

ACCREDITATION EVIDENCE

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No





 PROCEDURE:
 External Transfer Credit Evaluation

 DEFINITION OF PROCEDURE:
 Receive external transcripts & evaluate for equivalent credit; apply appropriate credits to student's academic credits; notify student

 COLLEAGUE SCREENS USED:
 EXTS, EXTR, TEEV, TRER

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS USED: Perspective Content (ImageNow); TES (tes.collegesource.com); UWYO transfer guide

**External Transcripts are uploaded into ImageNow by Admissions

1. Access a Student External Transcript through the College Transcript Workflow in ImageNow



- 2. Locate the Transcript Guide, typically found at the end of the transcript. Check for acceptable accreditation and highlight in pink. <u>**Recognized Regional Accrediting Organizations are as follows:</u>
 - HLC Higher Learning Commission
 - MSA Middle States Association of Colleges & Schools, Commission on Higher Education
 - NWCCU Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities
 - NCA-HLC North Central Association of Colleges & Schools, Higher Learning Commission
 - NCA-CASI North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement, Board of Trustees
 - NEASC-CIHE New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc., Commission on Technical & Career Institutions
 - SACS Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges
 - WASC-ACCJC Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges
 - WASC-ACSCU Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities

(From Accredited Institutions of Postsecondary Education / 2011 / page 957)

****Accreditation** & Academic Calendars can also be accessed through TES if a transcript does not include it.



 Also on the Transcript Guide, locate the academic calendar to determine if credits are listed in Quarter or Semester hours, and the number of weeks in a given term. Highlight in pink.

Northern Wyoming Community College District

Sheridan College/NWCCD-Buffalo / 1 Whittney Way Sheridan, WY 82801 (307) 675-0110 Gillette College 300 W. Sinclair St. Gillette, WY 82718 (307) 681-6000

Accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Nursing and Dental programs carry additional professional accreditations. Certification is available in some technical programs through state and national program accreditation.

Institutional Name History

Sheridan College - 1959 to Present. Gillette College established - 1979 to Present. Northern Wyoming Community College 1952 through 1958. Northeast Agricultural Junior College, a University of Wyoming Center - 1948 through 1951.

Credit Hours

From Sentember 1948 to June 10, 1955, credits were expressed in quarter hours. Starting September 16, 1955 to present, credits are expressed in semester hours. Fall and Spring semesters are 15 weeks in length. Summer session is 6 to 8 weeks in length.

Grading System

In September, 1964, Sheridan College changed its grading system from a Roman Numeral to a Letter Grade and Grade Point system. Both Old and New systems are indicated below:

****NOTE:** If credits are listed in Quarter hours, a recalculation will have to be made to convert to a semester equivalency. (This is done by multiplying the guarter credit by 0.666.)

The quarter to semester credit calculation is:

1 quarter hour = 0.67 semester hour 2 quarter hours = 1.33 semester hours 3 quarter hours = 2.0 semester hours 4 quarter hours = 2.66 semester hours 5 quarter hours = 3.33 semester hours 6 quarter hours = 4.0 semester hours

4. Find Page 1 of the transcript.

- 1. **REDLINE** through any transfer credits that were accepted by the external institution.
- 2. HIGHLIGHT in PINK all acceptable credits
- 3. HIGHLIGHT in YELLOW any courses where acceptable credit was not earned.





5. **Open the Student in EXTS. Select the appropriate School**.

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2	0087428		Metropolitan State College	
3	0110923		Red Rocks Community College	
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Enter the details of the first acceptable course. (See example below). SAVE

Institution : 0087428 Metropo	itan State College		
External Course	SPE 1010	Status	
Start Date	08/15/2006	SPEEDE	
End Date	12/15/2006		
Title	Public Speaking		
Credits	3.00		
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Repeat for the entire transcript, entering all completed courses. Once all courses have been entered, **CANCEL** to return to the previous screen. Click to **SAVE** the external courses just entered.



SHIFT@ to bring up the student.
 Re-Select the External Institution
 Detail in according to the screenshot below.

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2		ENG 1010	No 🗋	A	Undergraduate	3.00	10/SP	05/15/10
3		PSY 1001	No 🗋	C	Undergraduate	3.00	10/SP	05/15/10
4		ANT 1310	No 🗋	В	Undergraduate	3.00	10/FA	12/15/10
5		GEG 1920	No 🗋	C	Undergraduate	3.00	10/FA	12/15/10
6		HIS 1220	No 🗋	В	Undergraduate	3.00	10/FA	12/15/10

Determine what the equivalent course would be.

Refer to TES (*tes.collegesource.com*) **for the External Institution course descriptions and compare with WWCC course descriptions to determine if we offer an Equivalent Course**. (*TES instructions are included at the end of this document*)

DOUBLE-CLICK the **box 1** as indicated below.



Type the WWCC Equivalent course – OK

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It will auto-fill most of the information. Tab over and fill in the missing information.

--Verify that the Transfer Course Credit Value and the Equivalent Course Credit Values match. **If the credit is within 1 credit (greater or less than), it can come in. Adjust the credit accordingly to match what was actually earned.

--Enter TR in the blank Status field

--Enter the appropriate term in the term field to match the Equivalent Date. (ex. 06/FA, 18/SU...)

--SAVE

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The equivalent will say YES once equivalent credit had been entered.

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2 ENG 1010	No 🗅	A	Undergraduate	3.00	10/SP	05/15/10
3 PSY 1001		C	Undergraduate	3.00	10/SP	05/15/10

Repeat until all courses have had the Equivalent Credit entered. BE SURE TO SAVE or SAVE ALL.

**IF WESTERN DOES NOT OFFER AN EQUIVALENT COURSE, THE COURSE IS ENTERED AS AN ELECTIVE.

TO **ENTER ELECTIVES**:

• Detail in to the Equivalent

	Institut	tion : 0087428 Met	ropolitan State College					
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• Click into either of the 1 boxes as indicated above. It will tell you, no equivalency exists for those courses. Click OK.



• Course LookUp – (ENTER); then type A-(ENTER) to add a credit equivalency

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• Fill in the highlighted boxes, tab between each one.



How to Determine if a Course meets the criteria for equivalency:

Comparing External Course description with WWCC course description <u>using TES</u>

- Is the External Institution Accreditation acceptable?
- Make sure the course isn't developmental or upper-division. Check with the transcript key to see their **numbering system**. **Once the B.A.S. goes into effect, this may change for some upper-division courses.
- Was a **passing grade earned**? Grades of "D" or better will transfer in <u>with the exception of freshman</u> English, U.S. Government, college-level math, lab science & First-Year Success. *"D" grades are initially brought in as ELECTIVES. If the degree requires a "C" or better, they remain in Elective Status. If it does not require a "C" or better, a "D" grade can come in with full equivalency.
- Is the **credit value** the same? (Or within 1 credit more/less)
- Are the **prerequisite requirements** the same?
- Are the **course descriptions** relatively similar with key points and topics?
- Is the **lecture / lab time** per week relatively the same?
- *For MATH courses, if there are questions, type MATH in the Data Set Bar. It will pull up all of the MATH courses sequentially. Where does the external course fall in comparison to WWCC courses?
- *For SCIENCE courses that don't have a LAB, they always come in as an elective.
- For Lab Sciences where there is not a WWCC equivalent, the Elective Description should read: <u>BIOLOGY w/lab ELECTIVE</u> (or whichever science department, denoting that there was a completed lab.)



If there is still uncertainty after using TES, you can check the **University of Wyoming Transfer Guide**

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To determine what course to take to satisfy a USP requirement or a specific course at UW, search by the UW subject, UW number or USP Attribute.											
** If there is a value in Transfer Group, you will need to take all courses with that Transfer Group value from the transfer institution to get equivalent UW credit. You may perform a second search using using desired College and the "Transfer Group" field to find all of the required courses.											
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Utah Valley University		MATH	105	COLLEGE ALGEBRA	MATH	1400	COLLEGE ALGEBRA				
Utah Valley University		MATH	1050	College Algebra	MATH	1400	College Algebra		U5Q		
Utah Valley University		MATH	106	Trigonometry	MATH	1405	Trigonometry				

- Enter the **STATE**
- Click CHANGE STATE
- Use the dropdown and find the External Institution
- Type in the **TRANSFER SUBJECT & COURSE NUMBER**
- Click **SEARCH**
- If UW doesn't accept a course in question, rule of thumb is that WWCC doesn't either.

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-Refer to Departments/Instructors/Division Chairs as needed for final decisions if/when a determination cannot be made from the reference sources.

-Students may be required to submit course descriptions and/or syllabi

-Students who have earned **credits through International Institutions Outside of the U.S.** (if transfer credit is requested), must have their transcript evaluated by a certified U.S. transcript evaluation company, such as WES-World Education Services <u>www.wes.org</u>. Once evaluated, refer to/consult with Division Chairs/Department Faculty for final determination. **<u>Typically very few International credits actually end up coming in.</u>

-U.S. Government classes & U.S. History classes that did not include the required Wyoming History & Government component come in with <u>Elective Status</u>. Once POLS 1100 – Wyoming History is taken and passed with a "C" or better, the POLS 1000, HIST 1211 & HIST 1221 can come in with full course equivalency. Ashley Barnes makes that change on the student's Degree Audit. An Exception Request is <u>not</u> required.

-Computer Courses that are older than FIVE (5) years do not come in

-Anatomy & Physiology – An Anatomy course alone will only come in with Elective Status because it is missing the Physiology component. The same with Physiology alone without having taken Anatomy. Once a stand-alone sophomore-level Anatomy course with lab and a stand-alone sophomore-level Physiology course with lab are taken and passed with a "C" or better, they come in as BIOL 2010 A&P I & BIOL 2011.

-Once a transcript is evaluated, use the TEXT feature in ImageNow and notate in RED EVALUATED (DATE) & initial at the top of the transcript.

