

BP 4-8: Prior Learning Assessment

BOARD POLICY BP 4-7

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EFFECTIVE: March 27, 2017

REFERENCES: NWCCU Standards 4.A and 4.B

The Board of Trustees recognize the value of prior learning in the achievement of academic goals. It is the policy of the Board of Trustees that a student's previous college-level learning, including that acquired outside of the traditional college setting, may be evaluated for college credit upon the student's request. The credit evaluation should be done in compliance with institutional Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) policy and faculty requirements.

When appropriate, PLA will be made available for approved programs in a consistent, transferable and comparable means for which students may be awarded credit for prior learning. Once recorded on a transcript, PLA credit is transferable on the same basis as if the credit had been earned through regular study at Dawson Community College.

College Administration will oversee and maintain the efficacy of this policy, as well as assuring students have access to the most appropriate prior learning assessment methods as deemed appropriate by its faculty.

SCOPE	This policy applies to Dawson Community College.
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PROCEDURES	The College President shall promulgate such procedures as may be needed to implement this policy.
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