

BP 4235 Credit by Examination/Credit for Prior Learning

References:

NWCCU Standard 1.C.8 ORS 350.110 (Credit for Prior Learning) ORS 350.417 (Advanced Placement Exams)

Academic Credit for Prior Learning

The College authorizes the awarding of academic credit for prior learning that demonstrates achievement of course outcomes and competencies comparable to those taught in traditional college settings. The College shall establish procedures for the evaluation and transcription of such credit in accordance with state and federal regulations.

Credit may be granted for the following types of prior learning provided that it meets standards of academic quality and is aligned with course outcomes:

- Credit by examination (e.g., CLEP, institutional challenge exams)
- Industry-recognized credentials and certifications
- Registered apprenticeship training
- Military training and experience as evaluated by ACE or other recognized bodies
- Portfolio assessment demonstrating mastery of course outcomes
- Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) examination scores

The College shall ensure that all Credit for Prior Learning is clearly documented on the student's transcript and does not duplicate previously awarded credit. Procedures shall include guidelines for student eligibility, faculty review, transcript notation, and appeal processes.

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