

Special Credits

In addition to the accredited courses listed in this catalog in the section "Curricula and Courses" (p. 40). Quincy University will accept a combined total of 40 semester hours of credit from nontraditional sources. The following credit opportunities are available.

Advanced Placement Program (AP)

The University participates in the Advanced Placement Program and grants credit for courses in which grades of 4 or 5 have been earned. A grade of 3 is acceptable in some cases. The credit granted varies by department or discipline by score achieved; students should inquire of the Office of the Registrar or Office of Admissions concerning the application of scores to credit hours by subject matter.

College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

The University will grant credit through CLEP in certain general and subject areas to a maximum of 30 semester hours. The University does not accept credit through CLEP for the general examinations in English Composition, Humanities, Mathematics, or Natural Sciences or for subject examinations in any area of English, American, or World Literature. A score in the 50th percentile is the minimum accepted in any discipline but some disciplines require a higher score to receive credit. Students should inquire of the Office of Admissions or the Office of the Registrar regarding what CLEP scores are accepted.

Credit by Examination

Quincy University grants credit for college-level academic competence as proved by acceptable performance in written examinations. Students may petition through the Vice President for Academic Affairs for faculty-prepared proficiency examinations. Credit by examination is not permitted for a course when a student already has earned university credit for more advanced courses in the same area nor after a student has begun classes in the course which the examination is designed to evaluate.

Credit for Academically Related Experience (CARE)

Quincy University grants credit in certain cases for practical or life experiences which can be related to the academic emphasis of a regular curriculum of the University. These experiences may be off-campus but are evaluated by these criteria:

1. The experience should relate to a regular course or equate with academic experience.
2. The experience must be verified and documented.
3. The experience must be one which has produced a recognizable competence in the applicant.
4. The credit granted for experience is not applicable to residency requirements nor to the 56 hours required at a 4-year institution except for the Professional Degree Programs. See Residency Requirements, p. 10.
5. The credit must be totally separate from any practicum or internship experience for which credit has been granted.
6. The limit for CARE credit ordinarily is 12 hours. Petitions for CARE credit are submitted to the Academic Affairs Office. They are then reviewed by the CARE Credit Committee and the Vice President for Academic Affairs who determine the amount of credit to be granted (normally no more than 3 credits per experience).

Language Placement Tests

Students who test into advanced language courses may petition the Registrar to receive up to 6 hours of lower language course credit after completing the advanced course with a "C" or better.

Military Credit

Students who have been on active duty in the military will be granted three hours of elective physical education credit for their service. Students need to submit valid discharge paperwork from the military to the Registrar's Office to receive this credit.

Pre-College Credit Programs

The University awards credit for up to 30 hours of coursework at high schools through pre-college, deferred-credit or escrow

programs. The student must submit an official college transcript. A grade of "C" or better is required to receive credit.