

## Regional Travel for Western Faculty & Staff

Using the Skagit Transit “County Connector” express to Mount Vernon and Sound Transit “Everett Express”, it is possible to use various local transit agencies to travel to and from Bellingham, which includes connections to:

- Mt. Vernon, Oak Harbor, and greater Whidbey Island
- Everett, Lynnwood, and locations in Eastern Snohomish County
- Seattle, Shoreline, and Bellevue
- Tacoma, Lakewood, and greater Pierce County
- Bremerton and the greater Kitsap Peninsula

Weekday **southbound** travel to downtown Seattle along I-5:

<b>Depart</b>	<b>Arrive</b>	<b>Route</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Bellingham Station @ 6:40 AM	Skagit Station (Mt. Vernon) @ 7:22 AM	80X Mt. Vernon	\$2.00 or Bus Pass
Skagit Station @ 7:30 AM	Everett Station @ 8:15 AM	90X Everett	\$2.00
Everett Station @ 8:30 AM	5th and Pike (Seattle) @ 9:22 AM	510 Seattle	Ask for transfer for other connections

Weekday **northbound** (same day return) travel along I-5:

<b>Depart</b>	<b>Arrive</b>	<b>Route</b>	<b>Cost</b>
4th and Union @ 3:11 PM or 4:06 PM	Everett Station @ 3:57 PM or 4:51 PM	510 Everett	\$2.50
Everett Station @ 4:10 PM or 5:10 PM	Skagit Station @ 4:55 PM or 5:55 PM	90X Mt. Vernon	\$2.00
Skagit Station @ 5:15 PM or 6:10 PM	Bellingham Station @ 5:55 PM or 6:55 PM	80X Bellingham	\$2.00 or WTA Bus Pass

- Using the same basic table, variations can be made to serve other areas:
  - University of Washington: follow schedule to Seattle but exit/board bus at 45<sup>th</sup> Street & I-5
    - UW is a 15 minute walk or transfer to Metro Route 44 (Montlake) at 45<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Ave NE.
  - Oak Harbor: from Skagit Station take Route 411W Whidbey at 6:10 PM
    - Return 6:40 AM from Harbor Station in Oak Harbor on Route 411W Mt. Vernon
  - Lynnwood: from Everett take Route 202 Lynnwood at 7:01 PM
    - Return 5:54 AM from Lynnwood Transit Center on Route 201 Smokey Point
  - Shoreline: follow schedule to Seattle but exit/board bus at NE 145<sup>th</sup> Street & I-5

Important information for those traveling by local transit agencies:

- If you are not sure about a route or schedule, always ask a driver
- Always check online schedules at transit agency websites to get the most current schedule information and do not hesitate to tell the driver you are making a timed connection
- The agencies which provide the routes listed above are WTA ([www.ridewta.com](http://www.ridewta.com)), SKAT ([www.skat.org](http://www.skat.org)), Island Transit ([www.islandtransit.org](http://www.islandtransit.org)), Community Transit ([www.communitytransit.org](http://www.communitytransit.org)), Sound Transit ([www.soundtransit.org](http://www.soundtransit.org)), and Washington State Ferries ([www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/))
- Go online to [www.wvu.edu/transportation](http://www.wvu.edu/transportation) for updated schedule, route, and fare information.

### Amtrak Service

The Amtrak Cascades serves Bellingham at the Fairhaven Transportation Center, and provides daily service to Seattle (for about \$42) and Portland (for about \$96). Go online to [www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com) for more information and updated schedules and fares.