

Policy on Credit for Prior Learning

County College of Morris grants credit for prior learning for certain college-level knowledge acquired through traditional college level education as well as non-traditional education. Nontraditional education may be acquired through experiences such as independent study, professional and/or job-related experiences.

This credit may be granted for:

- Successfully passing selected CLEP (College Level Examination Program) Subject Examinations, and departmental exams, in accordance with the passing scores established by the appropriate academic department. Interested students should contact the Testing Center.
- Achieving the Advanced Placement (AP) examination score established by the appropriate academic department. Procedures to have these AP scores considered are located in the Admissions Office.
- Achieving the score established by the appropriate academic department on the upper level International Baccalaureate (IB) examination. Procedures to have these IB scores considered may be obtained from the Admissions Office.
- Regarding certain specialized courses at CCM, successfully passing a departmental evaluation of the type, content and rigor as determined by each academic department. This could include a portfolio or performance assessment. Students should contact the appropriate academic department for specific information.
- For non-collegiate military training courses accredited under the American Council on Education Military Guide, as verified by the Office of Records and Registration, and with the final evaluation and approval of the appropriate academic department.
- For non-collegiate corporate training courses accredited by the American Council on Education, as verified by the Office of Records and Registration, and with the final evaluation and approval of the appropriate academic department.
- For third party industry-valued credentials as approved by the appropriate academic department.
- Course work taken in secondary high school programs as specified in articulation agreements with CCM. Course work eligible for college credits are those which have been reviewed and approved by the appropriate CCM Academic Department, and signed by both the President of CCM and the designated secondary school administrator.

Credit for prior learning awarded at other accredited institutions of higher learning may be transferred to the County College of Morris upon evaluation and approval of the appropriate academic department. Examples of issues to be considered are:

- Per the *Comprehensive State-Wide Transfer Agreement* “All decisions made with respect to the transfer process shall be based on the principle of equivalence of expectations requirements for native and transfer students.”
- The length of time transpired since the original learning experience or recent additions to the portfolio or performance assessment. Students should obtain advisement from the Academic Department regarding expiration of pre-requisites taken more than seven years ago.
- If applicable, scores earned on standardized testing by evaluating agencies, as well as the identity of the evaluating agency.

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- Criteria used by the institution which previously awarded credit.