Credit for Prior Learning

What is Credit for Prior Learning?
Credit for Prior Learning (also known as Prior Learning Assessment) offers students with significant life and work experience the chance to earn college credit by demonstrating what they have learned.

What does Credit for Prior Learning offer?

1. Military/ACE Credits
Credit may be awarded for military experience or military school training. Depending on the branch of the military, students are requested to supply their military services transcript to the Admissions Office transfer coordinator.

Military/ACE credits are processed through the Registrar’s Office.

2. Standardized Tests
UW-Superior students may receive college credit for passing scores on certain exams offered by the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and the Defense Activity for Nontraditional Educational Support (DANTES).

3. Challenge Exams
Departmental Challenge Exams offer students the chance to earn credit for a course through an exam written and scored by a department. Unlike Standardized Exams, Departmental Challenge Exams are customized to the learning outcomes and curricula of various departments on campus.

Challenge exams are offered across various academic departments.

4. WRIT 298
WRIT 298: Portfolio Development, is a 1-credit course similar to an independent study in which students work one-on-one with the instructor to create a lengthy and detailed portfolio that articulates students’ learning of particular course or department learning outcomes.

Who can earn Credit for Prior Learning?
There are two types of students who can earn Credit for Prior Learning.

1. Students with extensive work/life experience
2. Nontraditional students which include:
   • Parents
   • Students 25 years or older
   • Veterans
   • Married students

Criminal Justice Cohort
New for Fall 2014: A chance to earn Credit for Prior Learning through portfolio is being offered in Fall 2014 for Criminal Justice students with extensive work or military experience in policing.

For more information about Credit for Prior Learning, go to uwsuper.edu/pla.

For more information, contact:

We invite you to visit
A campus visit offers an opportunity to tour our campus and meet with an Admissions counselor. We can arrange for you to meet a professor and visit a class in any area you choose.

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