



Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) – Am I a Good Candidate? Learner Self-Evaluation

APU PLA Program information:

https://www.apu.apus.edu/academic/degrees-and-programs/pla.html

A. Basic Eligibility

- 1. I am a fully matriculated, active student (I completed the APUS application and orientation process, possess a student ID number, am taking a class, and are not on program hold or disenrolled).

Yes [] No []

- 2. APUS evaluated all my previous academic experience (My TCE has been completed).

Yes [] No []

- 3. PLA is a writing-intensive process; are you confident in your writing abilities?

Yes [] No []

- 4. I currently have a minimum of a 2.0 GPA to date.

Yes [] No []

- 5. I have not applied for graduation

Yes [] No []

- 6. I am not registered for my senior seminar course.

Yes [] No []

B. Additional Qualifications

- 1. I have not received college credit for this prior learning.

Yes [] No []

- 2. I have been in the workforce for at least five years after high school.

Yes [] No []

- 3. I can relate my prior experiential learning to a specific APUS course. (Consider what you have learned from your jobs, professional training,

Note: You must answer "yes" to all questions in section A to be eligible to participate in the APUS PLA program. If you respond "yes" to questions in sections B and C, you are likely a good candidate for PLA.

Email PLA@apus.edu with your student ID and the answer to your challenge question or your last four for more information and an application. Please note that all learners must be pre-approved to participate in PLA. PLA credit award is based on demonstration of mastery of learning outcomes through experiential learning, NOT on years of service or level of experience in a field.

participation in community service or other volunteer organizations, your pursuit of hobbies and special interests, etc.).

Yes [] No []

C. To help you answer this question, refer to your degree path/Academic Plan and review the course description on the APUS website for the course listed.

- 1. I can document my learning.

Yes [] No []

- a. Examples of appropriate documentation include, but are not limited to, the following:
b. Samples of your work
c. Job descriptions
d. Awards and commendations
e. Descriptions of requirements for licenses and certificates
f. Certificates of attendance and notes were taken in training courses
g. Transcripts
h. Annotated bibliography
i. Letters of verification from employers or others with first-hand knowledge of your abilities
j. Proof of membership in professional or trade organizations

- 2. My learning can be applied in situations other than the one in which it was acquired.

Yes [] No []

- 3. A subject matter expert should be able to validate my learning.

Yes [] No []