

Faculty-to-Faculty Conference

Military Prior Learning Assessment

November 3, 2017

HB 17-1004: Legislative Declaration

- Colorado is home to more than 400,000 veterans.
- Veterans have spent significant time receiving high quality training on the job while serving our country and safeguarding our freedom and liberty.
- GI bill covers only ~36 months of education. Good advising needed to ensure benefits are used wisely!
- Getting credit for prior learning preserves GI benefits, enhances momentum, and decreases time to completion.

HB 17-1004: Our Charge

By February 14, 2018 (so it can become state policy by June 1, 2018) identify which items on a Joint Services Transcript (JST) qualify as GT Pathways credit.

Today's Goals:

- Interpret the value of Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) and the ACE Military Evaluations process.
- Identify the practices and policies for awarding PLA across Colorado institutions.
- Discover and use the resources available to the higher education community.
- Determine strategies to support the PLA initiatives across the state.

Colorado Rises

Master Plan

Colorado Commission
on Higher Education

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66%
by 2025

HB 17-1004: Institutional Policy

By January 1, 2018 each governing board of a public college or university shall adopt a PLA policy for awarding GT Pathways credit for learning acquired in the military. The policy must require each campus to:

- (a) Use the American Council on Education's (ACE) recommendations, among other factors, to conduct this evaluation; and
- (b) Provide specific guidance (pro-active advising) to military and veteran students in optimizing the use of PLA to accelerate students' time to completion.

Thank You!

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