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PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT

EARN COLLEGE CREDIT FOR WHAT
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WIREGRASS GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

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INTRODUCTION

Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) is a pathway for assessing learning gained outside a traditional academic environment. This could be learning acquired through professional licensure or certification, military and/or corporate training, and exemption testing. PLA is a process of evaluating what a student knows at the college-level derived from these experiences to award college credit. PLA can save you time and money because you may not be required to take courses for material you have already mastered. WGTC recognizes the importance of providing advanced placement opportunities to students who have shown and demonstrated course mastery through various methods.

TO RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING, YOU MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- You must demonstrate that you possess college-level learning in the courses requested. Pre-approved licensure/certification crosswalks and military recommended credits are the primary tools used to evaluate your accomplishments.
- Any credit earned through PLA is considered exemption/transfer credit. It does not fulfill any part of the 25% residency credit requirements necessary to graduate from Wiregrass Georgia Technical College.
- Credit received through PLA may only be awarded if the student has been employed in the occupational field at some point during the last 10 years.

FOUR WAYS WGTC STUDENTS CAN EARN PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT CREDIT

Professional Licensure and Certifications (WGTC Crosswalks)

WGTC recognizes that many professionals have extensive work experience in fields related to programs of study. The college recognizes the level of learning associated with these credentials and has developed pre-approved crosswalks for these opportunities that will ensure credit can be awarded. [View approved crosswalks.](#)

WGTC will evaluate and may award credit for recognized proficiencies that equate to specific courses offered at their institutions through certifications and licensure.

A crosswalk of major certifications and licensure and course credit by exemption are listed on the following pages. The certification listed meets or exceeds credit for the corresponding course(s) listed. Students may receive pre-approved credit for certifications and licensure, without completing a portfolio. However, official documentation of licensure/certification may be required. Contact the PLA Coordinator for more information.

Military Training

WGTC may award credit for training received or work experience in the Armed Forces. We are committed to ensuring our military service members and veterans receive credit for their knowledge gained through training and their service to our country. Military transcripts will be used to evaluate military experiences for college credit recommendations. Students must submit their official Joint Services Transcript or transcript from the Community College of the Air Force.

In-Service, Company and Professional Courses

WGTC recognizes that many professionals complete extensive training sessions offered by the organization or by the manufacturers of equipment with the rigor and content equitable to many college courses. WGTC may evaluate and award credit for recognized proficiencies that equate to specific courses offered at their institutions. Your ARC advisor can help you determine the possibilities related to this method.

PLA Process and Required Supporting Documentation

The college will require the candidate for PLAs to submit any supporting documentation that demonstrates they have achieved college level learning and complete the process as applicable.

1. Meet with your ARC advisor to discuss the various opportunities.
2. Complete the online application for PLA on the link below. *Paper application available upon request.*
 - <https://www.wiregrass.edu/academics/prior-learning-credit/pla-application>
3. Provide evidence supporting prior learning:
 - Copies of professional licensure or certification (e.g. POST Transcripts, Electrical Licenses, CNA)
 - Letters of validation for work experience
 - Military transcripts
 - Evidence of formal training or copies of industry certificates

Approved Crosswalks

Applicable Program(s)	Certification	Wiregrass Course(s) Receiving Credit
Advanced Patient Care Nurse Aide Nursing Technician Patient Care Assistant	Current Georgia Nurse Aide Certification	NAST 1100
Opticianry	American Board of Opticianry NOCE national certification	OPHD 1010, OPHD 1020, OPHD 2120, OPHD 2190
	Certified Ophthalmic Assistant (COA) or Certified Ophthalmic Technician (COT) OR Certified Ophthalmic Medical Technician (COMT) with written examination	OPHD 1020
	COA, COT, COMT with performance examination	OPHD 1200
	COA, COT, COMT with written examination and performance examination (slit lamp, keratometer, phoropter)	OPHD 1080 OPHD 2130
EMS Professions	Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma Advanced EMT License OR National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Advanced EMT Certification	EMSP 1110, EMSP 1120, EMSP 1130, EMSP 1140, EMSP 1150, EMSP 1160, EMSP 1510, EMSP 1520, EMSP 1530, EMSP 1540
Paramedicine	Georgia EMS Paramedic License OR National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Paramedic Certification	EMSP 2110, EMSP 2120, EMSP 2130, EMSP 2140, EMSP 2310, EMSP 2320, EMSP 2330, EMSP 2340, EMSP 2510, EMSP 2520, EMSP 2530, EMSP 2540, EMSP 2550, EMSP 2560, EMSP 2710, EMSP 2720
	Georgia EMS Paramedic License OR National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Paramedic Certification AND Portfolio that includes complete work history along with professional certifications	EMSP 2570
Phlebotomy	Currently employed as a Phlebotomist with 5 years of experience in the last 10	PHLT 1050
Radiologic Technology	Current ARRT certification in Radiography AND diploma in Radiography	RADT 1010, RADT 1030, RADT 1060, RADT 1085, RADT 1320, RADT 1065, RADT 1200, RADT 2090, RADT 1330, RADT 2340, RADT 1075, RADT 2260, RADT 2360, RADT 1200

Networking Information Security Computer Support Specialist	70-680-Windows 7, Configuring OR 70-687-Windows 8, Configuring OR 70-698-Installing and Configuring Windows 10	CIST 2411
	70-640-Windows Server 2008 Active Directory, Configuring OR 70-411-Administering Windows Server 2012	CIST 2412
	70-643-Windows Server 2008 Applications Infrastructure, Configuring OR 70-413-Designing and Implementing a Server Infrastructure	CIST 2413
	70-646-Windows Server 2008, Server Administrator OR 70-412-Configuring Advanced Windows Server 2012 Services	CIST 2414
	A+ Certification AND Should not be more than 3 years old	CIST 1122, CIST 1130
	Networking + Certification AND Should not be more than 3 years old	CIST 1401
	Security + Certification AND Should not be more than 3 years old	CIST 2602
	Project + Certification AND Should not be more than 3 years old	CIST 2921
Web Design	CIW Advanced HTML5 and CSS3 Specialist OR Web Authoring Using Adobe Dreamweaver Certification	CIST 1510
	Visual Communication Using Adobe Photoshop Certification	CIST 1530
	Interactive Media Using Adobe Flash Professional Certification	CIST 1520
	ACE Dreamweaver 2015	CIST 2510
Design and Media Production	ACE Photoshop 2015	DMPT 1010, CIST 1530
	ACE Illustrator 2015	DMPT 1005
	ACE InDesign 2015	DMPT 2105
Health Information Technology	AHIMA Coding Credentials-CCA	HIMT 1400, HIMT 2400
	AHIMA Coding Credentials-CCS	MAST 1120, HIMT 1350, HIMT 1400, HIMT 1410, HIMT 2400
	AHIMA Coding Credentials-CCS-P	MAST 1120, HIMT 1350, HIMT 1400, HIMT 1410, HIMT 2400
	AAPC Coding Credential-CPC	MAST 1120, HIMT 1350, HIMT 1400, HIMT 1410, HIMT 2400
	AAPC Coding Credential-CPC-P	MAST 1120, HIMT 1350, HIMT 1400, HIMT 1410, HIMT 2400
	AAPC Coding Credential-COC previously known as CPC-H	HIMT 1400, HIMT 2400
	LPN OR ASN-RN Licensed Graduate	HIMT 1350, HIMT 1250, HIMT 1200, MAST 1120, HIMT 2460, ALHS 1090
	BSN-RN Licensed Graduate	HIMT 1350, HIMT 1250, HIMT 1200, MAST 1120, HIMT 2150-If statistics taken for Degree, HIMT 2460, ALHS 1090
	Associates Degree/Licensed Healthcare Professionals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respiratory Therapy Radiology Technology Medical Lab Tech 	HIMT 1200, HIMT 1250, ALHS 1090 Medical Assistant only:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Assistant 	MAST 1120, HIMT 2460
	Diploma/Licensed or Certified Healthcare Professionals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pharmacy Technicians Surgical Technicians Medical Assistant Paramedic 	HIMT 1200, HIMT 1250, ALHS 1090, ALHS 1011 Medical Assistant only: MAST 1120, HIMT 2460
Early Childhood Care & Education	CDA Prep-Current Card	ECCE 1101, ECCE 1103
	CDA Prep-Current Card and First Aid CPR Current Card	ECCE 1105
Criminal Justice	LETA 1032-Introduction to Criminal Justice for Basic Law Enforcement	CRJU 1010
	LETA 1030-Principles of Law Enforcement for Basic Law Enforcement	CRJU 1040
	LETA 1012-Ethics and Liability for Basic Law Enforcement OR LETA 1016-Police Patrol Operations for Basic Law Enforcement	CRJU 1040
	LETA 1024-Criminal Law for Criminal Justice for Basic Law Enforcement	CRJU 1068
	LEA 1034- Constitutional Law for Criminal Justice for Basic Law Enforcement	CRJU 2020
	LETA 1026- Criminal Procedure for Basic Law Enforcement	CRJU 2050
	Currently employed in the Criminal Justice Field	CRJU 2100
	Currently employed in a law enforcement field AND has a Basic Law Enforcement Certification	CRJU 1010, CRJU 1040, CRJU 1054, CRJU 1068, CRJU 1400, CRJU 2020, CRJU2050, CRJU 2100
	Possession of a Correctional Officer Certification OR Basic Jail Officer Certification	CRJU 1030
	Possession of a Juvenile Correctional Officer Certification	CRJU 2070
	Completion of the 40 hour Officer Survival Class OR the 40 hour Defensive Tactics course	CRJU 1054
	Completion of the 80 hour Criminal Investigation Class	CRJU 1062
	Crime Scene Technician Certification or Completion of the 40 hour Crime Scene Investigations class	CRJU 1063
	Completion of the following classes or certifications. DARE, GREAT, CHAMPS, 40 hour School Resource Officer Training, 40 hour Community Oriented Policing course, OR similar training and/or certification.	CRJU 1065
	Completion of the 40 hour Criminal Apprehension for Patrol class and/or 24 hour Advanced Patrol Techniques	CRJU 1050
	Completion of any 40 hour Supervision, Management or Executive class or Professional Management Program (PMP)	CRJU 1052
	Completion of the 72 hour On-Scene Traffic Accident Investigation class	CRJU 1056
	Completion of the 16 hour Advanced Report Writing class and/or 24 hour Advanced Search Warrants and Affidavits course along with any POST Certification.	CRJU 1075
	Completion of the 16 hour Courtroom Preparation and Testimony for First Responders Class or the 24 hour DUI Case Preparation and Courtroom Presentation class along with any POST Certification.	CRJU 2201

	Completion of 24-hour Latent Print Development AND 24-hour Latent Print ID courses.	FOSC 2041
	Completion of 40 hour Death Investigation course	FOSC 2033
Fire Science	Firefighter I Certification	FRSC 1020, FRSC 1030 FRSC 1040, FRCS 1141
	Firefighter II Certification	FRSC 1050, FRSC 1060 FRSC 1070, FRCS 1080
	Georgia Fire Academy Leadership 1: Strategies for Company Success AND Leadership 2: Strategies for Personal Success AND Leadership 3: Strategies for Supervisory Success AND Acting Officer in Charge for the Fire Service	FRSC 1110
	MCTO I, II, III OR Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations AND Preparation for Initial company Operations	FRSC 1121
	Fire Service Instructor I	FRSC 1132
	Hazmat Operations: Given by the GFA or NFA	FRSC 1141
	Georgia Fire Inspector Level I Module I AND Georgia Fire Inspector Level II	FRSC 1151
	Incident Safety Officer AND Health and Safety Officer	FRSC 1161
	Practical Fireground Hydraulic AND Pressurized Water Systems and Supplies	FRSC 2110
	Fighting Fires in Sprinklered Buildings AND Alternate Water Supply Systems	FRSC 2120
	Principles of Building Construction - NC AND Principles of Building Construction - Combustible	FRSC 2130
	NIMS - Basic Incident Command System (IS 200) AND NIMS - Intermediate ICS (IS 300) AND NIMS - Advanced ICS Command & General Staff (IS 400)	FRSC 2141
	Georgia POST Arson Investigator	FRSC 2170
Air Conditioning Technology	HVAC Excellence—Heat Pump Service	AIRC 1005, AIRC 1010, AIRC 1020, AIRC 1030, AIRC 1040, AIRC 1050, AIRC 1080, AIRC 1090
	HVAC Excellence—Gas Heat	AIRC 1030, AIRC 1070,
	HVAC Excellence—Residential AC	AIRC 1005, AIRC 1010, AIRC 1020, AIRC 1030, AIRC 1040, AIRC 1050, AIRC 1090
	HVAC Excellence—Light Commercial AC	AIRC 1005, AIRC 1010, AIRC 1020, AIRC 1030, AIRC 1040, AIRC 1050, AIRC 1090
	HVAC Excellence—Light Commercial Refrigeration	AIRC 2070, AIRC 2080, AIRC 2090
	NATE—Heat Pump Service	AIRC 1005, AIRC 1010, AIRC 1020, AIRC 1030, AIRC 1040, AIRC 1050, AIRC 1080, AIRC 1090
	NATE—Gas Heat	AIRC 1030, AIRC 1070,
	NATE—AC Service	AIRC 1005, AIRC 1010, AIRC 1020, AIRC 1030,

		AIRC 1040, AIRC 1050, AIRC 1090
	NATE—Light Commercial Refrigeration	AIRC 2070, AIRC 2080, AIRC 2090
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Automotive Collision	ASE/B3 non-structural analysis and damage repair. I-CAR: EXT03, EXT04, STS01, GLA01, TRM02, PLA03, TRM03, ADH01, WCS04, WCS03, EXTO2 WKRO1, APR01, OR LEVEL ONE I-CAR	ACRP 1000, ACRP 1005, ACRP 1010, ACRP 1015
	ASE/B4 structural analysis and repair I-CAR: WCS03, WCS04, MEA01, GLA02, FFR01, SPS10, SPS11, SSS01, ALIO1, OR LEVEL ONE I-CAR	ACRP 2010, ACRP 2015
	ASE/B2 Painting and Refinishing CPSO1, REF09, REF08, REF04, WKRO1, REF01, REFO2, TRM03 OR LEVEL ONE I-CAR	ACRP 2001, ACRP 2002
	ASE/B5 electrical and mechanical components I-CAR: RES01, RES02, STE04, AIR02, AIR03, ABR01, ELEO1, HEA02, HEA03, STE03, STE02 OR LEVEL ONE I-CAR	ACRP 1017, ACRP 1019
Automotive Technology	ASE Certification: G1 or any A1 through A8 Automotive Tech Intro/Safety	AUTT 1010
	A1 -Engine Repair	AUTT 2010
	A2 -Auto trans/axle Repair	AUTT 2030
	A3 -Manual Drive Trains	AUTT 2020
	A4 -Steering/Suspension	AUTT 1050
	A5 -Brake Systems	AUTT 1030
	A6 -Electrical	AUTT 1020
	A7 -Automotive HVAC	AUTT 1060
	A8& LL1 -Engine Performance	AUTT 1040
Industrial Systems Electrical Systems	State Licensure: Electrical Contractors License-Restricted and was obtained by testing, not grandfathered in.	ELTR 1205, ELTR 1210
	State Licensure: Electrical Contractors License-Un-Restricted and was obtained by testing, not grandfathered in.	IDSY 1130
	NCCER Registered Technicians	
	NCCER Core certification	IDFC 1007
	NCCER Core and Level 1 Electrical certification	IDFC 1007
	NCCER Level 1 and Level 2 Electrical certification	ELTR 1080
	NCCER Level 1 and Level 2 Electrical certification	ELTR 1090
Machine Tool Technology	NIMS level 1 Machining Credentials	MCHT 1011, MCHT 1119, MCHT 1120, AMCA 2110
	NIMS Level 2 Machining	MCHT 1219, MCHT 1220, AMCA 2130, AMCA 2150
	NIMS Level 3 Machining	AMCA 2170, AMCA 2190

Telecommunications	BISCI Installer – Level 1 (must be current)	TELE 2020
	BISCI Installer – Level 2 Optical Fiber	TELE 1160
	FOA CFOT or Higher Certification	TELE 1160
	Comp TIA A+ certification	TELE 2170
	Comp TIA Network+ certification	ELCR 2190
	SCTE BPI, BPT, BPE	TELE 1690, TELE 1700, TELE 1720
	NCTI Installer technician	TELE 1690
	NCTI Service technician	TELE 1700
	NCTI Digital technician	TELE 1720
	Key system installation w/voicemail (Manufacturers Certified)	TELE 2110
	Fire alarm system (Manufacturer Certified)	ELCR 2670
	Security System (Manufacturer Certified)	ELCR 2660
	CCTV installation (Manufacturer Certified)	ELCR 2680

Equal Opportunity Statement

The Technical College System of Georgia and its constituent Technical Colleges do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, gender, religion, disability, age, political affiliation or belief, genetic information, disabled veteran, veteran of the Vietnam Era, spouse of military member or citizenship status (except in those special circumstances permitted or mandated by law).

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Any violation or questions may be directed to any member of the Campus Equity & Compliance Team:

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