



Pierce College

Common Course

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Courses with "XX": 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.

General Education Requirements Key

More information about graduation requirements at UW Tacoma is available online at tacoma.uw.edu/registrar/graduation-requirements

A&H	Arts and Humanities	A&H courses focus on questions of meaning and value in human life, as well as the effective expression of human experience.
SSc	Social Sciences	SSc courses focus on the experimental study of human behavior both individually and socially.
NSc	Natural Sciences	NSc courses focus on the experimental study of the physical world.
C	English Composition	
W	Writing	
RSN	Reasoning	
DIV	Diversity	

The General Education requirements were renamed in Summer Quarter 2022. More information about the General Education requirements is available at tacoma.uw.edu/catalog/general-education

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ACCT&201 and ACCT& 202 (5, 5)	Prin of Accounting I Prin of Accounting II	ACCTG 215 (5), B A 2XX (5) if both courses taken; otherwise, B A 2XX	T ACCT 210 (50 or T ACCT 220 (5). <u>10 credits of Accounting towards admissions requirement for Business. See Business prerequisite list.</u>	
ACCT& 203 (5)	Prin of Accounting III	ACCTG 225 (5)	T ACCT 2230 (5) <u>5 credits of Accounting towards admissions requirement for Business. See Business prerequisite list.</u>	
ANTH& 100 (5)	Survey of Anthropology	ANTH 100 (5)	T ANTH 101 (5)	SSc
ANTH& 104 (5)	World Prehistory	ARCHY 105 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
ANTH& 106 (5)	American Mosaic	AES 151 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
ANTH& 204 (5)	Archeology	ARCHY 205 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
ANTH& 205 (5)	Biological Anthropology	BIO A 201 (5)	T ANTH 201 (5)	NSc
ANTH& 206 (5)	Cultural Anthropology	ANTH 202 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
ANTH& 210 (5)	Indians of North America	ANTH 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
ANTH& 216 (5)	Northwest Coast Indians	ANTH 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
ANTH& 236 (5)	Forensic Anthropology	BIO A 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
ART& 100 (5)	Art Appreciation	ART H 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ASL& 121 (5)	Am Sign Language I	UW 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
ASL& 122 (5)	Am Sign Language II	UW 1XX	Satisfies UW Tacoma world language requirement. 5 credits received.	
ASL& 123 (5)	Am Sign Language III	UW 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
ASTR& 100 (5)	Survey of Astronomy	ASTR 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
ASTR& 101 (5)	Intro to Astronomy	ASTR 101 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
ASTR& 110 (5)	The Solar System	ASTR 150 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
ASTR& 115 (5)	Stars, Galaxies & Cosmos	ASTR 101 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
BIOL& 100 (5)	Survey of Biology	BIOL 100 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
BIOL& 160 (5)	General Biology w/lab	BIOL 1XX (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
BIOL& 170 (5)	Human Biology	BIOL 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc

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BIOL& 175 (5)	Human Biology w/lab	BIOL 118 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
BIOL& 211, 212, 213 (5, 5, 5)	Majors Ecology/Evolution, Molecular, PHys	BIOL 180, 200, 220 (5, 5, 5) if all three courses taken; otherwise BIOL 2XX	TBIOL 120, 130, 140 (5, 5, 5) if all three courses taken	NSc
BIOL& 241, 242 (6,6)	Human A & P I, II	BIOL 118, 119 (5, 1), NURS (4), BIOL 2XX (2) if both courses taken; otherwise BIOL 2XX	12 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
BIOL& 260 (5)	Microbiology	MICROM 301, 302 (3,2)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
BUS& 101 (5)	Intro to Business	UW 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
BUS& 201 (5)	Business Law	MGMT 200 (5)	TBGEN 218 (5)	SSc
CHEM& 100	Preparatory Chemistry	CHEM 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
CHEM & 110 (5)	Chemical Concepts	CHEM 110 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
CHEM& 121 (5)	Intro to Chemistry	CHEM 120 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
CHEM& 131 (6)	Intro to Organic/Biochem	CHEM 220 (5), 1XX (1)	6 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
CHEM& 139 (5)	General Chemistry Prep	CHEM 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
CHEM& 161 (5)	General Chem w/ lab I	CHEM 142 (5)	TCHEM 142, 152, 162 if all courses in sequence are taken.	NSc [R]
CHEM& 162, 163 (5, 5)	General Chem w/ lab II & III	CHEM 152, 162 (5, 5) if both courses taken; otherwise, CHEM 1XX		NSc
CHEM& 261, 262, 263 (6, 6, 6)	Organic Chem w/ lab I, II, III	CHEM 237, 238, 239, 241, 242 (4,4,4,3,3), 2XX (1) if all courses taken; otherwise see below	TCHEM 251 (6) and 12 transfer credits for a total of 18 credits allowed if all courses taken.	NSc
CHEM& 261, 262 (6, 6)	Organic Chem w/ lab I, II	CHEM 237, 238, 241 (4,4,3), 2XX (1) if both courses taken; otherwise see below	TCHEM 251 (6) and 6 transfer credits for a total of 12 credits allowed if all courses taken.	NSc
CHEM& 261 (6), see also combined entry	Organic Chem w/ lab I	CHEM 237 (4), 2XX (2)	TCHEM 251 (6)	NSc
CHEM & 262 (6), see also combined entry	Organic Chem w/ lab II	CHEM 238 (4), 2XX (2)	6 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
CHEM& 263 (6), see also combined entry	Organic Chem w/ lab III	CHEM 239 (3), 2XX (3)	6 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
CJ& 105 (5)	Corrections in America	UW 1XX (LC)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
CMST& 101 (5)	Introduction to Comm	COM 200 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H, SSc

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CMST& 102 (5)	Intro to Mass Media	COM 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H, SSc
CMST& 220 (5)	Public Speaking	COM 220 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H, SSc
CMST& 230 (5)	Small Group Communication	COM 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H, SSc
CS& 141 (5)	Comp Programming I	CSE 142 (4), 1XX (1)	TCSS 142 (5)	NSc [R]
DRMA& 101 (5)	Intro to Theatre	DRAMA 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ECED& 105 (5)	Intro to Early Childhood Education	ECFS 1XX (LC)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
ECON& 201 (5)	Microeconomics	ECON 200 (5)	TECON 200 (5) <i>or</i> TBECON 220 (5)	SSc [R]
ECON& 202 (5)	Macroeconomics	ECON 201 (5)	TECON 201 (5) <i>or</i> TBECON 221 (5)	SSc [R]
EDUC& 115 (5)	Child Development	ECFS 1XX (LC)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
EDUC& 130 (3)	Guiding Behavior	EDUC 1XX (LC)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
EDUC& 150 (3)	Child, Family, Community	EDUC 1XX (LC)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
EDUC& 202 (5)	Intro to Education	EDUC 2XX (LC)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
EDUC& 203 (3)	Exceptional Child	EDUC 2XX (LC)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
ENGL& 101 (5)	English Composition I	ENGL 131 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	[C]
ENGL& 102 (5)	English Composition II	ENGL 141 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	[C]
ENGL& 111 (5)	Intro to Literature	ENGL 200 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 112 (5)	Intro to Fiction	ENGL 242 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 113 (5)	Intro to Poetry	ENGL 243 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 114 (5)	Intro to Drama	ENGL 244 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 220 (5)	Intro to Shakespeare	ENGL 225 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 226 (5)	British Literature I	ENGL 228 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 227 (5)	British Literature II	ENGL 229 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 228 (5)	British Literature III	ENGL 230 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 235	Technical Writing	ENGR 231 (3), 2XX (2)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	[C]
ENGL& 236 (5)	Creative Writing I	ENGL 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 237 (5)	Creative Writing II	ENGL 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 238 (5)	Creative Writing III	ENGL 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H

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ENGL& 244, 245 (5,5)	American Literature I, II	ENGL 250 (5) for either course, 2XX (5)	5-10 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGL& 246 (5)	American Literature III	ENGL 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
ENGR& 114 (5)	Engineering Graphics	M E 123 (4), 1XX (1)	TME 315 (5)	A&H, NSc
ENGR& 204	Fund of Electrical Engr	E E 215 (4), 1XX (1)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
ENGR& 214 (5)	Statics	A A 210 (4), 2XX (1)	TME 221 (4) [5 credits allowed]	NSc
ENGR& 215 (5)	Dynamics	M E 230 (4), 2XX (1)	TME 223 (4) [5 credits allowed]	NSc
ENGR& 224 (5)	Thermodynamics	A A 260 (4), 2XX (1)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
ENGR& 225 (5)	Mechanics of Materials	CEE 220 (4), 2XX (1)	TME 222 (4) [5 credits allowed]	NSc
ENVS& 100 (5)	Intro to Env Science	ESRM 100 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc, NSc
FRCH& 121 (5)	French I	FRENCH 101 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
FRCH& 122 (5)	French II	FRENCH 102 (5)	Satisfies UW Tacoma world language requirement. 5 credits received.	
FRCH& 123 (5)	French III	FRENCH 103 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
GEOL& 101 (5)	Intro to Physical Geology	ESS 101 (5)	TGEOS 117 (6) [5 credits allowed]	NSc
GEOL& 103 (5)	Historical Geology	ESS 203 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
GEOL& 110 (5)	Environmental Geology	ESS 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
GEOL& 115 (5)	Geology of National Parks	ESS 305 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
GEOL& 120 (5)	Volcanoes	ESS 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
GEOL& 208 (5)	Geology of Pacific NW	ESS 301 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
GERM& 121 (5)	German I	GERMAN 101	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
GERM& 122 (5)	German II	GERMAN 102	Satisfies UW Tacoma world language requirement. 5 credits received.	
GERM& 123 (5)	German III	GERMAN 103	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
HIST& 126 (5)	World Civilizations I	HSTAM 111 (5)	T HIST 111 (5)	SSc
HIST& 127 (5)	World Civilizations II	HSTAM 112 (5)	T HIST 112 (5)	SSc
HIST& 128 (5)	World Civilizations III	HSTEU 113 (5)	T HIST 203 (5)	SSc
HIST& 156, 157, 158 (5, 5, 5)	US History I, US History II, US History III	HSTAA 101 (5), 1XX (10) if all courses taken; otherwise, HSTAA 1XX	5-15 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
HIST& 159 (5)	History of US IV	HSTAA 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
HIST& 214 (5)	Pacific NW History	HSTAA 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
HUM& 101 (5)	Intro to Humanities	UW 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc

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JAPN& 121 (5)	Japanese I	JAPAN 101	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
JAPN& 122 (5)	Japanese II	JAPAN 102	Satisfies UW Tacoma world language requirement. 5 credits received.	
JAPN& 123 (5)	Japanese III	JAPAN 103	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
KREA& 121 (5)	Korean I	KOREAN 1XX (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
KREA& 122 (5)	Korean II	KOREAN 1XX (5)	5 transfer credits received. Meets UW Tacoma foreign language proficiency requirement.	
KREA& 123 (5)	Korean III	KOREAN 1XX (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
MATH& 107 (5)	Math in Society	MATH 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
MATH& 131 (5)	Math for Elem Educ 1	EDUC 170 (5)	TMATH 171 (5)	NSc
MATH& 132 (5)	Math for Elem Educ 2	EDUC 171 (5)	TMATH 171, 172, or 173 (max 5 credits allowed between courses)	NSc
MATH& 141 (5)	Precalculus I	MATH 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
MATH& 142 (5)	Precalculus II	MATH 120 (5)	TMATH 120 (5)	NSc
MATH& 146 (5)	Introduction to Statistics	STAT 220 (5) or QMETH 201 (4), B A 2XX (1)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
MATH& 148 (5)	Business Calculus	MATH 112 (5)	TMATH 122 (5)	NSc [R]
MATH& 151 (5)	Calculus I	MATH 124 (5)	TMATH 124 (5)	NSc [R]
MATH& 152 (5)	Calculus II	MATH 125 (5)	TMATH 125 (5)	NSc [R]
MATH& 163 (5)	Calculus III	MATH 126 (5)	TMATH 126 (5)	NSc
MATH& 264 (5)	Calculus IV	MATH 224 (3), 2XX (2)	TMATH 324 (5)	NSc
MUSC& 105 (5)	Music Appreciation	MUSIC 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
MUSC& 141 (5)	Music Theory I	MUSIC 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
MUSC& 142 (5)	Music Theory II	MUSIC 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
MUSC& 143 (5)	Music Theory III	MUSIC 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
MUSC& 241 (5)	Music Theory IV	MUSIC 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
MUSC& 242 (5)	Music Theory V	MUSIC 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
MUSC& 243 (5)	Music Theory VI	MUSIC 2XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	A&H
NUTR& 101 (5)	Nutrition	NUTR 200 (4), 1XX (1)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
OCEA& 101 (5)	Intro to Oceanography	OCEAN 101	TGEOS 241 (5)	NSc
PHIL& 101 (5)	Intro to Philosophy	PHIL 100 (5)	T PHIL 101 (5)	SSc

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PHIL& 115 (5)	Critical Thinking	PHIL 115 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc, [R]
PHIL& 120 (5)	Symbolic Logic	PHIL 120 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc, NSc [R]
PHYS& 110 (5)	Phys Non-Sci Majors	PHYS 110 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
PHYS& 114 (5)	General Phys I w/ lab	PHYS 114, 117 (4,1)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
PHYS& 115 (5)	General Phys II w/ lab	PHYS 115, 118 (4,1)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
PHYS& 116 (5)	General Phys III w/ lab	PHYS 116, 119 (4,1)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc [R]
PHYS& 221, 222, 223 (6,6,6)	Engr Phys I w/lab, Engr Phys II w/lab, Engr Phys III w/ lab	PHYS 121, 122, 123 (5 each), 2XX (3) if all three courses taken; otherwise, as below	TPHYS 121, 122, 123 (6, 6, 6)	NSc [R]
PHYS& 221 (6)	Engr Phys I w/lab	PHYS 121 (5), 2XX (1)	TPHYS 121 (6)	NSc [R]
PHYS& 222 (6)	Engr Phys II w/lab	PHYS 2XX	6 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	NSc
PHYS& 223 (6)	Engr Phys III w/lab	PHYS 122 (5), 2XX (1)	TPHYS 122 (6)	NSc
POLS& 101 (5)	Intro Political Science	POL S 101 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
POLS& 200 (5)	Introduction to Law	MGMT 200 (5)	TBGEN 218 (5)	SSc
POLS& 202 (5)	American Government	POL S 202 (5)	TPOL S 202 (5)	SSc
POLS& 203 (5)	International Relations	POL S 203 (5)	TPOL S 203 (5)	SSc
PSYC& 100 (5)	General Psychology	PSYCH 101 (5)	TPSYCH 101 (5)	SSc
PSYC& 180 (5)	Human Sexuality	PSYCH 210 (5) or SOC 2XX	TPSYCH 202 (5)	SSc
PSYC& 200 (5)	Lifespan Psychology	PSYCH 2XX	TPSYCH 220 (5) <u>5 credits towards developmental psychology admissions requirement. See Psychology prerequisite list.</u>	SSc
PSYC& 220 (5)	Abnormal Psychology	PSYCH 2XX	TPSYCH 210 (5) <u>5 credits towards abnormal psychology admissions requirement. See Psychology prerequisite list.</u>	SSc
RUSS& 121 (5)	Russian I	RUSS 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
RUSS& 122 (5)	Russian II	RUSS 1XX	Satisfies UW Tacoma world language requirement. 5 credits received.	
RUSS& 123 (5)	Russian III	RUSS 1XX	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	
SOC& 101 (5)	Intro to Sociology	SOC 110 (5)	TSOC 165 (5)	SSc
SOC& 201 (5)	Social Problems	SOC 270 (5)	5 transfer credits received. No direct equivalent.	SSc
SPAN& 121 (5)	Spanish I	SPAN 101 (5)	T SPAN 101 (5)	
SPAN& 122 (5)	Spanish II	SPAN 102 (5)	T SPAN 102 (5); meets UW Tacoma world language requirement.	
SPAN& 123 (5)	Spanish III	SPAN 103 (5)	T SPAN 103 (5)	
SPAN& 221 (5)	Spanish IV	SPAN 201 (5)	T SPAN 201 (5)	A&H