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Heritage University moves closer to its Yakima and Tri-Cities community college partners

Toppenish, WA—Accessing Heritage University will be much more convenient for students at Yakima Valley Community College (YVCC) and Columbia Basin College (CBC) this fall. Starting in September, the offices for both locations are moving onto the community college campuses.

Currently, classes in the Tri-Cities are held on the CBC campus, but the administrative offices are located in Richland. Dr. Jim Borst, dean of the College of Education and Psychology, explains that the move onto the CBC campus will provide more of a one-stop-shopping experience for students who will be able to access advising services at the same campus where their classes are held.

In Yakima, the administrative offices and classrooms for the graduate program are currently located in a leased facility on 16th Avenue. A part-time office is in place on the YVCC campus to assist students who want to transfer to a four-year program at Heritage after graduating. This office will now be staffed Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The graduate program administrative offices, as well as the classes for the graduate degree programs in counseling, educational administration and professional certification are moving onto Heritage's main campus in Toppenish. The administrative offices will be housed in a new facility under construction on the campus. Starting in October, classes for the Master in Teaching program will be held on the YVCC campus.

“The move will not only allow for better management of the program and admissions from a centralized location, but graduate students will reap the benefits in better access to student services and the library,” said Borst. “Undergraduate students will enjoy a more seamless transfer into their chosen undergraduate programs after they complete their associate’s degree.”

For more information, contact the College of Education and Psychology at 865-8595 in Yakima and (509) 531-6006 in the Tri-Cities.

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