NON-TRADITIONAL CREDIT PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT

There are several ways for students to apply credit to their degree or certificate program in addition to completing a course(s) at Bellingham Technical College or transferring credit from another college or university, such as Tech Prep, AP, IB, CLEP, DSST and ACE. Non-traditional credit awarded at BTC includes challenge credit (credit by exam) for individual courses, and credit for prior experiential learning for programs. These credits are not Financial Aid eligible.

- Credit by evaluation starts when an Evaluation Request form, along with official transcripts or testing records, has been submitted to the Admissions and Student Resources.
- Challenge credit or credit by examination is available for some courses. Speak to your Instructor to see if this is an option. If so, complete the Credit for Non-Traditional Learning form.
- Prior Experiential Learning is available for the specific programs listed below. If you are in a program, speak with your program instructor and complete the Credit for Non-Traditional Learning form. If you are not yet in a program, speak with the transcript evaluator in the Admissions and Student Resource Center to get started.
- For HIV/AIDS for Healthcare Workers, bring your certificate/card to Admissions.

Programs approved for Credit for Prior Experiential Learning

- Automotive
- Business Computer Information Systems (BCIS)
  - Accounting Assistant/Technician
  - Administrative Assistant
  - Computer Software Support
  - Health Information Assistant
  - Legal Assistant
  - Office Assistant
  - Receptionist/Medical Receptionist

- Civil Engineering
- Computer Networking
- Construction Management
- Culinary
- Diesel
- Electrician
- Electro Mechanical Technology (EMTEC)
- HIV/AIDS for Healthcare Workers
- Instrumentation
- Pastry
- Precision Machining
- Welding

Questions regarding the Prior Learning Assessment procedure should be directed to the Director of Registration and Enrollment at 360.72.8436 or jkammerzell@btc.edu.