

# Credit by Examination for Life Experience External Examination

## ROWAN UNIVERSITY POLICY

**Title:** *Credit by Examination for Life Experience, External Examination*

**Subject:** *Academic Affairs*

**Policy No:** *AA: 2017:04*

**Applies:** University-Wide

**Issuing Authority:** *Sr. Vice President and Provost*

**Responsible Officer:** Deans

**Adopted:**

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### I. PURPOSE

The purpose for this policy is to outline the University's position regarding the assignment of credit based upon external evaluations.

### II. ACCOUNTABILITY

Under direction of the Provost, all Deans and Department Chairs shall implement this policy and all faculty shall ensure compliance with the policy.

### III. APPLICABILITY

This policy is applicable to all students of Rowan University.

### IV. POLICY

#### 1. Undergraduate

- a. The University recognizes tests by external assessment agencies, e.g., College Level Examination Placement (CLEP), Advanced Placement, IB, etc. Assignment of credit based upon external evaluation is considered as transfer credit.
- b. Credit assessments made by Thomas Edison State University or Rowan's internal prior learning assessment\*\* are accepted and posted as transfer credit.
- c. Credit assessments made by the American Council on Education are evaluated in the same manner as traditional transfer credit, and, if accepted, posted as transfer credit.
- d. While there is no limit on the *total* of non-traditional credits applied to a degree, there *are* the following limits on bulk/batch credit for the groups listed below and similar groups, with final determination made between the Registrar, Academic Affairs, and the appropriate academic department:
  - i. Military credits through Joint Services transcripts (limits determined by associated Rowan academic departments)
  - ii. Police, fire, EMT/EMS training/academies (limits determined by associated Rowan academic departments)
  - iii. RN students (30 s.h. limit for the RN license and individual credit beyond 30 from 4-year institutions will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the academic department)

#### 2. Graduate

- a. Graduate-level credit by examination policy & procedures can be found in the Graduate & Post-baccalaureate student policies guide via Rowan Global Learning & Partnership [www.rowanu.com/academic-resources/graduate-policies](http://www.rowanu.com/academic-resources/graduate-policies).
3. This policy is currently under Senate APP review as of 04/18/2019 and is considered an interim policy pending approval.