

Transfer Credit

As outlined below, students may receive transfer credit at Massasoit for courses completed at other colleges, for examinations, or for prior learning.

Courses Completed Elsewhere

Courses from an accredited college or university will be eligible for transfer to Massasoit Community College. The College most often accepts courses in transfer whose content is similar to a Massasoit course. A maximum of 10 courses or 30 credits (whichever is greater) may be applied in transfer to an associate's degree, and a maximum of half the credits required for a certificate program may be applied in transfer. The student must provide a sealed, official transcript and/or certificate for evaluation by the Registrar before transfer credit can be awarded. Transcripts in any language other than English must be accompanied by supporting official translation into English. Additional information may be required of the student.

Massasoit requires the following criteria for transfer credit:

1. Courses graded above C- (Courses graded as pass/fail will require documentation of actual grade earned)
2. Courses that are not designated as three or more semester hours
3. Developmental courses (courses considered below college-level)
4. Advanced Placement high school classes; Advanced Placement exam scores must be three or more to receive credit

Once transfer credits are awarded, the student will receive a transfer credit evaluation of which courses were accepted in transfer and their Massasoit equivalents. Transfer credits are identified with a grade of T and are not calculated into the GPA.

ACT PEP Test

ACT PEP Tests for Microbiology and Anatomy & Physiology will be accepted provided that the student receives a grade of 45 or higher and demonstrates adequate laboratory experience as determined by the department on a case-by-case basis.

Advanced Placement Test

The College Board's Advanced Placement Test will be accepted for credit for courses in departments that approve the test. The department will also specify for which course credit will be given and which score on the test is necessary to receive credit.

Challenge Examinations

The purpose of Challenge Examinations is to present the student with an opportunity to receive credit for knowledge in courses not evaluated by CLEP. This primarily means courses in career programs. Any student wishing to take Challenge Examinations should see the appropriate department chairperson.

CLEP

CLEP (College Level Examination Program) is a series of examinations designed to measure knowledge acquired through non-traditional methods of study. If students have any questions about CLEP credit, they should contact the Registrar or a Counselor.

Credit for Prior Learning

Credit for Prior Learning is a procedure through which students may, with the approval of the College, receive academic credit for certain life and work experiences. This procedure calls for the interested student to petition the Office for Prior Learning in the Division of Faculty and Instruction. College credit will be awarded to qualified students through a process of assessment and documentation arranged through consultation between the CPL Office and appropriate faculty. Students must pay for the assessment and any credit awarded. Students will not be permitted to apply for Part II of any skill-oriented, sequential course until credit has been granted for Part I, such as typing, word processing, or shorthand. Call 508-588-9100, ext. 1901. The Board of Higher Education has guidelines for Criminal Justice programs stating that Criminal Justice students are not eligible for Credit for Prior Learning.

The Registrar's Office reserves the right to adjust its transfer credit policy at any time.