

High School 21+ (HS21+) allows students to earn high school credit by completing coursework in our Transitional Studies division. Graduates earn an actual diploma rather than a GED (General Educational Development) or another certificate. HS21+ also gives students credit for things they already know. Students who provide documentation of career training, college-level coursework or other competencies can have that experience evaluated for credit toward their diploma. Completion of HS21+ classes also prepares students to transition to college studies.

Before You Start

- Complete a Transitional Studies [application](#).
- Transitional Studies staff will contact you to register for orientation week and request a copy of your last high school transcript.
- During the orientation week you will [activate your ctcLink ID](#) and will be enrolled in classes

In Your First Quarter

- Connect with a navigator through the [Welcome Center](#).
- Learn to navigate [CANVAS](#), [Microsoft 365](#), [Zoom](#), and [Email](#). Find the [Center for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Community](#); [the Food Pantry](#); [Benefits Hub](#); and [Undocumented Student Support](#) on the [southseattle.edu](#) website.
- Pay \$25 tuition in the [Cashier's Office](#) or request a waiver from the [Transitional Studies office](#).

Every Quarter

- Utilize the [SSC Library](#), [Tutoring Center](#), and the computer lab in LIB 1st Floor.

In Your Quarter BEFORE Your Final Quarter

- Explore [I-BEST options](#).
- Explore the [Areas of Study](#).
- Meet with an [advisor](#) to make an educational plan.
- Apply for [Financial Aid](#) and [Foundation Scholarships](#).
- Schedule an [Enrollment Coaching Appointment](#).

In Your Final Quarter

- Do the tasks from the Every Quarter list.
- Schedule an [Enrollment Coaching Appointment](#).
- Take the [English Directed Self Placement](#).
- Confirm [Financial Aid](#) and [Foundation Scholarships](#).
- Meet with an [advisor](#) to make an educational plan.

Contact Information

- [Transitional Studies Office](#), located in Cascade Hall 311
- If you have questions, please call (206) 934-5363 or email southbts@seattlecolleges.edu

Sample Schedule

Students' original graduation year will determine how many credits are needed. Students decide how many classes they take each quarter, but it generally takes one to five quarters to complete the HS21+ program and earn a diploma. The sample schedule shown would assume a student needs all of their credits and is able to take three classes each quarter. Each schedule will be individualized based on student needs.

Quarter One

- Language Arts
- Pre-Algebra
- Civics/Contemporary World Problems

Quarter Two

- US History/WA State History
- Fine Arts
- Algebra/Geometry

Quarter Three

- Algebra II
- Physical Education
- Foreign Language (*graduation year 2019 and beyond if needed*)

Quarter Four

- Pathways
- Science
- Health

Quarter Five

- Fine Arts (second credit)