PLA AND PSU

What’s in it for us?

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PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT

The evaluation of college-level learning acquired outside of the university classroom.

A successful evaluation results in credit towards a degree.
WHAT ARE A STUDENT’S OPTIONS?

• Advanced Placement
• Transfer of Credits
• ACE
• CLEP
• DANTES
• Credit by Exam
• Credit by Portfolio
HOW PLA WORKS

• Advising
  • What courses do you need?
  • What learning have you already acquired?

• Review
  • Reflect on your past
  • What did you learn?
  • What course(s) does that equate to?

• Evaluation
  • Acceptance
  • Method
  • Application and Fee

• Credit
  • Transcription
WHY IS PLA A GOOD THING?

• The number one question that adults are asking – Do you offer credit for prior learning?
• Faster completion time and higher persistence rates
• PA will need to fill 1.8 million job vacancies by 2018 and 1 million of those will require a college degree
• The number of adults looking for college degrees will increase and they will be looking for the most efficient route
THE TWO ISSUES THAT CAUSE CONCERN

- **Quality**
  - Do we cheapen the degree?
  - Is this an easier route?
  - Are we giving credit for work experience?

- **Revenue**
  - Don't we lose money?
NEXT STEPS

• Marketing
• Faculty
• Training
• Acceptance
• Growth