



FOR EARLY EDUCATORS:

- Do you need college coursework to meet child care licensing regulations?
- Are you interested in career advancement by earning a credential or college degree?
- Have you worked many years in the field, actively engaged in professional development?

Prior Learning Assessment could be right for you!

Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) is a process designed to help adults earn undergraduate college credit for some types of learning acquired outside of college settings. PLA can be a great way for Vermont early educators to apply work experience and training toward college credit.

It is common for experienced early educators to earn 30 college credits in just one semester!

Vermont institutions that support APL include:



Details: Two course options enable students to have their work experience assessed for credit as "Prior Learning Assessment" (PLA) by creating a PLA portfolio and requesting credits. Course options include:

- **Focused Portfolio Development (FPD)** is a 1-credit course. Students can earn up to 12 course credits & 4 practicum credits. Cost is tuition for 1 credit, administration fee, and a \$200 one-time assessment fee.
- **Assessment of Prior Learning (APL)** is a 3-credit course. No limit on earned credits. Cost is tuition for 3 credits, administration fee, and a \$300 one-time assessment fee.

Contact: 802-828-4064 or priorlearning@ccv.edu

To learn more, visit: <https://ccv.edu/explore-ccv-programs/credit-for-what-you-know/>

Details: Max. 72 credits

Cost: Pay tuition for portfolio course and a one-time fee of \$500

Contact: 1-800-727-0004, ext. 3975

To learn more, visit: <https://springfield.edu/school-of-professional-and-continuing-studies/the-student-experience/degree-acceleration>

Details: Max. 75 credits

Cost: Determined by format of assessment you choose

Contact: 1-800-468-4888, ext. 215

To learn more, visit: <https://www.goddard.edu/academics/undergraduate-studies/assessment-prior-learning/>



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To learn more, visit: www.letsgrowkids.org/earlyeducatorresources

