



# Credit for Prior Learning

Turn your real-world experience into college credit

## WHAT IS CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING?

A way to receive college credit for non-academic learning.

## WHO IS IT FOR?

Adult learners with 5+ years of professional experience and enrolled in the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies.

## HOW MANY CREDITS CAN I EARN?

Earn 1 credit for enrolling in and completing IDST 452. By submitting a professional expertise portfolio, you may be able to earn up to 6 credits in IDST 455. These credits are not guaranteed; however, the goal of IDST 452 is to prepare you to successfully receive credit.

## HOW MUCH DOES THIS COST\*?

You will pay for the 1-credit IDST 452 course, but the 1-6 IDST 455 credits are awarded at no tuition cost\*.

\*Non-tuition \$30 per credit administrative fee applies.

## WHO SHOULD I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION?

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## WHAT IS THE PROCESS?

- 1** **Talk to your advisor** to determine your eligibility.
- 2** **Enroll in IDST 452**, where you will develop a portfolio that reflects on and documents your previous experiences.
- 3** **Submit your portfolio** to a panel of faculty for assessment.
- 4** **Earn up to 6 credits** in IDST 455, depending on how many competencies you choose to pursue, along with the faculty panel's assessment.



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