

Academic Affairs

BP 4235 CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING BY EXAMINATION

Reference:

Title 5 Section 55050 and 55092

Credit for prior learning may be earned by students who satisfactorily pass authorized assessments approved by discipline faculty in eligible courses approved by the District. Authorized assessments may include the evaluation of approved external standardized examinations, industry-recognized credentials, Joint Service Transcripts, student-created portfolios, and credit by examination. The Chancellor shall rely primarily on the recommendations of the Academic Senate to establish administrative procedures to implement this Board Policy.

The District supports the general proposition that the full value of classroom learning experiences cannot be measured by any examination. Students who have achieved elsewhere an equivalent knowledge, understanding and experience to that required by regular college courses may receive units of credit based on successful completion of a comprehensive and searching course assessment examination approved by the college discipline faculty. Students may apply individually for Credit by Examination for any course offered in the catalog. In addition, the Credit by Examination process may also be used to provide credit for completion of certain coursework at the high school level, where deemed appropriate by the majority of faculty in the discipline.

Credit may be earned by students who satisfactorily pass authorized assessment examinations. The student receiving credit must be registered at one of the colleges and in good academic standing. The courses for which credit is allowed must be listed in the current college catalog. The amount of credit to be granted cannot be greater than that listed for the course in the catalog. Credit for Prior Learning by Examination is offered under the provisions of Title 5 and the process included in the Administrative Procedures. The Chancellor shall rely primarily on the Academic Senates to establish administrative procedures to implement this policy.

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