



Suggested Schedule to Certificate in Watch Technology Institute

This pathway meets requirements for the Watch Technology Institute certificate. This sample schedule assumes a fall start. If you wish to take alternate courses not listed below please meet with a Watch Technology Coordinator to confirm you're still meeting Certificate requirements.

Before You Start

- WTI is a full time program. If you are interested in a part-time or evening program, please check out American Watchmakers-Clockmakers Institute at AWCI.com or Northwest School of Horology.
- Visit Washington Watchmakers-Clockmakers Association (WWCA) or another association in your local city to learn about and/or join professional organizations.
- Contact and observe professional watchmakers in your local area to learn about the industry.
- Apply to North Seattle College.
- Apply for financial aid and follow up on application with the financial aid office.
- Visit startnextquarter.org to find out if Workforce Education funding is available for you.
- Apply to Watch Technology by submitting a [completed application form and personal statement](#).
- Complete payment of \$37 to take the required, online Bennett Mechanical Comprehension Test (BCMT-II).
- Receive BCMT-II log-in information. Complete the test within 30 days.
- Review BCMT-II scores, then schedule an all-day, in-person bench test.
- After completing the bench test, an admissions decision will be made within 2-3 weeks.
- Submit signed forms confirming enrollment.
- Transfer previous college credits to [North](#).
- Explore Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) options if you have significant professional industry training.

Year One

Quarter 1

- HIN 111 Intro to Watch Technology6
- HIN 112 Watch Tech 1: Tools, Equip & Measurement6
- HIN 113 Watch Tech I: Practicum10

Quarter 2

- HIN 121 Watch Tech II: Professional Knowledge6
- HIN 122 Watch Tech II: The Watchmakers Lathe.....6
- HIN 123 Watch Tech II: Practicum.....10

Quarter 3

- HIN 131 Watch Tech III: Winding and Setting Mechanisms6
- HIN 132 Watch Tech III: Watch Gear Trains6
- HIN 133 Watch Tech III: Practicum.....10

Quarter 4

- HIN 141 Watch Tech IV: Escapements4
- HIN 142 Watch Tech IV: External Parts4
- HIN 143 Watch Tech IV: Practicum8

Credits

Quarter 1

- Schedule an appointment with your assigned advisor in [Starfish](#) to meet and discuss your goals.
- Drop by the [Library](#) to get help with research; check out resources; access computers and study space; and create media projects.
- Visit the Student Learning Center to learn about tutoring writing services offered in-person and online.
- Check out campus life: Student Leadership, student clubs, Equity & Welcome Center, Fitness Center, etc.
- Sign up for one year of free AWCI membership.
- Join National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors (NAWCC), AWCI and WWCA.
- Consider watch technology work study jobs.
- Talk with faculty about pursuing the AAS degree.

Quarter 2

- Apply for financial aid for the upcoming academic year in Winter or Spring quarter to maximize your funding options.
- Work on scholarship personal statements and ask instructors for letters of recommendation.
- Consider applying to third party scholarships such as Henry B Fried scholarship through Horological Society of New York.
- Create an educational plan with your assigned advisor.
- Visit Career Services office in the OCE&E building to learn about career/job exploration resources.
- Attend an "Exploring Careers and Majors Workshop" or meet with a counselor.

Quarter 3

- Apply for the Seattle Colleges Foundation Scholarship and other scholarships.
- Apply for Greenwood Memorial Grant.
- Consider Student Leadership positions and other on-campus jobs.
- Apply for Summer financial aid.

Quarter 4

- Ask friends and family for watches to repair.
- Research and contact employers.



Year Two

Quarter 5

- HIN 211 Watch Tech V: Intro to Precision Timing6
- HIN 212 Watch Tech V: Intro to Electronic Watches6
- HIN 213 Watch Tech V: Practicum.....10

Quarter 6

- HIN 221 Watch Tech VI: Precision Timing 26
- HIN 222 Watch Tech VI: Automatic Watches.....6
- HIN 223 Watch Tech VI: Practicum.....10

Quarter 7

- HIN 231 Watch Tech VII: Advanced Precision Timing6
- HIN 232 Watch Tech VII: Chronographs.....6
- HIN 233 Watch Tech VII: Practicum10

Quarter 8

- HIN 241 Watch Tech VIII: After-Sales Service4
- HIN 242 Watch Tech VIII: Review of Courses.....4
- HIN 243 Watch Tech VIII: Practicum8

Total Credits Required:164

Quarter 5

- Update your educational plan with your assigned advisor.
- Talk with faculty about pursuing the AAS degree.
- Visit Career Services office in the OCE&E building to learn about resume and interview resources.
- Create a LinkedIn profile and clean up your online presence.

Quarter 6

- Finalize resume and employer contact list.
- Ensure all Academic Exception paperwork is submitted (such as course substitutions, transfer credit, and PLA) as needed.

Quarter 7

- Invite friends and family to graduation.
- Apply for graduation for the AAS with your assigned advisor.
- Ensure all Academic Exception paperwork is submitted (such as course substitutions, transfer credit, and PLA) as needed.
- Send out resume to employers.
- Apply for Summer financial aid.
- Add your classmates on LinkedIn to grow your network and keep in touch.

Quarter 8

- Attend graduation ceremony.
- Add your classmates on LinkedIn to grow your network and keep in touch.
- Register for AAS classes if pursuing the degree.
- Schedule interviews with employers.



About the Pathway

This pathway meets requirements for the Watch Technology Institute certificate. This program prepares students to work as Watchmakers and/or Watch Repairers. Learn practical and theoretical aspects of watchmaking, covering topics such as, micromechanics, basic watch, and advanced watch. Students complete 164 credits, resulting in a Watch Technology Certificate. Upon successful completion/passage of all four SAWTA (Swiss American Watchmaker's Training Alliance) exams students will earn a SAWTA certificate.

The Swiss American Watchmaking Training Alliance (SAWTA) curriculum is supported by Rolex Watch USA, Inc. to encourage the training of watchmakers in the U.S. The Watch Technology program has limited seats available. Contact the WTI office for more information.

Career Opportunities

- Watch Repairers
- Watch & Clock Repairers
- Inspection & Quality Control
- Assembly & Fabrication

The most common career environments for students will be brand service centers, retail jewelers and/or watch shops, and independent watch repair shops. For current employment and wage estimates, please visit and search at www.bls.gov/oes.

Approximate Costs

All costs are estimates and are not guarantees. For the most current program information, check with an adviser by calling [206.934.5391](tel:206.934.5391). There are additional costs for books and supplies. Each student is responsible for the purchase of certain supplies and required tools before the instruction begins.

Tuition & fees for:

WA state residents.....	\$18,539
Non-residents	\$20,992
International students.....	\$47,770

Equipment Fee associated with this program:

The toolkit fee is required by the program. Tools are supplied by WTI and paid for by the student. : \$6,000.00 (split 50/50 between the student's first Fall and Winter quarters)

***Please note that these costs are estimates and may vary.**

Which quarter can I begin?

Watch Technology cohorts begin in fall only.

Apply for Financial Aid and Other Funding

All students in need should apply for financial aid – do not assume you are not eligible! Visit <https://northseattle.edu/financial-aid> to learn more about the application steps and types of financial aid available, including grants and scholarships you don't have to pay back.

Some students may be eligible for Workforce Education tuition assistance programs depending on program of study, family income and family size, DSHS assistance, unemployment/employment status of self or spouse, or veteran status. Take this short survey to find out if you pre-qualify for funding at: www.StartNextQuarter.org.

Length of Program

164 credits = 8 quarters.

Class Times/Delivery Format?

Watch Technology courses are offered beginning in fall only: Monday through Thursday 7:30-4:30, Friday 7:30-12. Check the class schedule for the latest offerings.

Find Out More

Visit northseattle.edu/programs/watch-technology-institute to learn more about this pathway or contact wti@seattlecolleges.edu or [206-934-0169](tel:206-934-0169).

Future Education Opportunities

Once you complete the certificate, additional education opportunities include:

- AAS in Watch Technology
- Alternative certifications
- Brand specific training