



Meridian High School / Whatcom Community College Course and Credit Equivalency Guide

For students in Running Start Fall 2017 and beyond

CREDIT EQUIVALENCIES - Each class taken at Whatcom Community College (WCC) will be applied at Meridian High School based on the following equivalency chart:

WCC	MHS	WCC	MHS
1.0	.20	4.0	.80
2.0	.40	5.0	1.0
3.0	.60		

Courses numbered below 100 are not college-level so are not funded by the Running Start program. Check with your counselor prior to enrolling in below-100 level courses to determine if high school credit can be awarded.

<u>Graduation Requirement</u>	<u>Eligible WCC Course(s)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
<p>English</p> <p>*11th Grade English A student must take two (2) 5 credit WCC courses (one composition and one literature) to meet the graduation requirement.</p> <p>12th Grade English A student needs to take one WCC course (composition or lit) 5 credit WCC course to meet the graduation requirement.</p>	<p>Composition ENGL& 101 - Composition I ENGL 201 - Advanced Composition ENGL 202 - Writing About Literature ENGL 235 - Technical Writing ENGL 236 - Creative Writing I ENGL 237 - Creative Writing II</p> <p>Literature ENGL& 111 - Introduction to Literature ENGL& 113 - Introduction to Poetry ENGL 124 - Environmental Literature ENGL 134 - Shakespeare and Performance ENGL 136 - Science Fiction & Fantasy ENGL 137 - Literature & Society ENGL 141 - Introduction to Fiction: The Short Story ENGL 142 - Introduction to Fiction: The Novel ENGL 150 - Introduction to British Literature ENGL 161 - Introduction to American Literature ENGL 169 - Modern and Contemporary American Poetry ENGL 191 - Studies in Non-Western Literature ENGL 238 - Gender and Literature ENGL 250 - Studies in Major Periods of British Literature ENGL 258 - Studies in Major British Authors ENGL 261 - Studies in Major Periods of American Literature ENGL 266 - Ethnic Literature of the US ENGL 267 - Native American Literature ENGL 268 - Studies in Major American Authors ENGL 282 - Introduction to World Literature ENGL 284 - Western World Lit: Studies in Major Periods ENGL 286 - Mythology ENGL 288 - Western World Lit: Studies in Major Authors</p>	<p>The same WCC/BTC course may NOT be used to meet high school English graduation requirements.</p> <p>ESLA classes may be used for graduation credit for students who are currently being served by our EL program. If you are in the EL program please talk to your counselor about options.</p>
US History	HIST& 147 - US History II HIST& 148 - US History III	US History II covers material from 1 st semester US History III covers material from 2 nd semester
Senior Social Studies	One five credit 100 level or above course from the following: ANTHROPOLOGY BUS&201 – Business Law ECONOMICS HISTORY (except US) PHILOSOPHY POLITICAL SCIENCE (except 202) PSYCHOLOGY SOCIOLOGY	
Mathematics	MATH - Any math course 100 level or above MATH 99**	** MATH 99 is not funded by the Running Start program. Please check with you counselor to determine if high school credit can be rewarded.
Fine Arts	Any 100 level or above ART, DRAMA, MUSIC that is a performance class	Performance class notes with a (P) in course catalog. 2nd (II) and 3rd level (III) classes that follow a first level (I) class that has a (P) are also approved.
Physical Education	All PHYSICAL EDUCATION classes that are activity based courses DANCE 101, 102, 103 – Modern Dance I, II, III	Students may take any combination of PE or Dance classes that will total 3 or 5 WCC credits. Other PE courses can be used as electives.

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Science	Any Lab science 100 level or above: Biology[^], Chemistry[^], Geology, Oceanography, Physical Science, Physics[^] [^] Students cannot take a class in these subject areas if they have earned high school credit in that same subject area	Students need 2.0 HS credit in lab science to graduate. Additionally, at least one algebra-based science course is required for admission to a Washington university. Consult the WCC catalog for lab science designation and algebra prerequisite.
Career Technical Education (CTE) / Occupational Ed	Any 100 level or above PROFESSIONAL / TECHNICAL program. Any 100 level or above ECONOMICS program ENGINEERING100 - Discovering Engineering PE 133 – Introduction to Athletic Training PSYCH 105 - Career Search Process PSYCH 106 - Job Finding Skills	Professional Technical Programs include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accounting and Finance • Business and Office Administration • Computer Information Systems • Criminal Justice • Early Childhood Education • Healthcare • Hospitality and Tourism Business Management • Massage Practitioner • Medical Assisting • Nursing • Paralegal Studies • Physical Therapist Assistant • Visual Communications
World Language	Any 121 level or above class in the following languages: ASL French German Japanese Spanish	Students take two consecutive quarters of language at WCC, or combine a high school language course with the next level of the same language at WCC. To meet the graduation requirement, complete through the <u>second</u> year of a language, or through the <u>122</u> level at WCC.
Electives	Any 100 level and above course	

Students can also take WCC classes to make up courses either failed or not taken in 9th and 10th grade

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Civics	POLS& 202 – American Government	
Health	PE 181 – Health and Wellness	
English 9th/10th Grade English A student who needs to make up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • .5 HS credit can take a 3 credit or 5 credit WCC course to meet the graduation requirement. • 1.0 HS credit can take two 3 credit or one 5 credit WCC course to meet the graduation requirement. 	Same courses as listed in 11 th and 12 th grade English are eligible. The same WCC course may NOT be used to meet high school English graduation requirements. If a student needs to make up more than 1.0 credit from 9 th and 10 th grade English, they will need to develop a plan with their high school counselor. ESLA classes may be used for graduation credit for students who are currently being served by our EL program. If you are in the EL program please talk to your counselor about options.	
Mathematics	MATH - Any math course 100 level or above MATH 98***	*** MATH 98 is not funded by the Running Start program. Please check with you counselor to determine if high school credit can be rewarded.
Contemporary World Problems	GEOG 100 – Introduction to Geography GEOG 105 – World Geography in Transition	
WA State History	GEOG 115 – Pacific Northwest Geography HIST& 214 – Pacific Northwest History	
Science – Biology	Any BIOLOGY Lab science 100 level or above	
Science – Chemistry	Any CHEMISTRY Lab science 100 level or above	
Fine Arts / P.E. / CTE / Electives	Same courses as listed above are eligible.	