

How to Get There from Here

Northwest Community College offers a comprehensive set of University Credit courses that transfer to universities, university colleges and other colleges in British Columbia.

You can take your first two years of university at Northwest Community College, earn an Associate Degree, and get a great work credential or a start on your university education.

Transfer Credit to Other Institutions and Professional Organizations

You can find a listing of established equivalencies in the BC Transfer Guide available at NWCC Educational Advisor's offices, NWCC library or online at www.bccat.bc.ca. Our Educational Advisors can also assist you with transfer information.

Increase Your Success

Studies have shown that students who transfer from community colleges to university do as well as, or better than, those who proceed directly from high school to university. Students who start at NWCC will realize significant financial advantages when compared to those attending university elsewhere.

How to Apply

Apply online at www.pas.bc.ca or obtain an Application from any Campus or download an Application from our Web site at www.nwcc.bc.ca. Return the completed form and documents to NWCC. You will be notified by mail regarding the status of your application and when and how to register.

All students are encouraged to contact an Educational Advisor before applying to Northwest Community College. Telephone or in person appointments can be arranged by contacting your nearest College campus.

It is important to apply as early as possible as many programs and courses have a limited number of seats. Applicants will be admitted based on the date of their application.

Contact Us

Prince Rupert Campus

Phone: (250) 624.6054

Smithers Campus

Phone: (250) 847.4461

Terrace Campus

Phone: (250) 635.6511

Arts & Science Associate Degrees

University Credit Courses

Start your university degree in your own community at a student-centred College.

Northwest Community College is your community college, offering a comprehensive range of Arts and Science courses and programs that earn Associate Degrees. These courses are also fully transferable to undergraduate degree programs in universities, university-colleges and other colleges in BC. Students intending to acquire an undergraduate degree at a university can complete their first two years of study at NWCC.

First and second year courses are available on a full-time or selected offerings basis at several College campuses.

Core Course Guarantee

Northwest Community College guarantees to offer a core set of first-year courses that allow students to complete the first year of an Associate of Arts Degree in as little as one full academic year at Prince Rupert, Smithers and Terrace campuses.

NWCC also guarantees to offer a core set of second-year courses required to complete a two-year Associate of Arts Degree or Associate of Science Degree in as little as two full academic years at both Prince Rupert and Terrace Campuses, and those required to complete as Associate of Arts Degree in as little as three academic years at Smithers campus (this can be shortened if combined with online courses).



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University Credit Courses

Northwest Community College offers over 150 university credit courses in specialized Arts and Science subject areas including:

- Anthropology
- Art
- Art History
- Asian Studies
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Criminology
- Economics
- English
- English Literature
- Environmental Studies
- Film
- French
- Geography
- Geology
- History
- Journalism
- Mathematics
- Oceanography
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Women's Studies

Associate Degrees in Arts and Science

Northwest Community College offers two-year Associate Degrees in Arts and Sciences. Courses used to complete the Associate Degree requirement can transfer as first or second year course credits to UBC, SFU, UVIC or UNBC.

Associate Degrees can lead to undergraduate degrees in different specializations at other post-secondary institutions depending upon the requirements of that particular institution.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN ARTS

To obtain an Associate Degree in Arts, a student must complete a minimum of 60 credit hours (20 courses). This must include a minimum of 18 credits in Arts at the second year level in two or more subject areas.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN SCIENCE

To obtain an Associate Degree in Science, a student must complete a minimum of 60 credit hours (20 courses). This must include a minimum of 18 credits in Sciences at the second year level in two or more subject areas.

No course can be used to meet more than one specific requirement. Students must achieve an average overall grade of "C" (cumulative GPA of 2.0) calculated on all courses counting toward the associate degree.

Associate Degree in Arts — Criminology Specialization

This specialized Associate Degree program allows students to focus on the area of criminal justice. It has also been designed to facilitate maximum transferability to an undergraduate degree in Criminology at various post-secondary institutions.

See the College Web site for complete Associate Degree program details. Students must apply to the Registrar to obtain an Associate Degree.

Dates and Locations

Classes start in September and January of each year. First year and selected second year courses are available in Terrace, Prince Rupert and Smithers. Some University Credit courses are available at other college campuses.

INTERSESSION AND SUMMER COURSES

Selected University Credit Courses are available in the spring and summer at the Terrace, Prince Rupert and Smithers campuses.

DISTANCE EDUCATION

Selected University Credit courses are available online and by teleconference. Please refer to the College Web site for a complete list of online and teleconference courses.

CONCURRENT STUDIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Concurrent Academic Studies* allows Grade 12 high school students to enrol in NWCC University Credit courses and earn credit toward both their high school diploma and Associate or university degree.

**Concurrent Academic Studies is approved by the British Columbia Ministry of Education. Visit the NWCC Web site for the Concurrent Academic Studies policies or talk to a NWCC Educational Advisor and your high school counsellor.*

Admission Requirements

Although the University Credit program does not have specific prerequisites:

1. Students coming directly from high school are expected to have Grade 12 graduation.
2. Students coming from Career & College Preparation programs may use CCP courses in place of the equivalent high school courses.

Many courses have specific prerequisites that must be met by prospective students. In some cases, instructors will conditionally admit students lacking formal prerequisites. Contact an Educational Advisor at your local NWCC campus to discuss your admission qualifications.

Educational Advising

Before registering, we encourage prospective students to discuss course and program options with an Educational Advisor or instructor. Our Educational Advisors are available to help you define, and work toward, your educational goals. With knowledge of all College programs, as well as programs and courses at other educational institutions, Educational Advisors provide you with up-to-date information on College services, facilities, programs and courses.

Book an appointment at your local campus to discuss your educational plans and course planning for university credit courses.

The NWCC Advantage

LOW TUITION AND COST OF LIVING

Your commitment of time and money goes further at NWCC. Our fees are significantly lower than other colleges and large universities. By studying in the northwest you also benefit from lower costs of living. Take advantage of an affordable education at NWCC.

PERSONAL ATTENTION AND QUALITY INSTRUCTION

First and second year classes at universities can have 200 or more people while small class sizes at NWCC assure you of the personal attention you deserve. Smaller classes in a friendly, supportive atmosphere means you get more attention and access to your instructor.

FLEXIBLE LEARNING

If you haven't defined your career goal, University Credit (UC) courses are a great place to start. You can start in University Credit, then move into a College career program like Social Service Worker or Applied Coastal Ecology that prepare you for direct entry into a profession. You might also choose to earn your two-year Associate Degree then transfer to a University. An Associate Degree is a recognized, valued credential that you can proudly include on your résumé.