RUNNING START

HIGHLINE SCHOOL DISTRICT RUNNING START EQUIVALENCY GUIDE

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HIGHLINE COLLEGE

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High School Graduation Requirement	**Highline College Equivalency**
Language Arts	Any **English (ENGL&/ENGL)** or **Communication Studies (CMST&/CMST)** 100 level and above; **Ethnic & Gender Studies (EGS)** 100, 136, 137, 142, 143, 150, 155, 172, 210, 217; **Film Studies (FS)** 107, 112; **Journalism (JRNL)** 101, 201, 202, 203; **Political Science (POLS)** 217
Mathematics	Any **MATH (MATH/MATH&)** course 100 level and above; **Philosophy (PHIL&)** 120; **Business (BUS)** 210; **Hospitality & Tourism Mgmt (HOST)** 210
Social Studies Pacific Northwest History	**History (HIST&)** 214
Contemporary Global Issues	**Any Diversity & Global Studies, Economics, Geography, Legal or Sociology course 100 level and above;** **Criminal Justice (CJ)** 200; **EGS/POLS** 217; **Ethnic & Gender Studies (EGS)** 150, 217; **History (HIST)** 103, 273; **Hospitality & Tourism Mgmt (HOST)** 102, 175; **Political Science (POLS&/POLS)** &203, &204, 217
U.S. History	**Diversity and Global Studies (DGS)** 168; **Ethnic and Gender Studies (EGS)** 137, 142, 150; **History (HIST&/HIST)** 115, &148; **LEGAL** 168
Civics	**Diversity and Global Studies (DGS)** 162; **LEGAL** 162; **Political Science (POLS&/POLS)** 115, &201, &202, 275
Other Social Studies	Any **Anthropology, Diversity & Global Studies, Economics, Ethnic & Gender Studies (except EGS 205), Geography, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology** course 100 level and above; **Hospitality & Tourism Mgmt (HOST)** 102, 175
Fine Arts	Any **Art (ART&/ART)** or **Music (MUSC&/MUSC)** 100 level and above.
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Health	**PE 100** plus evidence of a current CPR card **OR PE 100** plus **PE 160**; **Nutrition (NUTR&)** 101; **Biology (BIOL&)** 241, 242
Physical Education	Any **PE 100** level and above that is an activity class* ***Caution: Most college level PE courses equal .2 high school credits.***
Lab Science	**Astronomy ASTR&** 101; **Biology (BIOL&/BIOL)** &100, 101, 103, 110, 119, 125, &160, &175, &211, &212, &213, &241, &242, &260; **Chemistry (CHEM&)** 110, 121, 131, 161, 162, 163, 261, 262, 263; **Engineering (ENGR&)** 104, 204, 214, 215, 225; **Environmental Science (ENVS&/ENVS)** &101, 102; **Geology (GEO)** 100, 101, 103, 111, 130, 210, 220; **Oceanology (OCEA&)** 101; **Physics (PHYS&/PHYS)** &110, 201, 202, 203
Non Lab Science ***Lab science courses also accepted.***	**Astronomy (ASTR&/ASTR)** &100, 102; **Biology (BIOL)** 116, 121, 123; **Engineering (ENGR&)** 104, 204, 214, 225; **Environmental Science** ENVS 103; **Geology (GEO)** 104, 105, 107, 108, 112, 151, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158
World Language	Any World Language 100 level and above.
Occupational Education/CTE	Any course, 100 level and above in: **Accounting, Business, Business Technology, Computer Information Systems, Computer Science, Criminal Justice, Drafting, Early Childhood Education, Education, Engineering, Healthcare Professions, Homeland Security Emergency Management, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Human Services, Interior Design, Library Technician, Multimedia Design, Nursing Assistant, Paralegal/Legal Studies, Visual Communications** **Career Studies (CARER)** 110

PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY GUIDANE GIVEN TO STUDENTS BASED ON PRIOR EQUIVALENCY GUIDES WILL BE HONORED THROUGH SPRING QUARTER 2026.

- 5 college credit equals 1.0 high school credit (The # of high school credits = the # of community college credits multiplied by .2)
- **Running Start only funds classes at the 100 level and above.**
- Credits will be awarded for any grade D (.7) or higher.

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