

AP 4235 - Alternate Approaches to College Credit

Request for Evaluation and Transfer of Previous Credit Process

Once admitted as a credit certificate or degree seeking student, students may request an evaluation and transfer of previous credit or CPL. Transcript evaluation requests must be initiated by the student and sent to Enrollment Services. The request must include official transcripts/documentation from the other institution and the Request for Evaluation and Transfer of Previous Credit form.

Transcript evaluations are performed in the order in which they are received. All transcripts received become the property of Chemeketa and copies may not be provided. Once the evaluation is complete, students will be notified to review their transfer courses on their unofficial transcript and/or in My Chemeketa.

Note: Students using any type of Federal Veterans Administration (VA) Education Benefit, including Chapter 31 VA Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E), are required to have all prior credit history evaluated. Students who have applied for Financial Aid may also be required to submit transcripts from previous colleges.

Transcript Evaluation Standards for College Transfer Credit

For certificate or degree seeking students, the college evaluates general education and career technical education classes from regionally accredited institutions bringing in a maximum of 90 credits toward a student's declared major. Earned grades of A, B, C, or P/S (Pass/Satisfactory) will generally be considered. D grades are only accepted for those programs that allow D grades to fulfill degree requirements. Only subject areas taught at Chemeketa will be brought in as a course equivalent, subject areas not offered at Chemeketa may be transferred in as an elective.

Courses are generally evaluated towards a specific degree program and based on a $\frac{2}{3}$ match for the course content.

International College Transfer Credits

International college or university credits may be evaluated. Most credit given will be elective credit. Students must first have their international transcripts translated and evaluated course-by-course by a service that is a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services.

Proficiency/Assessment Based Learning Transfer Credit

Chemeketa will evaluate courses completed in high school that are designated by the Assessment-Based Learning Standards¹ as Proficiency/Assessment Based Learning. Course equivalency will be determined in consultation with the appropriate Chemeketa academic department. Credit accepted will show under the institution where the credit was earned with a “PB” notation.

Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) Standards

The college will follow the Oregon CPL Standards set by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission. CPL includes credit by exam, industry certifications, institutional challenge exams, military credit, prior learning portfolio, and professional licensure. In order to receive credit for prior learning, you must have an established Chemeketa transcript before the credit can be recorded. After evaluation the CPL will be recorded on your transcript. Each type of CPL will appear with a unique notation on a Chemeketa transcript. CPL will not be graded or calculated in the Chemeketa GPA except for Challenge Exams and Prior Learning Portfolio. CPL may not be used to establish the graduation residency requirement.

Credit for Professional Certification (CPC)

In specific career and technical education programs, Chemeketa may award credit for certified professional career training. Students interested in the Criminal Justice, Emergency Medical Technology/Paramedic, Early Childhood Education, Fire Science, or Apprenticeship programs may be eligible for a waiver of some basic preparation courses if defined criteria are met through CPC. Certified Paramedics pursuing the Paramedic program may receive 50 credits through CPC.

Military Service Credit

Chemeketa awards college credit for military training and coursework based on American Council on Education (ACE) credit recommendations included in military transcripts. Chemeketa does not evaluate military experience.

Prior Learning Portfolio (PLP)

The Prior Learning Portfolio may award up to 24 credit hours for documented knowledge and skills that apply to a specific certificate or degree. Students must enroll in the Prior Learning Portfolio course(s) in order to receive credit. A maximum of 25% of a degree or certificate may be recorded for Prior Learning Portfolio¹.

Exam Credit

Advanced Placement (AP)²

¹ Higher Education Coordinating Commission Standards for Dual Credit and Additional Accelerated Learning Models

Exams completed in high school under the Advanced Placement Program may be eligible to receive college credit. Credit awarded will vary based on scores received and a list of accepted exams is available on the Chemeketa public website and the Advanced Placement website.

Chemeketa Challenge Exam³

Chemeketa offers a limited selection of courses eligible for challenge exams. Students may complete the exam and receive an exam score prior to deciding whether to receive the credit. Grades are assigned to challenge exams, courses are noted on a transcript with a course number ending in CE.

College Level Entrance Examination Program (CLEP)³

Students may receive credit for certain college courses by completing the College Level Entrance Examination Program (CLEP). A list of exams accepted by Chemeketa and credit received is available on the Chemeketa public website.

International Baccalaureate (IB)²

Exams completed in high school under the International Baccalaureate (IB) may be eligible to receive college credit. A list of accepted exams is available on the Chemeketa public website and the International Baccalaureate website.

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² Statewide AP and IB Course Credit Policy

³ Oregon Credit for Prior Learning Standards