



GENERAL INFORMATION

Lake Washington Technical College is scheduled to open a Funeral Service associates degree program Summer 2009. Other two-year associate degrees in Funeral Service Education are offered by Mount Hood Community College (Gresham, Oregon) and American River College in Sacramento, CA. Everett Community College offers a curriculum of prerequisite courses for these programs.

Funeral science utilizes skills from the fields of science, health occupations, public relations and business. As described on the Web page of the National Funeral Directors Association (www.nfds.org) [8/00], a funeral service professional:

- Provides support to the bereaved during initial stages of their grief.
- Arranges and directs funeral ceremonies.
- Arranges for removal of the deceased from the place of death.
- Prepares the body according to the wishes of the survivors and requirements of the law.
- Secures information for legal documents.
- Files death certificates and other legal papers.
- Assists survivors with details for filing claims for death benefits.
- Helps individuals adapt to changes in their lives following a death through post-death counseling and support group activities.
- Is involved in the community

Typically, students may complete about nine to twelve EvCC courses to prepare for transfer to a mortuary science program, depending on the transfer institution. Students may also remain enrolled at EvCC for more courses in order to complete an Associate degree at EvCC, but it is not necessary. Consult with an advisor concerning the appropriate degree program.

Websites of Funeral Service/Mortuary Science programs: [March 2009]

Lake Washington Technical College
<http://lwtechost.ctc.edu/programs2/funeralservices>

American River College
<http://web.arc.losrios.edu/~edhealth/FSE.html>

Mt. Hood Community College: phone 503-491-7272
www.mhcc.edu/pages/1219.asp

The new program at Lake Washington Technical College is the only Funeral Services program in the state of Washington. Student registration for this program is scheduled to begin in spring 2009, and students may be admitted any quarter during the year.

Mount Hood Community College is a regional program serving students from the Pacific Northwest, California and Nevada. A limited number of students are accepted each year with preference given to applicants who have experience working as an apprentice at a funeral home or related facility. About 25% of the students admitted to the program already have a Bachelor's degree.

PROGRAM ADVISORS

It is helpful to consult with Funeral Service Education college advisors, as well as EvCC advisors. Please contact an EvCC advisor to help you map out your program of study:

- ◆ Fayla Schwartz, Shuksan 117, 425-388-9451
fschwartz@everettcc.edu

CAREER OPTIONS

Students interested in this field should be prepared to work with a diversity of clients on a flexible schedule. Their written, verbal and personal communications skills should be strong.

A degree in Funeral Service Education or Mortuary Science can be used for a career in owning or managing a funeral home, or as an embalmer. The occupational outlook for graduates of mortuary science programs is positive, as the number of graduates is lower than the growing demand. The increasing move toward corporate ownership of funeral homes is allowing for more career opportunities, as well as specialization toward specific clientele.

Generally, following completion of a mortuary science program, a state license exam must be passed. In Washington, prospective funeral directors are required to complete one year (1800 hours) of intern training under the supervision of a licensed funeral director.

RECOMMENDED COURSES

Courses listed with an ampersand in the course number (e.g. ENGL&101) reflect the new Common Course Numbering System. Courses in [brackets] are the "old" course numbers and may be used to satisfy requirements. For more information, go to www.everettcc.edu/ccn

ENGL& 101, English Composition I

CHEM& 121 [101], Intro to Chemistry

BIOL& 175, Intro Anatomy and Physiology (not currently offered at EvCC) or BIOL& 211 – BIOL& 231 series

GETTING STARTED AT EVCC

Our Enrollment Services Office provides information about application, advising, orientation and registration for new and continuing students. Though advising is voluntary, all prospective and current students are invited to contact the Enrollment Services Office or the Counseling Advising and Career Center (CACC) if they would like to speak one-to-one with an advisor about getting started. Contact:

- ◆ Enrollment Services, Jackson Center, 425-388-9219,
admissions@everettcc.edu
- ◆ CACC, Third Floor, Parks, 425-388-9263

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

This plan assumes the student is academically ready for college level Math, English and Chemistry courses.

Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
MATH 082 or 099 [065] ENGL& 101 or 101D CL 101 or BUS 130	CHEM& 121 [101] CMST& 210 [SPCH 100] HEALTH 100	BIOL& 175 or BIOL& 211 PSYC& 100 HUMANITIES	HUMANITIES SOCIAL SCIENCE
Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
BIOL& 231 ACCT& 201 [200]	BUS& 201 [220] PEHW 201		

Lake Washington Technical College has fewer general education than Mt Hood Community College at this time. Students are encouraged to contact the transfer institution directly before starting on a course of studies.



About Everett Community College

Improve your personal skills, discover new ideas, prepare for work and/or university transfer, and improve your career prospects through programs at EvCC.

Each term, about 9,800 students enroll in a wide variety of courses. Day, evening, distance, and workplace-based options are available. Students may enroll on a full-time or part-time basis. EvCC offers two-year associate degrees, short-term certificates, endorsements and industry certifications.

Student life can be active. Currently, EvCC offers athletic programs in basketball, baseball, and soccer, to name a few.

Student clubs range from Phi Theta Kappa (the Honor Society) to the United Native American Council to the International Club to the German Club, and more. Our Student Government and Programs Board are always on the go with activities that make college life fun. There are also opportunities to develop leadership skills.

Student services are designed to support students in their studies, remove barriers, and enrich student life. Financial aid services offer grant and loan opportunities, as well as scholarships. Our Counseling, Advising and Career Center has a rich array of information and personal assistance for students. The Diversity and Equity Center supports student activities and College programs that promote growth and opportunity toward cultural understanding.

Former EvCC students have found employment in business and industry, in community service agencies, in schools, and in other locales. Our transfer students are known to do very well at the UW, WWU and other schools.

EvCC's University Center

Looking for educational options close to home?

Check out our new University Center, offering a variety of Bachelor's and Master's degrees –

Right here. Right now.

www.uceverett.org

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For more information, call 425-388-9219, Everett Community College, 2000 Tower Street, Everett, WA 98201, www.everettcc.edu