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# **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

The College of Western Idaho (CWI) provides the following educational services:

- Academic Transfer offers programs that are oriented toward transfer to four-year schools.
- Career and Technical Education offers programs that are designed to prepare students for the workforce.
- Adult Education offers developmental courses for those needing to improve their academic skills.
- Dual Credit and Technical Dual Credit offers courses for high school students
- Workforce Development offers short-term training for skills development.

### **Academic Transfer**

Academic Transfer at CWI prepares students to earn an associate degree or certificate and then, if they so choose, to transfer their credits to a baccalaureate institution. Academic Transfer programs are comprised of instruction in liberal arts and sciences to develop knowledge and skill in communication, humanities, mathematics, science, and social science. Degrees and certificates offered in Academic Transfer include the Associate of Arts degree (AA), Associate of Science degree (AS), and Academic Certificate (AC).

### **Career and Technical Education**

Career and Technical Education at CWI prepares students to earn an associate degree or certificate and provides training for a variety of occupations in CWI's service area that require less than a four# year degree. Degrees and certificates offered in Career and Technical Education include the Associate of Applied Science degree (AAS), Advanced Technical Certificate (ATC), Intermediate Technical Certificate (ITC), Basic Technical Certificate (BTC), and Specialized Certificate (SC). Credits earned in these degrees and certificates may be transferable to a baccalaureate institution. CWI continually assesses the needs of its service region to ensure programs meet the training needs and skill requirements in demand.

# **Adult Education**

The Adult Education program is designed to improve the educational level of adults, out-of-school youth ages 16 and older, and non-English speakers in our ten-county service area.

The Adult Education program provides in-person and online educational services at locations across southwest Idaho. Services include instruction in basic skills including reading, writing, and math, as well as GED preparation, English as a second language (ESL), and integrated education and training programs. Eligible students include adults over 16 years of age not currently enrolled in secondary school who are seeking to prepare for life, work, or post-secondary education with skill levels below the college level, and those who have the ability to benefit from the instruction.

Mission Statement—We are a free program dedicated to providing opportunities for adults to learn the basic academic and English language skills they need to meet their goals in the workplace and the community.

For more information about Adult Education, please call 208.562.2572 (Boise) or 208.562.2068 (Nampa).

### **Dual Credit**

CWI recognizes the nationwide movement toward providing high school students the opportunity to earn college credit toward an undergraduate degree prior to high school graduation. CWI accepts high school students as one of its important constituent groups and considers Dual Credit programs to be a major part of its off-campus educational effort.

The Dual Credit program allows high school students to enroll in college classes for credit prior to high school graduation. College credits earned through Dual Credit may apply toward high school and college graduation. CWI provides high school students with the opportunity to earn college credit in qualified classes taken at the high school campus or on the CWI campuses and online. Through this program, Dual Credit students can accumulate college credits prior to entering college.

Credits earned through the Dual Credit program can be transferred to other Idaho colleges and universities. Colleges and universities outside the state of Idaho and private institutions within the state are not bound by the same credit transfer policy; therefore, it is the student's responsibility to check other institution's transfer policies before registering for dual credit coursework. Consult our <a href="Strong Start Guide">Strong Start Guide</a> for more information about transfer and other FAQs about Dual Credit

Dual credit courses help high school students transition from high school to college more seamlessly. Students learn what it takes to be successful with college-level course work while still in their familiar high school surroundings. They also experience college advising and a closer connection with college representatives. When a student matriculates into a college system, they will have already acquired the confidence to be successful. In addition, dual credit courses enable high schools to offer students more options than are available in a regular high school curriculum. Dual Credit students also pay a reduced per-credit rate for dual credit course tuition, resulting in significant college tuition savings.

For more information, please speak with a high school counselor, visit the <u>Dual Credit</u> web page, or contact:

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## **Technical Dual Credit**

Technical Dual Credit (TDC) allows current high school students to earn college and high school credit in certain career-technical fields. Students learn technical skills that can lead to better-paying jobs, provide a head start toward a college degree, and open the door to exciting career opportunities.

Credits earned through the TDC program may transfer to other colleges and universities. Colleges and universities within and outside of the State of Idaho are not bound by the same credit transfer policy; therefore, it is the student's responsibility to check institutional transfer policies before registering for Technical Dual Credit coursework.

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For more information about earning college credit through Technical Dual Credit, ask your high school counselor or careertechnical teacher, or contact a CWI Transition Coordinator.

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## **Workforce Development**

Boost your knowledge, boost your potential. Workforce Development (WD) offers you the opportunity to quickly gain the skills needed to **obtain** employment and apprenticeship training, **retain** skills for new opportunities, and **advance** your career.

Take as many classes as you want in our short-term, credit-free offerings with no applications, no transcripts, and no hassle. Just sign up and watch your career take off.

Classes are held at a variety of locations throughout southwest Idaho and are taught by knowledgeable professionals with years of experience in their respective fields.

### **Healthcare and Emergency Services**

- · Allied Health Professions
- · Assistance with Medications
- · Dietary Manager
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
- · Medical Coding and Billing
- · Nursing Assistant (CNA)
- · Pharmacy Technician
- Phlebotomy

#### **Trades, Manufacturing, and Construction**

- CET Exam Prep
- · Computer Drafting
- · Construction Site Erosion
- · Electrical Apprenticeship and Upgrade
- Flagging for Traffic Control
- HVAC Apprenticeship and Upgrade
- · Plumbing Apprenticeship and Upgrade
- Programmable Logic Controller (PLC)
- Robotics
- Welding

#### **Technology and Business Solutions**

- · Amazon Web Services (AWS)
- · Business and Finance
- · Computer Literacy and Keyboarding
- · Leadership, Management, and Supervision
- · Microsoft Office Series
- · QuickBooks Pro

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