **150+ Events A Year**
 - **47.8% Students Come From Diverse Backgrounds**
- **1:15 Faculty To Student Ratio**
 - **Know Your Professors And your classmates**



RUNNING START AT WSU-TC

- **Fulfill High School Requirements While Earning College Credit**
- **Preparation and Planning For Educational Or Career Interest**
 - **Take Courses Not Offered At High School**
- **Flexible Schedule**
- **Transition To Higher Education Settings**
- **Head Start On College Credit Transcript**
 - **Washington 45 – Transfer Credits**





KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- **Rigorous Curriculum**
- **Grades Heavily Weighted**
- **Communication Is IMPORTANT**
- **Fast-Paced and Independent Style Of Learning**
- **Balancing College With High School Obligations**
- **High School Students Will Be Viewed as College Students**
 - **Held to WSU-TC Standards, Expectations and Follow Academic Deadlines/Calendar**
- **WSU Tri-Cities is 100% In-Person Classroom Instruction**
 - **Running Start Students Do Not Have The Option To Do Global (Online) Courses**

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Arts & Sciences

- **Arts**
 - Digital Technology and Culture
 - Fine Arts
 - English (Literary & Rhetoric)
 - History
 - Humanities
 - Social Sciences
 - General Studies
 - Psychology
- **Sciences**
 - Biology (General & Pre-Health)
 - Environmental & Ecosystem Sciences
 - General Sciences (Mathematics & Physical)
 - Pre-Health

Nursing

- **BSN (Pre-Licensure)**

Business

- **Business Administration**
- **Hospitality Business Management**
- **Management**
- **Wine Business Management**

Education

- **Elementary Education (Various Endorsements)**

Engineering & Applied Sciences

- **Civil**
- **Computer Science**
- **Electrical**
- **Mechanical**

Integrated Plant Sciences

- **Viticulture & Enology (Wine Science)**



FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

EXPENSE	ESTIMATED COST	ADDITIONAL INFO
Credits beyond 15	\$548 per credit hour	1 class = 3-4 credits
Cougar Card ID	\$10	
Safety and Transportation Fee	\$65 per semester max	
Course Fees	Vary on course (majority do not require fee)	
Writing Placement Exam	\$40	
Math Placement Exam	\$45	
Miscellaneous Expenses	Dependent on student need	Books, Personal Transportation, School Supplies, Food
*Students that qualify for Free and Reduce Lunch may be eligible for a fees waiver		



WSU PLACEMENT TEST RESULTS

Writing Placement Score	Course	Title
1	English 101	College Composition
2	English 101 & 102	College Composition with writing tutorial

ALEKS Score (Math Placement)	Course	Title
40%	Math 103	Algebra Methods
45%	Math 105	Exploring Mathematics
	Stats 212	Intro to Statistics
70%	Math 106	College Algebra
83%	Math 171	Calculus I



SAMPLE GRADUATION PLAN



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2021-2022

Pasco School District
(Pasco, Chiawana, New Horizons)
Credit Equivalencies

Name: _____ School: _____ WSU ID # _____ Grad Year: _____

English (English 11 & English 12)

ENGL 101 & 102 (*Writing Placement score required*), 108, 201, 210, 220, HUM 103

WSU Course	WSU Credit	HS Credit	Term
English 11 _____	3	1	
English 12 _____	3	1	
Completed at the HS _____			

Fine Arts 1.0 HS Credit

F_A 101, 102, 103, 110

WSU Course	WSU Credit	HS Credit	Term
	3	1	
	3	1	
Completed at the HS _____			

Social Studies (CWP) 1.0 HS Credit

SOC 101, 102, POL_S 101, 102, HIST 105, ECONS 101 (*Aleks Placement required*)

WSU Course	WSU Credit	HS Credit	Term
	3	1	
Completed at the HS _____			

Social Studies (U.S. History) 1.0 HS Credit

HIST 110 (.5 credit) & 111 (.5 credit) or HIST 150

WSU Course	WSU Credit	HS Credit	Term
	3	.5 - 1	
	3	.5 - 1	
Completed at the HS _____			

Social Studies (Civics) 1.0 HS Credit

POL_S 101, 102, 103



SAMPLE SEMESTER SCHEDULE

FALL SEMESTER 2022

Running Start Students Can Take A MAXIMUM Of 15 Credits Per Semester

<u>Course</u>	<u>HS Equivalency</u>	<u>UCORE</u>	<u># of College Credits</u>	<u># of HS Credits</u>	<u>Additional Info</u>
ENGL 101	Jr/Sr Language Arts	WRTG	3	1	ENGL 102 may be needed based on placement exam score
					Writing Placement Exam (Fee)
HIST 110	US History	HUM	3	1	Must take HIST 110 & HIST 111 for HS credit (for most schools)
MATH 106	Math		3	1	MATH 101 or MATH 103 needed or ALEKS placement score of 70%
					Math Placement Exam (Fee)
FINE_ART 101	Fine Arts	ARTS	3	1	

*This is a sample schedule for a student who is taking graduation required courses and University Common Requirements (UCORE)

1 SEMESTER = 16 WEEKS

**CLASSES ARE HELD:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday's
OR
Tuesday and Thursday's**





ADMISSION CRITERIA

STUDENTS WHO HAVE A **3.50 OR HIGHER CUMULATIVE HIGH SCHOOL GPA** (ON A 4.0 SCALE) ARE ACADEMICALLY ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

STUDENTS WHO HAVE A **3.30 - 3.49 CUMULATIVE HIGH SCHOOL GPA** ARE ELIGIBLE AND REVIEWED FOR ADMISSION BY A WSU FACULTY COMMITTEE. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS REQUESTED TO ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN MAKING THEIR DETERMINATION.

HOMESCHOOL STUDENTS ARE REVIEWED FOR ADMISSION BY A WSU FACULTY COMMITTEE ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS REQUESTED TO ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN MAKING THEIR DETERMINATION.

STUDENTS WHOSE **CUMULATIVE HIGH SCHOOL GPA IS BELOW 3.30** ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION BUT ARE ENCOURAGED TO IMPROVE THEIR GPA AND APPLY THE FOLLOWING ACADEMIC YEAR.

STUDENTS MUST MAINTAIN A 2.0 CUMULATIVE WSU GRADE POINT AVERAGE TO REMAIN ELIGIBLE FOR WSU RUNNING START.



APPLICATION PROCESS

**STUDENTS WITH A
CUMULATIVE GPA 3.5 OR
ABOVE**



Submit Online Application



**Additional form links (FERPA & Parent Permission
Form) will be emailed once application is received**



**Email Unofficial high school transcript - *Midterm
grades are not accepted***

**STUDENTS WITH A
CUMULATIVE GPA 3.3-3.49 OR
HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS**



Submit Online Application



**Additional form links (FERPA & Parent Permission
Form) will be emailed once application is received**



Email the following items:

- Unofficial high school transcript - *Midterm grades are not accepted*
- Letters of recommendation from teacher and/or counselors
- Personal statement detailing educational goals
- Standardized test scores, if available (PSAT, PLAN)

WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

- **Apply For Running Start Admission**
 - **Applications are OPEN!!**
 - **Submit Unofficial High School Transcripts Via Email**
 - **Students Will Be Emailed FERPA and Parent Permission Form**
 - **Acceptance Letters Will Be Emailed April 11th**
- **Once Admitted**
 - **Students MUST Complete Placement Exams**
 - **Advise and Prepare For Enrollment**
 - **Online Orientation**
 - **Selection of Courses**
 - **Submission of Enrollment Verification Form (EVF)**



WSU COVID-19 GUIDELINES

- **All Students (Running Start Students Included) At A WSU Campus Or Location:**
 - **Require Proof Of The COVID-19 Vaccination For The 2022–2023 Academic Year**
 - ***A Hold Will Be Placed On The Student's Account And They will Not Be Able To Register For Classes Until Proof Of Vaccination Or Exemption Is Completed***
- **Exemptions Will Be Allowed For Students With:**
 - **Sincerely-held Religious Beliefs And**
 - **Documented Medical Reasons**
- **Personal/Philosophical Exemptions Are No Longer Accepted**
- **For Questions About COVID-19 Policy:**
 - **covid-19.info@wsu.edu**
- **For Medical Questions or Help Submitting Documentation:**
 - **cougarhealth@wsu.edu**
 - **509-335-357**



Washington State University Continues To Track Conditions Across The State With Regards To The Omicron Variant Of Covid-19. Decision-making Concerning Campus Operations Will Continue To Be Informed By Data And Guidance From State And County Health Agencies.

HELPFUL LINKS

- TOUR WSU TC CAMPUS:
 - <https://tricity.wsu.edu/admissions/visit-campus/>
- APPLY FOR ADMISSION:
 - <https://tricity.wsu.edu/running-start/rs/>
- MATH PLACEMENT (ALEKS):
 - tricity.wsu.edu/academic-resources/math-placement
- WRITING PLACEMENT:
 - tricity.wsu.edu/academic-resources/writing-placement/





QUESTIONS?

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