

DO YOU QUALIFY FOR CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING?

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Assessment of Prior Learning

- I have worked as a professional in my field for at least three to five years.
- I have also worked in other professions for extended periods of time.
- I have attended work-related trainings such as computer workshops or interpersonal skills trainings.
- I have earned certifications that keep me up-to-date in my job and have helped me to get promotions.
- I have learned a lot of different things during my many years of working and involvement in the community.
- I have taught others what I know or coached colleagues.
- I perform as well as other people who have college degrees.
- I have learned some specific skills that help me every day at work.
- I want to learn more in my field but don't think I need to start at the beginning.
- I have knowledge in my field that is quite extensive in certain areas.

If you have checked several of these a portfolio may be a good option for you! All prior learning assessment credits must match with a [MSU Denver course](#).

College Subject Tests and Departmental Exams for Credit

- I have studied a lot on my own by reading and practicing new skills in very specific areas.
- I have taken classes and workshops in subjects such as government, history, or computers.
- I have taken some open online courses (MOOCs) on specialized subjects, and think that I learned a lot.
- I do well on tests if given proper preparation.
- I am already in college, but there are a few courses I don't think I need to take because I already know the material.
- I don't know which degree I am going to get, but there are some general education MSU Denver classes offered that definitely would not need to take.
- I am in a degree program and am taking classes, but I am required to take one or two MSU Denver classes in my major that I could 'test out of' or challenge.
- I have looked at the requirements for a MSU Denver class and I know I could pass it with what I already know.

If you checked several of these, taking some **college subject tests** (through CLEP or DSST) or departmental exams for credit may be a good option for you. CLEP exams are offered here at MSU Denver and it takes just a few hours to take them. The results are immediate! [Click here](#) for more information. Acceptance of DSST exams are on a [case-by-case](#) basis.

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