

PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT

Get Credit for What You Know

EMCC recognizes several pathways for the assessment of prior learning, which includes learning that was not obtained in the traditional classroom setting such as work and volunteer experience, military training, workshops, professional certifications, etc. We encourage students to explore all of the options available to them. You may already be eligible to receive academic credit for what you already know!

Transfer

- I attended another college before EMCC and earned C's or higher.
- In addition to EMCC, I'm attending classes at another college.

Request an official copy of your transcript from the accredited college/university and send it to the Admissions Office, Eastern Maine Community College, 354 Hogan Road, Bangor, ME 04401.

High School, Tech Centers, Adult Education

- I took Advanced Placement (AP) exams or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams at my high school.
- I participated in Early College for ME at my high school.
- I participated in Concurrent Enrollment classes for college credit.
- I took college course while I was in high school.
- I took vocational classes at a Tech Center or at my school.
- I participated in a College Transitions course through an Adult Education program.

If you've checked any of these, you may already have earned college credit. For more information, contact the Admissions Office at 207-974-4680 or visit www.emcc.edu/PLA for more information.

Proficiency Credit

- I have attended work-related trainings such as computer workshops or interpersonal skills trainings.
- I have taken some exams so that I could get a certification or a license in my field.
- I have earned certifications that keep me up-to-date in my job and have helped me get promotions.
- I have participated in corporate training programs.
- I am a Registered Apprentice.

Check out our Prior Learning Pathways at www.emcc.edu/PLA to view a list of pre-qualified certifications. Also check out ACE Credit Guide to see if your training has been evaluated.

National Subject Exams

- I have studied on my own by reading and practicing new skills in very specific areas, such as psychology, Spanish, etc.
- I have taken classes and workshops in subject areas such as government, history, or computers.
- I can speak language(s) other than English.
- I do well on tests if given proper preparation.
- There are a few college courses I don't think I need to take because I already know the material.

*If you've checked any of these, a national exam such as CLEP or DSST may be a good option for you. For a list of exams accepted, visit www.emcc.edu/PLA and look at our **Prior Learning Pathways**.*

Military Review

- I took correspondence courses through U.S. Armed Forces Institute, the Community College of the Air Force or Air University.
- I have certifications for trainings I completed while in the military.

If you've selected any of these options, you may already have earned credit. DANTES offers help to military service members. Request a Joint Services Transcript for evaluation and contact the Admissions Office at 207-974-4680.

Portfolio Review

- I have worked as a professional in my field for at least three to five years.
- I have learned many different things during my many years of working and involvement in the community.
- I have taught others what I know or coached colleagues.
- I perform as well as other people who have college degrees.
- I have knowledge in my field that is quite extensive in certain areas.

If you've checked any of these, the portfolio option might be a good option for you. Visit www.emcc.edu/PLA for more information.