

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

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EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING: 408.1

Experiential learning is the process where by a student receives credit for experience, or information, gained outside of the traditional academic setting. Tillamook Bay Community College awards experiential learning credit for;

Cooperative Education and Experience courses within the college catalog (e.g. Internships, work experiences and clinical practices as defined in the college catalog for individual programs);

- A. Credit by Examination (AP, IB, Clep/DPTTS);
- B. Military service credit,
- C. Transfer credit; and,
- D. Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) according to state guidelines

CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING: 408.2

Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) is a process that students may use to demonstrate knowledge and/or skill to earn college credit for existing TBCC classes by submitting descriptions, documents, tests, and other evidence of learning to department heads and/or faculty for assessment. CPL is based only on the assessment of documents; it is not a graded process. Credit for Prior Learning is documented, and noted, on the college transcript as such. Students who intend to transfer CPL credits to a four-year institution should check that institution's policies for acceptance of CPL credit.

ALL EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING: 408.3

All experiential learning;

- A. Conforms to Standards of the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (www.cael.org/), including:
 - a. Credit should be awarded only for learning, not for experience.
 - b. College credit should be awarded only for college-level learning.
 - c. Credit should be awarded only for learning that has a balance, appropriate to the subject, between theory and practical application.

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- d. The determination of competence levels and of credit awards must be made by appropriate subject matter and academic experts.
 - e. Awards credit course-by-course, not in blocks.