WSAC Updates

ICRC Meeting

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We advance educational opportunities and attainment in Washington State.

- Policy and research
- Savings and financial aid programs
- Access and support programs
- Consumer protection
Ensure our residents can compete for the best jobs in Washington.

**Washington’s educational attainment goals for 2023.**

1. **100% of adults* will have a high school diploma or equivalent.**
   - 2015 rate: 90%
   - 2013 baseline: 89%

2. **At least 70% of adults* will have a postsecondary credential.**
   - 2015 rate: 51%
   - 2013 baseline: 50%

*Adults in Washington aged 25-44.
WSAC’s primary duties

**Policy & Research**
- Attainment goals
- System & workforce needs
- Student transition policies

**Access & Support Programs**
- Ready, Set, Grad
- GEAR UP
- 12th Year Campaign
- washboard.org

**Savings & Financial Aid Programs**
- Guaranteed Education Tuition (GET)
- State aid admin.
- Workforce shortage loan programs

**Consumer Protection**
- Degree authorization
- Approval of Veteran’s benefits
- Complaint resolution
- Program compliance
RCW 28B.77.210: “The council shall adopt statewide transfer and articulation policies that ensure efficient transfer of credits and courses across public two and four-year institutions of higher education”
### 2017 legislation

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<td>State-funded associate workforce degrees for incarcerated adults</td>
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<td>H.S. students who don’t meet English or math state standards can meet through dual credit</td>
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<td>Resident tuition for students using transferred GI Bill from active duty and dependents whose parent/spouse died in line of duty</td>
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<td>No deadline for veteran using GI Bill</td>
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<td>Financial education workshop required for all incoming students (17/18)</td>
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Business DTA/MRP review and update

• Ready Fall 2017
• 5 credits non-business electives → 5 credits general electives
• Next review: Summer 2022

Upcoming MRP reviews:

• Computer Science
• Nursing
• Pre-Nursing

Eliminated Technology DTA/MRP
Transfer Updates

Resource Updates

- ICRC handbook
- Transfer brochure
- Process for updating agreements

2019 Transfer Report

- Focus on comparing transfer student outcomes to direct entry student outcomes
- Definition of transfer?
Agreements on WSAC website are most accurate: wsac.wa.gov/transfers

DTA – provisos will be updated more regularly

Goal – post all senders/receivers online
Washington Student Achievement Council

Transfer liaison

WSAC is the main point of contact for students with transfer challenges.

- Student goes through school’s appeal process
- If not resolved, contacts WSAC
- WSAC contacts school to resolve
- If necessary, student submits formal complaint
ACPL workshop – Fri, Oct 20, WGU - Kent
Email Noreen Light: noreenl@wsac.wa.gov

Updated handbook at
wsac.wa.gov/assessments-prior-learning

Academic credit for prior learning
Running Start and College in the High School

Send ideas for Running Start and College in the High School FAQs

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Updated College in the High School WAC official in November

Undergoing College in the High School state review process
Pave the Way
Advancing Equity, Expanding Opportunity, Increasing Attainment

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