



Executive Summary of Feedback Received from the Policy Portal to the Credit for Prior Learning Policy

During the comment period for the Credit for Prior Learning Policy, multiple individuals submitted comments/questions, which are addressed below.

1. Suggestion: Add notation that "Credits approved by MCC may not be transferable to other institutions. Students should meet with a representative of the transfer institution to determine if those credits are transferable."

Administrative Response: Thank you for this comment. We have added this notation under "Credit by Evaluation in Practice" and have also updated references from "credit by evaluation" to "credit for prior learning" where appropriate to ensure consistency with the policy title.

2. The award level makes no allowance for microcredentials.

Administrative Response: At this time, SUNY does not allow transfer credit as part of their recommended microcredential protocol and by extension, prior learning is also precluded.

3. What are the operational costs for awarding credit by evaluation?

Administrative Response: The award of credit for prior learning *may* incur operational costs, particularly when there are multiple steps involved in the evaluation process, such as a portfolio review. In other instances, such as Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) credits, the operational costs are minimal. The draft has been updated to include this distinction.

4. Do these costs include payment to the faculty who are asked to conduct the evaluation?

Administrative Response: If faculty are involved in the evaluation process and a student is charged a fee, the faculty will be compensated for their additional work. This ensures that the evaluation process remains fair and equitable while maintaining the integrity of credit determinations.

5. What is the procedure for a waiver? Who makes that determination?

Administrative Response: The Credit for Prior Learning procedures are currently being developed; this process will be outlined in that document. Specific details regarding waiver eligibility and approval authority will be included to ensure transparency and accessibility for students.

6. Eligibility requirements around residency do not clarify the requirement for microcredentials.

Administrative Response: Please see the response to #2 above.

7. What is the rationale behind allowing up to 36 credits for prior learning when we have a requirement of at least 24 credits earned at MCC to obtain an associate degree?

Administrative Response: The combination of 24 residency credits earned at MCC and the additional credits awarded through prior learning aligns with the total credit requirements for an associate degree.