How to transfer credits to WCC from another college?

1. Request your previous college(s) send an official academic transcript to

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Note: For the purpose of meeting with an advisor an unofficial copy of your transcript is all you need. Unofficial copies can be requested from the sending college or you may be able to print one from the college's web site.

- 2. Submit a <u>Request for Acceptance of Transfer Credits [PDF]</u> form to the Registration/Records Office. Transcripts from previous colleges are not automatically evaluated when received. Transcripts are not evaluated until a request has been received.
 - A transcript evaluation takes 6-8 weeks to process due to the high volumes of requests but you don't have to wait until your transcript has been evaluated before seeking help with academic planning or selecting courses for your schedule. You can bring an unofficial copy of your transcript to Entry & Advising and meet with an advisor prior to the evaluation.
- 3. When you receive an the evaluation make an individual appointment with an advisor in LDC 116 to see how your credits apply toward your degree/certificate.
- 4. Want to learn more about how credits are reviewed and evaluated by the Credential Evaluators? Yes!

Transferring credits from another community college in Washington State?

If you have fulfilled a specific course requirement or entire area of a degree requirement at another Washington State community college then you might meet those same degree requirements at WCC.

To initiate a review process you need to provide all necessary documentation demonstrating you completed a specific degree requirement at another Washington State community college to WCC. The course review is subject to WCC's catalog agreement and you must complete the minimum number of credits required to earn a WCC degree.

If you think you might have courses that qualify ask your advisor to assist you with this process. For more information on the Washington's Community and Technical Colleges (CTC's) Reciprocity Agreement for students transferring within the CTC system.

How do credits transfer from colleges outside of the United States?

If you have credits from colleges outside the United States, follow the <u>International Transcript Evaluation</u> procedures. If you have additional questions, call one of our WCC Evaluators at 360.383.3036 or 360.383.3037.

Credit for Prior Learning

In some instances learning acquired through significant college level experience in **employment**, **self-study**, **training**, **volunteering and travel** can be evaluated for credit. Contact Entry & Advising Center, located in the Laidlaw Center, Room 116, or call (360) 383-3080 for assistance.

To earn **Credit by Examination or Evaluation** you must demonstrate competence through examinations or special evaluation portfolios.

AP, CLEP, IB, & Military Training courses

Students who earned credit through **AP**, **IB**, **CLEP**, **or Military Training Courses** must submit official transcripts/scores and a Request for Acceptance of Transfer Credits [PDF] form to the Registration/Records Office. Credit granted is considered transferred-in credit and is posted on the student's academic transcript at the time of graduation.

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Advanced Placement (AP) - The Advanced Placement program consists of college-level courses and exams for high school students. The college awards credit for higher level AP exams that meet subject and score criteria agreed upon by the college departments that oversee each appropriate discipline. <u>AP Scores & WCC</u> Equivalencies [PDF Format]

College Level Examination Program (CLEP) - Credits from nationally standardized CLEP General and Subject exams with a score of 50 or higher may be accepted as electives in the Associate in Arts, Associate in Science or Associate in Liberal Studies non-transfer degrees. A maximum of 15 credits for approved Subject exams with a score of 50 or higher may be applied to the unlisted elective category of the Associate in Arts and Sciences (AAS-DTA) or Associate in Science (AS-T) transfer degrees.

International Baccalaureate (IB) - The International Baccalaureate program consists of college-level courses and exams for high school students. The college awards credit for higher level IB examinations that meet subject and score criteria agreed upon by the college departments and oversee each appropriate discipline. IB Scores & WCC Equivalencies [PDF Format]

Military Credit - Documented military training will be evaluated by the college upon entrance to a degree, certificate or diploma program.