

# Whatcom Community College / Bellingham Technical College Course & Credit Equivalency Guide

This document is intended as a reference guide only. Students who plan to earn a Bellingham Public Schools diploma using community college courses for credit should work closely with their school counselor and Running Start advisor to ensure that each course and credit earned contributes to and satisfies Bellingham Public Schools graduation requirements.

## CREDIT EQUIVALENCIES

BPS Credit	WCC/BTC Credit
.20 Credit	1.0 Credit
.40 Credit	2.0 Credit
.60 Credit	3.0 Credit
.80 Credit	4.0 Credit
1.0 Credit	5.0 Credit

Please note that courses numbered below the 100 level are not considered college-level and are not funded by the Running Start program. If you enroll in a course below the 100 level, the cost will be the student's responsibility and the course will not earn community college credit. Students are strongly encouraged to check with their Whatcom Community College counselor before enrolling in any course below the 100 level. In addition, students should confirm with the colleges or universities they plan to attend whether community college dual credit courses will transfer and be accepted for college credit.

BSD REQUIREMENTS	WCC/BTC COURSES	WCC/BTC COURSE TITLE	COLLEGE CREDITS
<b>ENGLISH – 4 credits</b>			
Note: Journalism and Communications courses are available as 12th grade credit only	Various courses	Any English course 100 level or above.	varies
	JOURN 205 (WCC)	Writing for Media	3-5
	CMST& 101	Introduction to Communications	5
	CMST& 102	Introduction to Mass Media	5
	CMST& 210	Interpersonal Communications	5
	CMST& 220	Public Speaking	5
	CMST& 230	Small Group Communications	5
	ESOL 113, 115 & 117 (WCC)	College Composition and Reading for ESOL Students	6
BUS 188 (BTC)	Business English	5	
<b>CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION – 1.5 credits</b>			
Technical Literacy - .50 credits Electives – 1.0 credits	BTEC 121 (WCC) ( <i>TechLit</i> )	Word Processing 1	3
	CIS 100 (WCC) ( <i>TechLit</i> )	Computer Literacy	3-5
	Various courses ( <i>electives</i> )	Any 100 level or above course in any Professional Technical Programs, including: Accounting, Business, Business Technology, Computer Information Systems, Criminal Justice, Computer Science, Early Childhood Education, Education, Economics, Engineering, Medical Assisting, Nursing, Office Administration, Paralegal Studies, Career Search, Job Finding Skills and Visual Communications	varies
<b>ART – 2.0 credits</b>			
	Various courses	Any art, drama, film or music course 100 level or above.	3-5
	HUM& 101	Introduction to the Humanities	5-6
<b>MATH – 3.0 credits</b>			
	Various courses	Any math course 100 level or above.	5
<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION – 1.5 credits</b>			
	Various courses	Any activity-based PE course 100 level or above.	1-5
	DANCE 101 (WCC)	Modern Dance I	3
	DANCE 102 (WCC)	Modern Dance II	3
	DANCE 103 (WCC)	Modern Dance III	3
<b>HEALTH - .50 credits</b>			
	PE 181 (WCC)	Health and Wellness	5
<b>SCIENCE – 3 credits</b>			
Note: 2 years of lab science required	Various courses	Any science course 100 level or above.	5
<b>WORLD LANGUAGE – 2.0 credits</b>			
Note: Two consecutive years in the same language is required	ASL& 121 (WCC)	American Sign Language I	5
	ASL& 122 (WCC)	American Sign Language II	5
	[Language] 121	[Language] I	5
	[Language] 122	[Language] II	5

<b>SOCIAL STUDIES – 3.0 credits</b>			
<b>Contemporary World History</b> – 1.0 credit (note: two of the college courses required, one for each semester of World History)	HIST& 126 (WCC)	World Civilizations I	5
	HIST& 127 (WCC)	World Civilizations II	5
	HIST& 128 (WCC)	World Civilizations III	5
<b>United States History</b> – 1.0 credit (note: both college courses required, one for each semester of US History)	HIST & 147	United States History II	5
	HIST& 148	United States History III	5
<b>Civics</b> – .50 credits	POLS& 202	American Government	5
<b>Social Studies Elective</b> –.50 credits	Various courses	Any 100 level or above Anthropology, Geography, History, Psychology, Sociology, or Political Science course	5
<b>Washington State History</b> – if not taken in middle school	HIST& 214 (WCC)	Pacific Northwest History	5