

UW Tacoma Equivalency Guide Manual

The **UW Tacoma Equivalency Guide** provides information on how Common Course Numbering courses transfer to the University of Washington Tacoma.

These charts only include courses from the [Common Course Numbering Database](#). A full list of course equivalencies from Washington State Community and Technical Colleges is available at the University of Washington [Equivalency Guide](#).

How to read the Equivalency Guide Tables

Column 1: Common Course Number

Lists specific details about the [common course number](#) from the community or technical college. Includes course prefix, course number, and the number of credits (in parentheses).

Column 2: Course Title

Lists the course title for the community college course.

Column 3: UW Equivalent

How the course will appear on your UW transcript and transfer credit report. Indicates the equivalent UW course prefix and number for the course listed in Column 1.

Column 4: UW Tacoma Equivalent

The UW Tacoma course prefix and number for the course when a UW Tacoma course exists. Courses without a specific course equivalent have a note to indicate whether the course satisfies a UW Tacoma requirement.

Column 5: UW Requirement

Indicates how courses satisfy UW general education requirements. If the column is blank, the course does not satisfy any requirements.

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Transfer Credit

Courses with a Specific UW Equivalent

Common Course Number	Course Title	UW Equivalent (how course will appear on UW transcript)	UW Tacoma Equivalent	UW Requirement
CHEM& 121 (5)	Intro to Chemistry	CHEM 120 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NW [Q]

Courses without a Specific UW Equivalent

A 1XX or 2XX instead of a course number indicates that the course transfers but is not equivalent to a specific course at the UW. 1XX indicates community/technical college courses offered at the 100 level; 2XX indicates courses offered at the 200 level.

Example:

Common Course Number	Course Title	UW Equivalent (how course will appear on UW transcript)	UW Tacoma Equivalent	UW Requirement
HUM& 101 (5)	Intro to Humanities	UW 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	VLPA, I&S

Departmental 1XX or 2XX: 1XX or 2XX following a departmental prefix indicates that content is not equivalent to a specific UW course but does generally correspond to a specific UW program. Examples: BIOL 2XX, MATH 1XX.

Example:

Common Course Number	Course Title	UW Equivalent (how course will appear on UW transcript)	UW Tacoma Equivalent	UW Requirement
MATH& 153 (5)	Calculus III	MATH 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NW

Courses with a Specific UW Tacoma Equivalent

Common Course Number	Course Title	UW Equivalent (how course will appear on UW transcript)	UW Tacoma Equivalent	UW Requirement
BUS& 201 (5)	Business Law	MGMT 200 (5)	TBGEN 218 (5)	I&S

Courses without a Specific UW Tacoma Equivalent that satisfy a UW Tacoma requirement

Common Course Number	Course Title	UW Equivalent (how course will appear on UW transcript)	UW Tacoma Equivalent	UW Requirement
BIOL& 100 (5)	Survey of Biology	BIOL 100 (5)	Approved human biology course for Social Welfare admission requirement. 5 transfer credits received.	NW

Courses Taken as Part of a Sequence

Common Course Number	Course Title	UW Equivalent (how course will appear on UW transcript)	UW Tacoma Equivalent	UW Requirement
BIOL& 211, 212, 213 (6, 6, 6)	Majors Ecology/Evolution, Molecular, Phys	BIOL 180, 200, 220, 2XX (5, 5, 5, 3) if all three courses taken; otherwise 2XX	TESC 120, 130, 140 (5, 5, 5)	NW

General Education and Basic Skills Requirements Key

Areas of Knowledge Key		
I&S	Individuals and Society	I&S courses focus on the study of human behavior both individually and socially
NW	Natural World	NW Courses focus on the scientific study of the physical world
VLPA	Visual, Literature, and Performing Arts	Visual, Literature, and Performing Arts

Basic Skills Key	
C	Composition
Q	Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning
W	Writing