WSU’s Acronym Guide

General
- b/c = because
- c// = taken concurrently
- re: = regarding
- rec’ed = received
- w/ = with

Admissions & New Students
- AA = Associate of Arts
- AAOT = Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer
- AAST = Associate of Applied Science Transfer
- ALEKS = Math Placement exam
- AP = Advanced Placement
- AST = Associate of Science Transfer
- CLEP = College Level Examination Program
- DTA = Direct Transfer Agreement
- FSR = Former Student Returning
- IB = International Baccalaureate
- IELTS = International English Language Testing System
- IGETC = Intersegment General Education Transfer Curriculum (California CC’s LD course work to satisfy GERs)
- IPED = Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System
- Post Bacc = Post Baccalaureate
- RS = Running Start
- TCR = Transfer Credit Report
- TOEFL = Test Of English as a Foreign Language
- VET = Veteran

General WSU
- COA = Cost of Attendance
- EFC = Expected Family Contribution
- FAFSA = Free Application for Federal Student Aid
- FERPA = Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act
- FL = Foreign Language
- LD = Lower Division
- LGBTQ = Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender and Queer
- UD = Upper Division

Advising & Academics
- AR = Advisement Report
- COC = Change of Campus
- COM = Change of Major (used?)
- CUM GPA = Cumulative Grade Point Average
- DAR = Degree Audit Report
- GER = General Education Requirement
- GLR = Global Learning Requirement (Business degree)
- GPA = Grade Point Average
- SAP = Satisfactory Academic Progress
• UCORE = University Common Requirements
• WP = Junior Writing Portfolio

Types of Degrees
• BA = Bachelor of Arts
• BS = Bachelor of Science
• EdD = Doctor of Education
• EdM = Master of Education
• DNP = Doctor of Nursing Practice
• MA = Master of Arts
• MBA = Master of Business Administration
• MIT = Master in Teaching
• MPA = Master of Public Affairs
• MS = Master of Science
• MSN = Master of Science in Nursing
• PHD = Doctor of Philosophy

WSU Degrees that have or use acronyms
• CS = Computer Science
• DTC = Digital Technology & Culture
• ECE or EE = Electrical Engineering
• EES – Earth and Environmental Science
• HBM – Hospitality and Business Management
• HD – Human Development
• MECH or ME = Mechanical Engineering
• POLS – Political Science
• PUBA – Public Affairs

Major Options or Minors that use acronyms
• CRMJ – Criminal Justice
• MgtOp – Management and Operations
• MIS – Management Information Systems
• PPHR – Personnel Psychology and Human Resources

GERs
• [D] = American Diversity
• [H,G] = Arts & Humanities
• [I,G,K] = Intercultural Studies
• [N] = Mathematics Proficiency
• [S,K] = Social Sciences
• [W][C] = Written & Communication Proficiency

UCORE
• [ARTS] = Creative & Professional Arts
• [BSCI] = Biological Sciences
• [CAPS] = Integrative Capstone
• [COMM] = Communication
• [DIVR] = Diversity
• [HUM] = Humanities
• [PSCI] = Physical Sciences
• [QUAN] = Quantitative Reasoning
• [ROOTS] = Roots of Contemporary Issues
• [SSCI] = Social Sciences
• [WRTG] = Written Communication

**Acronyms for Other Colleges & Universities common to WSU Vancouver**
• UW = University of Washington
• EWU = Eastern Washington University
• WWU = Western Washington University
• PSU = Portland State University
• OSU = Oregon State University
• U of O = University of Oregon
• GHC = Grays Harbor College
• HCC = Highline Community College
• LCC = Lower Columbia College
• MHCC = Mount Hood Community College
• PCC = Portland Community College
• CC = Community College

**Colleges, Departments & Programs**
• CAHNRS = College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Resource Sciences
• CASAC = College of Arts & Sciences Advising Center
• QSC = Quantitative Skills Center
• ROAR = New Student Orientation
• SRC = Student Resource Center