**Transfer Guide**

**WCJC & UHD**

**Bachelor of Science in Professional Writing**

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### Common Core Curriculum

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- **Written Communication (6 hours) 010**
  - ENGL 1301 Composition I
  - ENGL 1302 Composition II

- **Oral Communication (3 hours) 011**
  - SPCH 1315 Public Speaking

- **Mathematics (3 hours) 020**
  - MATH 1314 College Algebra, or
  - any math class which has college algebra as a prerequisite.

- **Natural Science (8 hours) 030**
  - *Two lecture/laboratory courses from:*
    - BIOL, CHEM, GEOL, or PHYS
  - *(Note: Lecture must include lab hours or have a co-requisite of 1-2 hours labs)*
  - Any course taken to complete this core component not listed above will satisfy the requirement at UHD.
  - *For a complete list of all fully transferable WCJC Natural Science core courses and options check the 2012-2013 Catalog.*

- **Humanities (3 hours) 040**
  - *For a complete list of all fully transferable WCJC Humanities core course options check the 2012-2013 Catalog.*
  - *(NOTE: Students should consider taking a sophomore literature class to meet future prerequisites.)*

- **Visual and Performing Arts (3 hours) 050**
  - *Select 3 hours from one of the following:*
    - ARTS, DANCE, DRAM or MUSI

- **American History (6 hours) 060**
  - HIST 1301 U.S. History I
  - HIST 1302 U.S. History II

- **Government (6 hours) 070**
  - GOVT 2301 American, National and State Government: Constitutions, Federalism and Participation
  - GOVT 2302 American, National and State Government: Institutions, Rights and Public Policies

- **Social/Behavioral Science (3 hours) 080**
  - *Select one of the following:*
    - ANTH 2351 Cultural Anthropology
    - GEOG 1303 World Geography

**UHD**

- **Communications (9 hours) 010**
  - ENG 1301 Composition I
  - ENG 1302 Composition II

- **Oral Communication (3 hours) 011**
  - COMM 1306 Beginning Public Speaking

- **Mathematics (3 hours) 020**
  - MATH 1301 College Algebra, or
  - any math class which has college algebra as a prerequisite.

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PSYC 2301 Introduction to General Psychology
SOC 1301 Introduction to Sociology

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for a complete list of all the Social and Behavioral Science core courses options check the WCJC 2012-2013 catalog.

Kinesiology (1 hour) 090
Check the WCJC 2012-2013 catalog for a complete list of all kinesiology course options.

Computer Literacy (3-4 hours)
Select one of the following:
BCIS 1305 Business Computer Applications
COSC 1436 Programming Fundamentals I

Total 42 hours

A transfer student who has successfully completed all of the common core requirements at WCJC or another institution of higher education will satisfy all the UHD common core requirements. If not all of the common core requirements have been completed prior to the transfer, each core course transferred will be credited and will satisfy the corresponding common core requirements at UHD. Remaining UHD common core requirements must be satisfied. All prerequisites for UHD courses must be met.

Preparatory Requirements (9 hours)
Philosophy (3 hours Ethics)
Upper-level elective (3 hours)
Lower- or upper-level elective (3 hours)

Upper-Level Requirements at UHD (45 hours)

Professional Writing Core (18 hours)
ENG 3302 Business & Technical Report Writing
ENG 3316 History of Rhetoric or
ENG 3317 Studies in the Theory of Rhetoric or
ENG 3349 The Rhetoric of Technology
ENG 3330 Desktop Publishing
ENG 3331 Advanced Desktop Publishing (S course) or
ENG 3335 Publishing for the Web (S course)
ENG 4322 Editing, Rewriting & Copyreading (prerequisite: ENG 3318)
ENG 4380 Field Experience
ENG 4099 Professional Writing Portfolio (Graduation portfolio in last term)

Other Requirements (27 hours)
Select 7 - 9 writing or publishing courses (21 - 27 hours)
from
ENG 3304 Advanced Business & Technical Report Writing
ENG 3308 Legal Writing
ENG 3318 Studies in English Grammar
ENG 3325 Medical Writing
ENG 3326 Proposal Writing
ENG 3327 Visual Rhetoric & Literacy
ENG 3328 Documentation and Manuals I
ENG 3329 Environmental Writing
ENG 3331 Advanced Desktop Publishing
ENG 3335 Publishing for the Web
ENG 3333 Writing for the Media
ENG 3334 Writing for Presentation
ENG 3336 Writing for the Web
ENG 3338 Introduction to Usability
ENG 3339 Digital Media Theory
ENG 3342 Organizational Publications
ENG 3345 Workshop in Creative Nonfiction
ENG 3349 Rhetoric of Technology
ENG 3371 Public Relations Writing
ENG 3373 Introduction to Advertising
ENG 4306 Science Writing
ENG 4323 Feature Writing for Business & Industry
ENG 4340 Social Media Writing
ENG 4360 Publications Workshop

Select 0 - 2 language and writing courses (0 - 6 hours) from
ENG 3305 Essay Writing
ENG 3309 Creative Writing
ENG 3316 History of Rhetoric
ENG 3317 Studies in the Theory of Rhetoric
ENG 3319 Introduction to the Study of Languages
ENG 3320 History of the English Language
ENG 3343 Workshop in Fiction
ENG 4309 Advanced Creative Writing
ENG 4318 Advanced Studies in English Grammar and Style
ENG 4680 Field Experience in English (4680 covers core requirement for 4380)
May not take ENG 4380 Field Experience in English and ENG 4680 Field Experience in English

Electives (24 hours)
Lower- or upper-level electives. Electives are an important part of the degree program and should be selected in consultation with an academic advisor. A 24-hour block of electives may allow you to obtain a minor outside of Professional Writing.

Total (120 hours required)

At least 25% of the semester credit hours must be earned through instruction offered by UHD. The last 30 of the total hours and 18 of the upper-level hours toward the degree must be successfully completed in residence at UHD. An overall minimum grade point average of 2.0 at UHD is required for graduation, and a minimum average of 2.0 must be maintained in the upper-level requirements.

Courses taken at WCJC do not transfer as Upper-Level credits.

Check with your advisor about how requirements from the Associate of Arts and Associate of Science may be applied and whether requirements from the Associate of Applied Science may be applied.

For a complete statement of Academic Requirements of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences visit the CHSS Academic Advising Center located in room 1001 South, call 713-221-8460, or visit the web site at http://www.uhd.edu/academic/colleges/humanities/college/academic_programs.htm

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