

# How to travel from WWU to Tacoma

## Weekdays Only

- 2:58pm** – Catch **WTA Bus 105** from Haggard Hall to the Downtown Bellingham station.  
**Arrive:** 3:05pm. **Cost:** Free w/ WWU Student Bus Pass
- 3:15pm** – Catch **WTA Bus 80X** from the Downtown Bellingham station to Skagit Station (Mount Vernon).  
**Arrive:** 3:57pm. **Cost:** Free w/ WWU Student Bus Pass  
**Note:** When you board the bus, let the driver know you wish to connect with the 90X.
- 4:15pm** – Catch **Bus 90X** from Skagit Station (Mount Vernon) to Everett Station.  
**Arrive:** 5:00pm. **Cost:** \$2.00
- 5:20pm** – Catch the southbound **Bus 510 (at Bay C1)** from Everett Station to Seattle. This bus will take you to downtown Seattle. Get off at 5<sup>th</sup> Ave & Pine Street.  
**Arrive:** 6:09pm. **Cost:** \$3.00  
**Note:** This bus sometimes runs late. Ask your driver if you have any doubts about the arrival time, or if you're not sure where to get off the bus.
- Walk to 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave and Stewart Street**  
With Nordstrom and Westlake Mall on your right, walk straight forward on Pine Street for three blocks. Turn right onto 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, and walk one block to the intersection of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave and Stewart Street.
- 6:28pm** – Catch **Bus P593** from 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave and Stewart Street, Seattle to Tacoma Dome Station.  
**Arrive:** 7:25pm **Cost:** \$3.00, unless you are using an ORCA Card, which allows a transfer period of two hours, available at <http://www.orcacard.com/>
- Total Time: 4 hours, 40 minutes.**  
**Total Cost: \$5.00 with ORCA Card, \$8.00 without**

## How to get back, weekdays only

(It is possible to get from Seattle to WWU in time for morning classes....yawn)

- 4:55am** – Catch **Sound Transit 590** from Tacoma Dome Station (Zone B) to Olive Way & 6<sup>th</sup> Ave Seattle.  
**Arrive:** 5:43 **Cost:** \$3.00
- 5:57am** – Catch northbound **Bus 510 “Everett”** at Olive Way & 6th, to Everett Station.  
**Arrive:** 6:39am **Cost:** \$3.00, unless you are using an ORCA Card, which allows a transfer period of two hours, available at <http://www.orcacard.com/>
- 6:50am** – Catch **Skagit Transit 90X “Mt. Vernon”** to Skagit Station.  
**Arrive:** 7:35am **Cost:** \$2.00
- 7:45am** – Catch the **80X** to Bellingham Station.  
**Arrive:** 8:30 **Cost:** Free with Viking Xpress Bus Pass
- 8:40am** – Catch **WTA Route 14 or 190** to Viking Union.  
**Arrive:** 8:46 **Cost:** Free with Viking Xpress Bus Pass
- Total Time: 4 hours**  
**Total Cost: \$5.00 with ORCA card, \$8 without**

Note: The 80X stops at the Lincoln Creek Park & Ride at 8:23am (before reaching the Downtown Station). Other WTA buses can connect you from this location to campus via Bill McDonald Parkway without the trip downtown.

## What should I know before I start my trip?

- Remember, this only works on **weekdays!**
- Most of these buses **don't** have overhead bins or bathrooms
- Talk to the bus driver if you're concerned about **catching a connecting bus** on time, or if you're not sure **where to get off the bus**.
- Pay your fare with **coins or dollar bills**.
- This is the **evening schedule to Tacoma**. **Other daytime schedules are available**.
- You can view schedules for the buses featured in this plan at these websites:  
105 and 80X: <http://www.ridewta.com/>  
90X: <http://www.skagittransit.com/>  
510 and P593: <http://www.commtrans.org/>

## What are some alternatives to this route?

1. **Amtrak**. Amtrak trains and buses leave from the Fairhaven Transportation Center. To get there, take any WTA Blue Line bus to the Downtown Bellingham Station and then take WTA Bus 401 to the Fairhaven Transportation Center.

**Tickets sold at [www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com) and the Fairhaven Transportation Center.**

2. **Greyhound**. Greyhound buses leave from the Fairhaven Transportation Center. For directions, see “Amtrak” above.

**Tickets sold at [www.greyhound.com](http://www.greyhound.com) and the Fairhaven Transportation Center.**

3. **WWU RideShare Forums**. Get online to check out carpool options with fellow students at [forum.wwu.edu/forum/2298](http://forum.wwu.edu/forum/2298).

## Have other questions or need more information?

**Contact Student Transportation at 360-650-7960, or the AS Alternative Transportation Coordinator at [as.transportation@wwu.edu](mailto:as.transportation@wwu.edu)**