

Prior Learning Assessment Update:

The team leading the achievement of the goal to increase access to prior learning and proficiency credit established the joint credit/non-credit workgroup for the College. This workshop recommends steps to expand student access to assessment for prior learning and proficiency credit. During AY18, the group assisted the early childhood education (ECE) faculty and Workforce Development and Continuing Education (WDCE) staff in launching the child-care certification pathway and developing the recognition of the industry credential for incumbent workers. Further, WDCE and the ECE faculty submitted a joint EARN-Maryland grant to add MI-BEST classes that will allow adult education students in WDCE to access this new pathway more easily. We now have an English

for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) for Childcare Professionals class that will segue into the jobs skills training and basic education program, MI-BEST, with a version of the Child Development Associate (noncredit). In this educational pathway, students can earn six credits once they complete the class and obtain their national credential. The Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (DLLR) is giving Montgomery College \$50,000 for the coursework and for a person in the for-credit ECE program to help build the employer advisory group.

One key element of expanding credit for prior learning (CPL) is to develop marketing materials that explain what CPL is and help prospective and current students to take advantage of these

Duplicated, Student Usage of CPL, 2012–2017

Test/Alternate Credit Type	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
A-Level	3	7	3	2	1	4
Advanced Placement	977	918	792	801	756	822
American Council on Education	1	1	1	3	1	2
Assessment of Prior Learning	0	1	0	0	0	6
College-Level Examination Prog	118	70	90	80	138	144
Credit by Examination	6	6	3	5	13	23
DANTES	3	0	0	0	1	3
Department Exam	0	18	17	16	0	9
MC-MCPS Articulation	16	75	11	4	7	13
U.S. Air Force	6	0	0	0	2	0
U.S. Army	49	20	32	27	78	67
U.S. Coast Guard	1	0	0	1	0	1
U.S. Marine Corp	17	10	15	11	26	16
U.S. Navy	30	32	34	36	58	54
Total	1227	1158	998	986	1081	1164
Total without AP	250	240	206	185	325	342