Learning Beyond the Classroom
You may acquire college-level learning outside the traditional classroom, including:

- On-the-job and independent learning
- Military service
- Volunteer or community service
- Corporate training

MWCC offers three viable pathways for you to pursue college credit for such experience.

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Transfer Credit Evaluation

TRANSFER
- Provide an official copy of all previous college transcripts
- Eligible credits will be transferred into your MWCC program
- Visit www2.acenet.edu to contact the American Council on Education (ACE) if:
  - You are military personnel seeking a Joint Services Transcript evaluation
  - You have professional certifications

MILITARY
- Request an official copy of your Joint Services Transcript (www2.acenet.edu) or Community College of the Air Force transcript (https://jst.doded.mil)
- Active military personnel can take the CLEP and DSST exams free of charge

SEND ALL TRANSCRIPTS TO:
MWCC, 444 Green St., Gardner, MA 01440

Credit by Examination

CLEP (COLLEGE-LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM)
- Demonstrate prior learning and field-based knowledge
- No prerequisites, age restrictions, or degree requirements
- Administered through Testing Services at the Gardner campus
- Retake if needed after a six-month waiting period
- Registration fee: $25 (cash or check)
- Testing fee: $80 (Visa, MasterCard, check, or money order)
- All fees are due on exam day - financial aid does not apply

DSST (DANTES SUBJECT STANDARDIZED TESTS)
Available to candidates seeking credit for a degree in Business Administration, Criminal Justice, General Studies or Human Services
- Registration fee: $25 (cash or check)
- Testing fee: $80 (Visa, MasterCard, check, or money order)
- All fees are due on exam day - financial aid does not apply

COURSE SPECIFIC CHALLENGE EXAMS
- Obtain a 73% or better score on course specific challenge exams in a particular subject area developed and scored by college faculty
- Equivalent in scope and content to the final examination for the selected course
- Cost is dependent on the course - financial aid does not apply
- Not all courses offer challenge exams

Note: Students with disabilities receive reasonable accommodations, but must present documentation to MWCC counselors for disabilities at least two weeks before testing. For more information, contact Testing Services at 978-630-9244.

ePortfolio Evaluation
- Meet with the Experiential Advisor to determine if the ePortfolio course is a viable option
- Earn up to 9 credits of prior learning credit by compiling evidence that you have mastered content taught in an MWCC course
- Credit granted by the faculty recommendation
- Financial aid is applicable for the course, but not for the evaluation

3 Students who intend to transfer prior learning credit accepted at MWCC will need to have each course evaluated by the transferring institution with the exception of CLEP, DSST, and ACE evaluated military credit.
4 Prices are subject to change

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Ready to get started?
Stop by our Gardner campus Monday–Thursday at 3pm for a campus tour
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