Credits to Credentials

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Agenda

• Overview: CPL and Credentials
• Partnerships and Pathways
• Examples and Themes
• Q&A
• Takeaways
CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING & CREDENTIALS
“To be the world class organization that transforms lives through innovative practices across all forms of learning.”
Apprenticeships

Dead ends

Skills

Certificates

Competency-based Education

Credit and Non Credit

Social and Personal Abilities

Confusion

Career Pathways

Jobs

Proliferation

Quality

Portability

Certifications

Assessment of Prior Learning

Badges

Licenses

Non-degree credentials

Micro-Credentials

Degrees

Lack of Trust

Knowledge

Articulation Value

Problematic transferability
What Is Prior Learning Assessment?

A set of well-established, researched and validated methods for assessing non-collegiate learning for college credit.

A process that allows learners to demonstrate knowledge and skill in particular field or fields and have that learning evaluated for college credit.
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*Brewer, 2015*
Welcome to CREDIT

The American Council on Education’s College Credit Recommendation Service (CREDIT) connects workplace learning with colleges and universities by helping adults gain access to academic credit for formal courses and examinations taken outside the traditional classroom.

The ACE National Guide to College Credit for Workforce Training contains ACE credit recommendations for formal courses or examinations offered by various organizations, from businesses and unions to the government and military.

View organizations below or search for a specific course or exam.
CPL PATHWAY
PARTNERSHIPS
Pathway Partnership Elements

- Credit for prior learning options
- Multiple stakeholders and mutual benefits
- Integrated programs and services
- Stackable credentials
- Clear pathways
CPL Partner Pathways

• Opportunity to explain CPL to students and administration in organizations

• Integration of academic and workplace learning for a more holistic educational experience

• Promotion of life-wide and lifelong learning through critical reflection and communication
ACE CPL Pathways: Tools and Approaches

- Verticals
- Ready Colleges
- Connector Role
- Starter Kit
- Profiles
PATHWAY EXAMPLES
UMUC & Jiffy Lube

• UMUC accepts ACE transcript.
• ACE recommendations for experience including military, courses and credit-by-exam are reviewed.
• Take up to 90sh from these non-traditional sources of transfer credit.
UMUC Prior Learning

- Coursework/descriptions reviewed by faculty.
- Equivalencies to UMUC coursework are built in the student information system including dates.
- Credits are applicable to degree program in multiple areas.
- Credits are posted to transcript during official evaluation review process.
- ACE subject and course number and/or name of exam are posted.
Need help getting your College Degree?

You can transfer up to 25 credits for JLU courses towards a UMUC Undergraduate Certificate* or Degree

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JLI Assistance...

$2000 Scholarship Available from JLI

Ask me for an Application!

Expanded Education options...

Credits earned for JLU or UMUC courses can be applied towards:

- an Associate’s Degree at many local colleges
- a Bachelor’s Degree from UMUC or another college

* More information about certificates, including gainful employment disclosures, is available at www.umuc.edu/certificates.
** JLU credits may also be used to earn other UMUC certificates. Check with an alliance advisor to see which certificate programs may be applicable.
Learn New Skills
Data Science, Analytics & Statistics

Online Certificate Programs >
Intro Stats for Credit >
Online Courses >

Data Scientist at Veterans Health Administration Office of Research and Development
BS degree in Data Science and Analytics

Thomas Edison State University has partnered with The Institute of Statistics Education at Statistics.com to offer a Bachelor of Science degree in Data Science and Analytics that works around the unique needs of working adults. The program can be completed entirely online using a combination of Thomas Edison State University online courses, exams and other credit-earning options and online courses in data science and analytics provided by Statistics.com, which have been evaluated and recommended for credit by the American Council on Education’s (ACE) College Credit Recommendation Service (CREDIT®). Credits earned by successfully completing the Statistics.com courses identified for the degree will fulfill the area of study requirements of the program. Data Science is an interdisciplinary field that incorporates computer science, statistics and mathematical modeling, and has applications in business, government, the life sciences, social sciences
DISCUSSION & TAKEAWAYS: STRATEGIES, BENEFITS, AND CHALLENGES