Bellingham Public Schools

Whatcom Community College Course and Credit Equivalency Guide

This document is meant only as a reference guide. If you intend to earn a Bellingham Public School Diploma using community college courses to earn credit, please work with your school counselor and Running Start Advisor to ensure each course you take and credit you complete contributes to, and satisfies, Bellingham Public Schools graduation requirements.

BPS Credit	=Equals= WCC Credit
.2 Credit	1.0 Credit
.4 Credit	2.0 Credit
.6 Credit	3.0 Credit
.8 Credit	4.0 Credit
1.0 Credit	5.0 Credit

Please know that any course number below 100 level are not considered 'college level' and are not funded by the Running Start program. Please check with your Whatcom Community College counselor prior to enrolling into a course that is below 100 level as it will be at the student's expense and not available for community college credit. It is important that you check with colleges and universities you are interested in to see if they might take your transfer of community college "dual credit" as college credit.

BSD Requirement	WCC Courses	WCC Course	WCC
		Title	Credit
English		Any English course 100 level or above	
A minimum of 4 English credits are required for BPS graduation.	JOURN 210 CMST& 101 CMST& 102	Writing for the Mass Media Introduction to Communications Introduction to Mass Media Interpersonal	5 5 5
Journalism and Communications courses are available as 12 th grade credit only.	CMST& 210 CMST& 220 CMST& 230 ESOL 113, 115 & 117	Communications Public Speaking Small Group Communications College Composition and Reading for ESOL Students	5 5 5 5
Career and Technical Ed			
1.0 BPS CTE credits are required for BPS graduation .5 BPS Technical Literacy credits are required for BPS Graduation	BTEC 121 CIS 100	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, Art 185- Introduction to Visual Communications Tech Literacy- Word Processing Tech Literacy- Computer Literacy	5 5
Fine Arts 2.0 BPS Fine Arts credits are required for BPS Graduation.	HUM& 101	Any Art, Drama, Film or Music course 100 level or above. Introduction to Humanities	3 to 5
<u>Mathematics</u>			
3.0 BPS Math credits are required for graduation.		Any Math course 100 level or above. 2/1/2024	5 4

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Physical Education/Health			
1.5 BPS PE credits are required for graduation.	DANCE 101 DANCE 102 DANCE 103	Any activity based Physical Education course 100 level or above. Modern Dance I Modern Dance II Modern Dance III	1 to 5 3 3 3
.5 BPS Health credits are required for BPS Graduation.	PE 181	Health and Wellness	5
Science 3.0 BPS Science credits (two years of lab science) are required for BPS Graduation.		Any Science course 100 level or above	5
Social Studies/History			
3.0 BPS Social Studies credits are required for BPS Graduation.			
Contemporary World History 1.0 Two college classes required, one for each semester of World History	HIST& 126 HIST& 127 HIST& 128 choose two of the above	World Civilizations I World Civilizations II World Civilizations III	5 5 5
<u>United States History</u> 1.0 Two college classes required, one for each semester of US History.	HIST&147 AND HIST&148	United States History II United States History III	5 5
Civics .5	POLS& 202	American Government	5
Social Study Elective .5		Any 100 level or above Anthropology, Geography, History, Psychology, Sociology, or Political Science course	
WA State History If not taken and brought up from Middle School.	HIST& 214	Pacific Northwest History	5
World Language			
2.0 concurrent (same language) BPS World Language credits are required for BPS Graduation	ASL 121 ASL 122 Language 121 Language 122 Language 123	American Sign Language I American Sign Language II Language 1 Language 2 Language 3	5 5 5 5 5