How Do I Feel About My College Courses?

I feel ready.

• I have the reading, writing, computer, and math skills to do well.
• I have the self-discipline to get everything done on time.
• I have the family support to ask for help when I need it.

I regularly check in with my teachers and advisors about my progress.

I have a better idea of what the courses I need to take next semester and the courses to avoid.

The Traditional Process to Become a College Student

Admission: The student applies to attend college.

Placement Testing: Students take an exam that determines what courses they are eligible to take.

Prerequisites: A course that must be successfully completed before a student is eligible to enroll in the next course in a sequence (Ex. English 101 is a prerequisite for English 102).

Financial Aid: Students apply for monetary help to attend college. Scholarships and Grants (awards students don’t have to pay back) and Loans (students pay back with interest) are the most common financial aid students receive.

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College Enrollment Process For High School Students

In partnership with your local school district, high school and BOCES, Western Wyoming Community College is able to provide you the opportunity to take college courses in one or more of the following formats:

• Concurrent Courses - college courses are taught in your high school

• Dual Courses - you take courses directly from Western on campus or online

All partners pledge their student support services to help ensure your success.
Steps to Enroll in Western Wyoming Community College Courses while in High School.
Paw Prints: Steps within the High School
Hoof Prints: Steps with WWCC

Step 1: Am I ready for college?
We suggest you read Why College Now. (available from your college counselor)
We then suggest you consult with:
Your Parents
Your Counselor
Subject Area Teacher
Make sure you get honest advice!

Step 2: When you have support from your parents and teachers, contact your high school counselor. Your Check List for success:
- Am I ready? Does taking college courses early help me start my career?
- Will the courses help towards my graduation?
- Will the courses I selected transfer where I plan to attend college?
- Which type of college courses best suit me? Dual or Concurrent courses?

Step 3: Have I met college requirements?
Your high school counselor can help you with this step but realize that you are meeting college requirements with this step.
- Do I have the required academic skills according to ACT or COMPASS scores?
- Have I completed the prerequisites?

Step 4: Begin the paper work
- Read and fill out forms completely.
- Ask if you need an age waiver form.
- If you become a full time student by taking 12 or more credit hours - you will be required to attend a special orientation program for high school students.

Concurrent Courses Taught at your High School
- You will receive your Registration Forms in class.
- Return all forms properly signed to your teacher.
- You will receive your textbooks and other materials from your teacher.
- Your School may require you to attend an orientation session. Be sure you attend to ensure that you understand procedures you will have to follow as a high school college student.

Dual Courses Taught at WWCC or Online
- Pick up your Registration form from your high school counselor or at a local WWCC location.
- Return all properly signed forms to the place you picked up your forms.
- Keep your registration forms. Note course beginning and ending dates.
- Attend the required college orientation class for high school students.
- Coordinate with your high school to obtain your textbooks.

Welcome To College!!!
Important stuff to remember:
- You are creating a college transcript
- Do your best
- You have to operate on two different schedules – High School and College
- Pay attention to both
- Class attendance is critical in college
- Be there - On time - Prepared
- It is expected that for every hour you spend in a college course, you complete two hours of homework.
- College deadlines are more rigid than in high school – do assignments on time.

College Student Classifications
- Full Time - Enrolled in 12+ Credit Hours
- Part-time - Enrolled in 11 or Fewer Credit Hours.
- Concurrent - High School Student enrolled in WWCC Courses taught at the high school.
- Dual - High School Student enrolled in WWCC Courses receiving credit in both schools.
- Jump Start - High School Students take college courses directly from the college at their own expense. The student will only receive college credit.
- Online/Distance – Student who takes courses exclusively on the Internet.

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WWCC College Degrees
- Certificates - an award certifying the completion of course work in a skill field. One and two year certificates are available.
- Associate of Arts/Science/Applied Science/Fine Art/Nursing Degrees - Two year degrees within certain academic areas, awarded to students who plan to transfer to four year institutions, professional schools, or to enter the workforce as a skilled professional.

ACT Exam: A scheduled test that measures a student’s college readiness in English, mathematics, reading and science reasoning. The ACT is scored on a scale of 1 to 36 for each of the four areas. The four subject area scores are averaged to create a Composite Score. Scores needed to enroll in college level courses:
- ENGL 1010 - ACT 21
- MATH 1000 - ACT 21
- MATH 1400 - ACT 23

COMPASS Test: A placement test WWCC uses in conjunction with the ACT Exam to ensure students are ready for college level courses. This test is frequently given at the College. Call 382-1660 to schedule the COMPASS.
- English 1010 - COMPASS 75 + English
- Math 1000 - COMPASS 40 + Algebra
- Math 1400 - COMPASS 66 + Algebra

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