Advanced Standing Credit

Prior Learning Assessment (PLA)

Oklahoma City Community College supports the concept of life long learning and knows that learning takes place in many environments and in many different ways. PLA is one method used to earn Advanced Standing Credit. It is a process that allows adults to identify and demonstrate relevant learning acquired through life and work experience, and to translate that learning into college credit. PLA provides for the identification and confirmation of past learning by systematically evaluating the learning against established academic standards for awarding college credit. Credit is only awarded for actual college level learning, not for experience. The learning must demonstrate a balance between theory and practical application. Faculty who are subject matter experts will evaluate competency.

OCCC has provided for some forms of PLA in the past such as course substitutions or evaluations, CLEP, on-campus testing/evaluation and portfolio development for credit. For more information regarding the process for posting PLA credit to academic coursework, contact the Office of Graduation, Employment, and Transfer Services at (405) 682-7589.