



INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

Common Course Numbering (CCN) Project

<http://www.whatcom.ctc.edu/ccn>

- As a result of implementing the state-wide Common Course Numbering (CCN) project, approximately 200 Whatcom Course ID's (disciplines, numbers and/or titles) changed during the week of October 6-10. Courses designated as common are now identified with an ampersand (&) in the course discipline; for example, BIOL 270 is now BIOL& 241. Other courses, while not designated as common, also required changes to align with the CCN project—for example, PSYCH 210 changed to PSYC 210, SPCH 220 changed to CMST 250, etc. Refer to the CCN webpage (<http://www.whatcom.ctc.edu/ccn>) for a complete list of affected courses.
- In addition to the CCN webpage, the master list of all courses that have changed is also included in the new 2008-10 Catalog's Course Descriptions section (pages 80-85). The catalog's degree/certificate templates (pages 42-78), as well as the quarterly class schedules (both online and paper publications), are cross-referenced with both the new CCN course ID's and the former course ID's during this academic year's transition period.
- During the week of October 6-10, WCC automatically implemented all course changes for fall quarter. After October 10th, you should print an updated copy of your fall [Student Schedule](#) from O.A.S.I.S. to confirm what, if any, changes were made to your individual schedule. At the end of fall quarter, all student academic records will reflect the new course ID's (disciplines, numbers and titles). Note: Courses taken at Whatcom prior to fall quarter 2008 will not be changed.
- **IMPORTANT:** These changes will be effective not only for fall, but for all future quarters. Therefore, as you plan your upcoming class schedules, you could be at risk for enrolling in courses already taken if you do not pay close attention to CCN changes. You might assume that the CCN discipline/ number/title change means it's a "new" or "different" course, but it might actually be equivalent to a course you've already taken. Because the student management computer system does not contain a crosswalk from the former course ID to the new CCN course ID, the online registration system will not recognize if you enroll in a class (new CCN course ID) that was previously taken (former course ID). You must rely on the CCN webpage, the [Course ID Changes](#) list on that webpage, the 2008-10 Catalog, the online (and printed) quarterly [Class Schedules](#), and advisors for assistance.
- The CCN project does not change how WCC courses are used in existing degrees, certificates or training endorsements.
- Not all WCC courses are included in the CCN project because the project is focused on academic transfer courses. Your degree/certificate plan will most likely include both CCN and non-CCN courses.

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- The CCN project will help you identify courses that are common among the Washington State Community and Technical Colleges so that you do not accidentally repeat courses when transferring to or from one of these colleges.
- The CCN project does not affect how courses are transferred to 4-year colleges or universities; however, common courses will be more easily identified by these institutions for transfer purposes.
- The CCN project does not affect previously transferred-in course evaluations at WCC.
- Advisors are available to assist you with CCN questions, developing and/or reviewing your educational plan and selecting appropriate classes for future quarters. Use their expertise to ensure you are on the right track!

Students are strongly encouraged to attend a CCN Information Session to get questions/concerns addressed. The following sessions have been scheduled:

Tuesday, October 14 th	3:30-5	Syre Auditorium
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Wednesday, October 22 nd	3:30-5	Syre Auditorium
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To sign up for one of these sessions, visit:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/WCC-CCN>

or contact the Entry & Advising Center, LDC 116, (360) 383-3080.

For sign language interpretation or speech-to-text services, please contact Kerri Burch at kburch@whatcom.ctc.edu.

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