

Dual Credit Opportunities

Get a head start on your future and earn credit for both high school and college, simultaneously.

Advanced Placement (AP)/International Baccalaureate (IB)



Courses denoted in course descriptions by an 'AP' (Advanced Placement) or 'IB' (International Baccalaureate) are courses designed to be the equivalent of college level work. Studies have shown that students who take AP or IB classes are better prepared for college than students who have not participated. The completion of AP or IB courses receives favorable consideration by college admissions offices. Students who successfully pass an AP or IB test will receive college credit at most colleges and universities. Such testing traditionally takes place during the first two weeks of May.

Students interested in enrolling in AP or IB classes should consult with their school counselor. For information about applying to the International Baccalaureate program contact the International Baccalaureate Coordinator at Columbia River High School.

Running Start

"Running Start" is another program which can lead to college credit, and it is operated in partnership with Clark College. Students have the opportunity as juniors and seniors to take courses at both their home school and Clark College. Credits earned count toward both high school graduation and community college degree programs. Anyone interested in enrolling in classes at Clark through this program should consult the Running Start program guidelines available from the high school counselor within the Vancouver School District.



College in the High School (CHS)



The College in the High School Program affords students the opportunity to acquire University of Washington (UW) or Central Washington University (CWU) credit through selected classes offered at participating high schools. Highly qualified VPS teachers, approved as instructors at the designated college or university provide instruction and work closely with college professors.

Career & Technical Education (CTE) College Articulation

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Research suggests that participation in dual enrollment can lead to better grades in high school, increased enrollment in college following high school, higher rates of persistence in college, and greater credit accumulation.

(ed.gov/US Department of Education)

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Why take CTE College Articulation classes?

- Students get a “jump start” on their college education and career plans
- Students save time and money by fulfilling degree requirements while still in high school.
- Students are able to bypass entry-level college courses when they register at a community college.
- College articulation credits are guaranteed at the college for which the articulation agreement is approved and may be used at another community college or university, dependent on their admission criteria. Or, you may enter the military at a higher rank.

How Can I Get College Credit Now?

- Enroll in a CTE College Articulation course at your high school. Earn a minimum grade (varies from college to college). Some courses require additional tests or have portfolio requirements.
- Work with your teacher or Career Specialist to register for the college credit.

Course Name, VPS Course Code	CRHS	FBHS	HBHS	SHS	VFA	VVLA	VHC	VSAA	College	Credits	Savings
Horticulture Science - 7521/7522	X	X	X		X				CCC	2	\$193
Advanced Horticulture - 4751/4752	X	X	X		X				CCC	3	\$289.50
NextTools - 4205/4205a/4206			X						CC	3	\$319.74
Accounting - Show Me the Money - 4241/4242				X					CC	6	\$639.48
Health Sciences and Careers - 6271/6272		X							CC	6	\$639.48
Medical Terminology and Practice - 6281/6282		X							CC	7	\$746.06
Anatomy and Physiology - 7561/7562		X							CC	4	\$426.32
Psychology and Health Issues - 6291/6292		X							CC	2	\$213.16
Athletic Medicine - 4401/4402		X							CC	1	\$106.58
Graphic Design - 0201v/0202v	X	X	X	X	X			X	CC	8	\$852.64
Advanced Graphic Design - 0211v/0212v	X	X	X	X	X			X	CC and MHCC	8	\$852.64
GRADS - 4431/4432			X						CC	3	\$319.74
Financial Algebra - 4811/4812, 4811v/4812v	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		CC	5	\$532.90
Career Choices - 5101/5102, 5101w/5102w	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	CC	3	\$319.74
Child Development - 4461		X	X	X		X	X		CC	7	\$746.06
Child Development - 4462	X	X	X	X		X	X		CC	7	\$746.06
Exploring Childhood - 4451	X								CC	10	\$1,065.80

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Exploring Childhood - 4452	X								CC	10	\$1,065.80
Moving Image Arts - 4131/4132					X			X	MHCC	1	\$106.58
Advanced Video Production - 4131/4132			X						MHCC	4	\$426.32
Video Production Special Projects - 4141/4142			X						MHCC	4	\$426.32
Advanced Video Production - 4131/4132	X			X					MHCC	5	\$1,221.25
Video Production Special Projects - 4141/4142	X			X					MHCC	5	\$1,221.25
Advanced Welding - 50211/50212		X							CC	2	\$213.16
Microsoft Imagine Academy - 4215/4216	X		X		X	X	X		LCC	22	\$2528.24
Applied Algebra - 3241v/3242v		X	X		X				CC	5	\$532.90
Careers in Education - 4481/4482		X							LCC	5	\$574.60
Modeling Our World w/Mathematics - 3725/3726		X	X	X					CC	5	\$532.90
Culinary Arts - 47211/47212		X							CC	11	\$1264.12
ASL I - 1601V/1602V	X	X	X	X				X	LCC	5	\$574.60

CCC = Clackamas Community College; CC = Clark College; MHCC = Mt. Hood Community College; LCC = Lower Columbia College

For more information about the CTE College Articulation, visit the following web sites:

Clark College:

http://www.clark.edu/academics/partnerships/highschool_partnerships.php

Clackamas Community College:

<https://www.clackamas.edu/academics/academic-offerings/high-school-connections>

Mt. Hood Community College:

<https://www.mhcc.edu/CNHighSchools/>

Lower Columbia College:

<https://lowercolumbia.edu/career-connected-learning/index.php>

Running Start Acceptable Equivalent Courses

The Vancouver Public Schools only guarantees to accept the following courses as equivalent courses to meet English, social studies, math and science graduation requirements. All other Running Start course work will be applied to elective credits unless prior approval is obtained from your school counselor.

For English and social studies, two terms are required. Students will earn more than the minimum required credits. Not all courses are available every quarter.

English 11: two classes required, consisting of one composition and one American Literature.

___ English 11 at High School (for the full year)	
Or choose one from this column	And one from this column
___ ENGL 101 English Composition	___ ENGL 136 Intro to N.A. Literature ___ ENGL 244, 245, 246, 269, or 270 American Literature ___ ENGL 267 American Multiethnic Literature ___ ENGL 271 Pacific Northwest Literature

English 12: two classes required, consisting of one composition and one literature. ENGL 101 is required for 200 Level ENGL courses.

___ English 12 at High School (for the full year)	
Or choose one from this column	And one from this column
___ ENGL 101 (if not used for Jr. year) or 102 English Composition (requires a C or better in ENGL 101) ___ ENGL 103 Advanced Composition ___ ENGL 105 English Grammar ___ ENGL 108 Writing About Film ___ ENGL 109 Writing About Science (requires a C or better in ENGL 101) ___ ENGL 110 Composition for Literature (requires a C or better in ENGL 101) ___ ENGL 160 Writing for the Web ___ ENGL 235 Technical Writing	___ ENGL 127 Creative Non-Fiction Writing ___ ENGL 131 Intro to Poetry ___ ENGL 132 Intro to Drama ___ ENGL 133 Intro to Fiction ___ ENGL 140 Women in Literature ___ ENGL 141 Film as Literature ___ ENGL 143 Science Fiction and Fantasy ___ ENGL 145 Detective Fiction ___ ENGL 150 Intro to Classical Mythology ___ ENGL 156 Intro to Novel ___ ENGL 175 Intro to LGBTQ Studies ___ ENGL 254, 255, 256, 261, or 262 World Lit. ___ ENGL 264, 265, or 266 British Literature ___ ENGL 272 Intro to Shakespeare

Washington State History: for students that have yet to meet the WSH requirement.

___ HIST 214 Pacific Northwest History (not offered every quarter)
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World Themes: for students that have yet to meet the World Themes requirement.

___ HIST 126, 127, 128 World Civilizations
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United States History: two classes required, one from each section.

___ U.S. History at High School (for the full year)	
Or choose one from this column	And one from this column
___ HIST 146, 147, 148 U.S. History	___ POLS 111 American National Government and Politics ___ SOC 131 Race and Ethnicity in the U.S. ___ HIST 146, 147, or 148 U.S. History ___ HIST 215 Survey of Women in U.S. History ___ HIST 219 Native American History ___ HIST 275 African American History

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Contemporary World Problems (CWP): two classes required, one from each section.
(At least one of the two must be ECON 101, 107, 120, BUS 105, GEOG 107, or POLS 203)

___ CWP at High School (for the full year)	
Or choose one from this column	And one from this column
___ POLS 111 American Government	___ ECON 101 Intro to Economics
___ POLS 131 State and Local Government	___ BUS 105 Intro to International Business
___ WS 201 Women Around the World	___ ECON 110 Intro to the Global Economy
___ POLS 203 International Relations	___ ECON 120 International Economics (pre-req Econ 101)
___ GEOG 207 Economic Geography	___ ECON 201 Micro Economics
___ POLS 220 Geopolitics of the Middle East	___ ECON 202 Macro Economics
	___ POLS 203 International Relations

Math:

Any 100+ math class may count for a 3rd or 4th year of math based on the student's interests and the High School and Beyond Plan. Students are encouraged to talk to their Clark Advisor and choose classes that are appropriate for their Program of Study.

Science:

___ Complete OR	Courses coded: BIOL, CHEM, GEOL, PHYS (100+)
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Fine Arts:

___ Complete OR	Courses coded: ART, DRMA, MUSC, or MUSCA *Additional courses may be accepted with prior approval by your school counselor
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World Language:

___ Complete OR PPR	Spanish, Japanese, or Sign Language
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Physical Education:

___ Complete OR	Courses coded: PE, PEDNC, PEMAR (5+ credits)
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Health:

___ Complete OR	Courses coded: HLT (3+ credits) *Additional courses may be accepted with prior approval by your school counselor
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Career Technical Education (CTE):

___ Complete OR	___ BIOL 140 – Pacific NW Mammals ___ BMED 110 – Medical Terminology ___ BMED 138 – Legal Aspects Med Off ___ BTECH 149 – Comp. App Essentials ___ BTEC 169 – Excel ___ BUS 101 – Intro to Business ___ BUS 105 – International Business ___ CADD 102 – CADD Careers ___ CADD 140 – Basic Autocad ___ CADD 160 – Intro to CAM ___ CGT 101 – Photoshop Graphic ___ CSE 121 – Intro to C ___ CTEC 100 – Intro to Computing	___ CTEC 101 – Computing Essentials ___ CTEC 105 – Intro to Internet ___ CTEC 110 – Command Line Essentials ___ CTEC 122 – HTML Fundamentals ___ CTEC 205 – Intro to MIS ___ CTEC 213 – Comptia A+ ECON101 – Intro to Econ ___ MACH 133 – Vertical Milling ___ MGMT 103 – Applied Management ___ NUTR 103 – General Nutrition ___ PTWR 135 – Intro App Tech Writing ___ PSYC 200 – Lifespan Psychology
	*Additional courses may be accepted with prior approval by your school counselor	

Graduation Pathway:

___ Graduation standard on Smarter Balanced (ELA and math)	___ ACT or SAT score
___ Dual credit	___ ASVAB
___ Bridge to College	___ CTE Sequence
___ C+ in AP, or IB or achieving certain score on AP, IB	