Regional Travel for Western Faculty, Staff and Students

Bellingham to Seattle and Back in One Day

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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:

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<td>Bellingham Station @ 6:40 AM</td>
<td>Skagit Station (Mt. Vernon) @ 7:22 AM</td>
<td>80X Mt. Vernon</td>
<td>$2.00 or Bus Pass</td>
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<td>Skagit Station @ 7:30 AM</td>
<td>Everett Station @ 8:25 AM</td>
<td>90X Everett</td>
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<td>Everett Station @ 8:31 AM</td>
<td>5th and Pine (Seattle) @ 9:23 AM</td>
<td>510 Seattle</td>
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Weekday **northbound** (same day return) travel along I-5:

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<td>4th and Union @ 3:11 PM or 4:06 PM</td>
<td>Everett Station @ 3:57 PM or 5:03 PM</td>
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<td>Skagit Station @ 5:10 PM or 6:15 PM</td>
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<td>80X Bellingham</td>
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- 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 45th Street & I-5
    - UW is a 15 minute walk or transfer to Metro Route 44 (Montlake) at 45th and 7th Ave NE.
  - **Oak Harbor**: from Skagit Station take Route 411W Whidbey
    - Return from Harbor Station in Oak Harbor on Route 411W Mt. Vernon
  - **Lynnwood**: from Everett take Route 202 Lynnwood
    - Return from Lynnwood Transit Center on Route 201 Smokey Point
  - **Shoreline**: follow schedule to Seattle but exit/board bus at NE 145th 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), SKAT (www.skagittransit.org), Island Transit (www.islandtransit.org), Community Transit (www.communitytransit.org), Sound Transit (www.soundtransit.org), and Washington State Ferries (www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/)
- Go online to www.wwu.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. Go online to www.amtrak.com for more information and updated schedules and fares.