Mapping Credit for Prior Learning

Insights from a Power BI Dashboard

What is Credit for Prior Learning?

Council for Adult and Experiential Learning Definition

Credit for Prior Learning

What is typically considered Credit for Prior Learning?

Any education or credit outside a traditional academic environment.

- Exams

- Portfolio or other individualized assessment

- Evaluation of noncollege and noncredit programs

- Advanced Placement and Dual Credit

Credit for Prior Learning

What is UTSA considers Credit for Prior Learning?

- ***Credit by Competency***: CPL credit awarded for IS 1403, IS 1413, and competency exams.

- ***Credit by Exam***: CPL credit awarded for passing national examinations, such as the College Level Examination Program (CLEP).

- ***Military Credit***: CPL credit awarded for military experience or training obtained at institutions like the Defense Language Institute or Air University, as well as through DANTES.

- ***Other***: CPL credit awarded for reasons not specified above.

Why Track CPL?

Leadership Challenges & Student Benefits

Texas Legislature: Reduce Time and Cost to Degree

Some of the measures the Texas legislature mandates

- Texas Administrative Code 22 TAC § 221.3 – recognize CPL for Advanced Practice Registered Nurse licensure

- Texas House Bill C.S.H.B. 269 mandates the award of course credit for military service

- Texas Education Code 51.968 requires institutions to award credit for prior learning through standardized exams, including the College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

University Leadership: Reduce Time and Cost to Degree

UT San Antonio's Goals

- ***Broaden CPL offerings*** as part of a university-wide credential expansion effort.

- ***Align CPL pathways with workforce and market needs***, ensuring that students can leverage industry-recognized skills.

- ***Create more flexible, accessible pathways that shorten time to degree***, particularly for working adults.

- ***Improve career outcomes*** by recognizing competencies students already possess.

- ***Track impact*** by analyzing CPL on Student, Awarded Degree, Student College, and College of Instruction.

The CPL Dashboard

Getting into the numbers

Where and How to get the Data

Banner and Friends

- *Explore* Registrar's Banner Tables indicating any credit awarded not by a UTSA class.

- *Verify* with UTSA's Assessment Center and the Registrar's Office what each credit type is and where it comes from.

- *Flag Errors* so they can be fixed: Often, data that is not used frequently and requires manual entry will have erroneous records.

The tables used are SHRTRCR, SHRTRIT, STVSBGI, SHRTRCE, SHRTRAM, SHRGRDE, SHRDGMR, IR_DEPT_COLL (x-walk), SORFOLK, SPBPERS, and GORPRAC

The Dashboard Process

Data delivery! Where do you want me to put it?

- ***Meet*** with stakeholders so that the categories are useful to gain insight.

- ***Get feedback*** from the IR Team and stakeholders.

- ***Build*** the dashboard.

- ***Rinse, repeat until well done!***
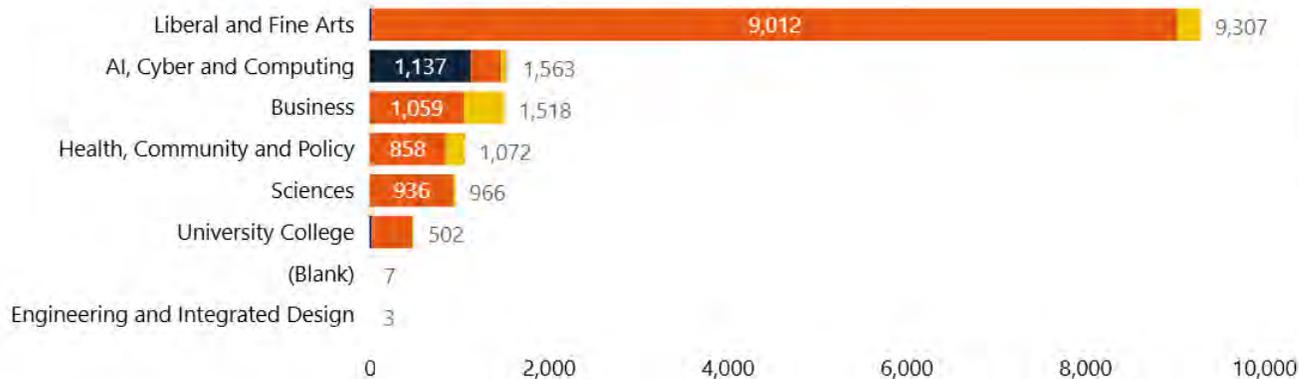
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Credit for Prior Learning Overview

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Academic Year

All ∨

Type of Credit

All ∨

Credit Description

All ∨

Credited Course

All ∨

College of Instruction

All ∨

Department of Instruction

All ∨

Student College

All ∨

Student Department

All ∨

Student Program

All ∨

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Total Credit Awarded

14,938

Total Credit Awarded by Academic Year

Academic Year	Value
2021-2022	3,467
2022-2023	3,636
2023-2024	2,992
2024-2025	3,293
2025-2026	1,550

Total Credit Awarded by Type

Type	Value
Credit by Exam	12,652
Credit by Competen...	1,194
Military Credit	1,035
Other	57

Course	Credit Type	Credit Description	Semester	Degree sought	Stud
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Spring 2026	BA in Psychology	Health, Comm
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Fall 2025	BBA in Cyber Security	AI, Cyber and
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Fall 2025	BBA in Finance	Business
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Fall 2024	BBA in Intended Major: BUSA	University Col
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Fall 2024	BBA in Management	Business
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Fall 2023	BBA in Cyber Security	AI, Cyber and
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ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Fall 2023	BS in Kinesiology	Health, Comm
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ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Spring 2023	BBA in Accounting	Business
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Spring 2023	BBA in Marketing	Business
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Spring 2023	BBA in Real Estate Finance and Development	Business
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Spring 2023	BS in Intended Major: CS	University Col
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Fall 2022	BBA in Actuarial Science	Business
ACC 2013: Principles of Accounting I	Credit by Exam	CLEP Credit	Fall 2022	BBA in Cyber Security Online	AI, Cyber and

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Credit for Prior Learning by College

UTSA

SCH by College of Instruction

● Credit by Competency ● Credit by Exam ● Military Credit ○ Other

College	Value	Total
Liberal and Fine Arts	9,012	9,307
AI, Cyber and Computing	1,137	1,563
Business	1,059	1,518
Health, Community and Policy	858	1,072
Sciences	936	966
University College		502
(Blank)		7
Engineering and Integrated Design		3

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Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) shown here by the college that would have taught the accredited course.

(Blank) are courses that were not able to be matched to courses taught.

SCH by Student College of Record

● Credit by Competency ● Credit by Exam ● Military Credit ○ Other

College	Competency	Exam	Military	Total
Health, Community and Policy	354	3,313		3,773
Business		2,259	382	2,770
Liberal and Fine Arts	333	2,103		2,543
AI, Cyber and Computing		1,545	211	1,885
University College		1,272		1,572
Sciences		1,102		1,161
Engineering and Integrated Design		907		1,067
Education and Human Development		137		
No College		30		

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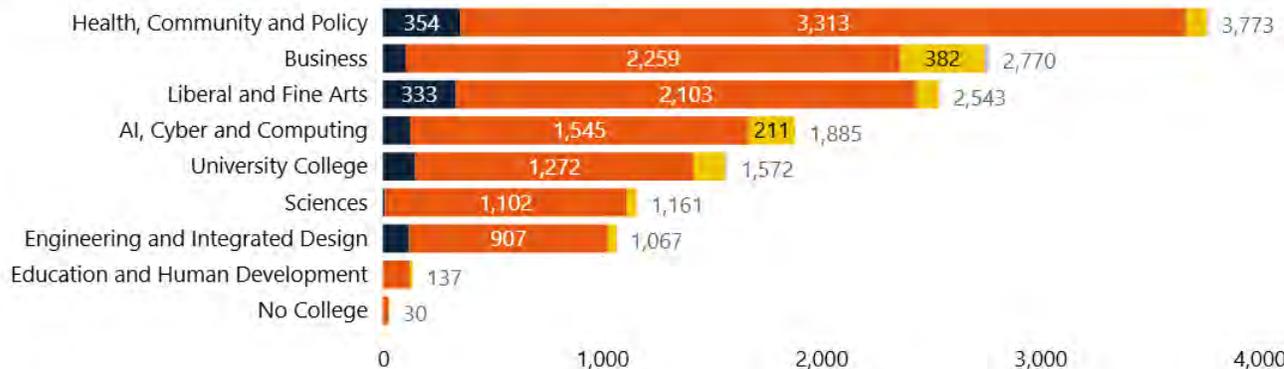
Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) shown here by the college of the student's primary major at the time CPL was earned. See methodology for details.

Filters (left panel)

- Academic Year — All ⌄
- Type of Credit — All ⌄
- Credit Description — All ⌄
- Credited Course — All ⌄
- College of Instruction — All ⌄
- Department of Instruction — All ⌄
- Student College — All ⌄
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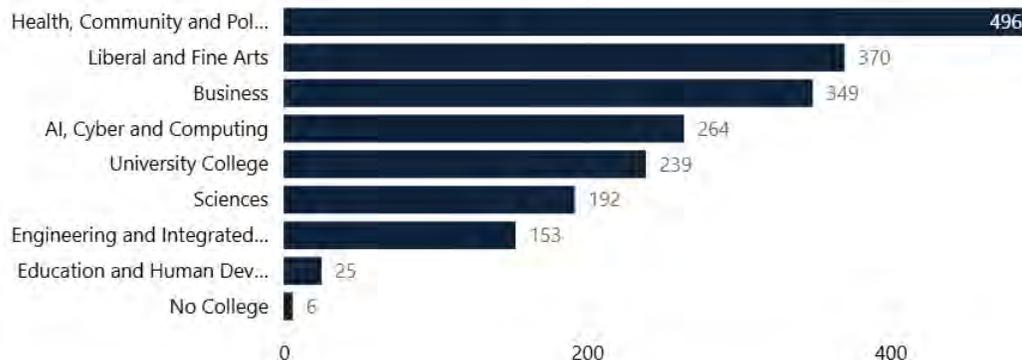- Student Program — All ⌄

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Students with CPL Credit

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Students with CPL by Student College

College	Count
Health, Community and Pol...	496
Liberal and Fine Arts	370
Business	349
AI, Cyber and Computing	264
University College	239
Sciences	192
Engineering and Integrated...	153
Education and Human Dev...	25
No College	6

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Student by Class

Classification	Count	Percent
Freshman	255	12.22%
Sophomore	282	13.51%
Junior	378	18.11%
Senior	1,182	56.64%
Post baccalaureate	36	1.72%
Total	**2,087**	**100.00%**

Slicers (left panel)

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- Credited Course — All ⌄
- Student College — All ⌄
- Student Department — All ⌄
- Student Program — All ⌄

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Students by Race/Ethnicity

Race / Ethnicity	Count	Percent
Asian	105	5.03%
Black or African American	125	5.99%
Hispanic or Latino	1,294	62.00%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Only	6	0.29%
Two or More Races	66	3.16%
White	397	19.02%
International	68	3.26%
Unknown or Not Reported	26	1.25%
Total	**2,087**	**100.00%**

First Generation

First Generation	Count	Percent
First Generation	849	40.68%
Not First Generation	1,159	55.53%
Unknown	79	3.79%
Total	**2,087**	**100.00%**

Gender

Gender	Count	Percent
Male	973	46.62%
Female	1,114	53.38%
Total	**2,087**	**100.00%**

14,938
Total SCH Earned

3.26
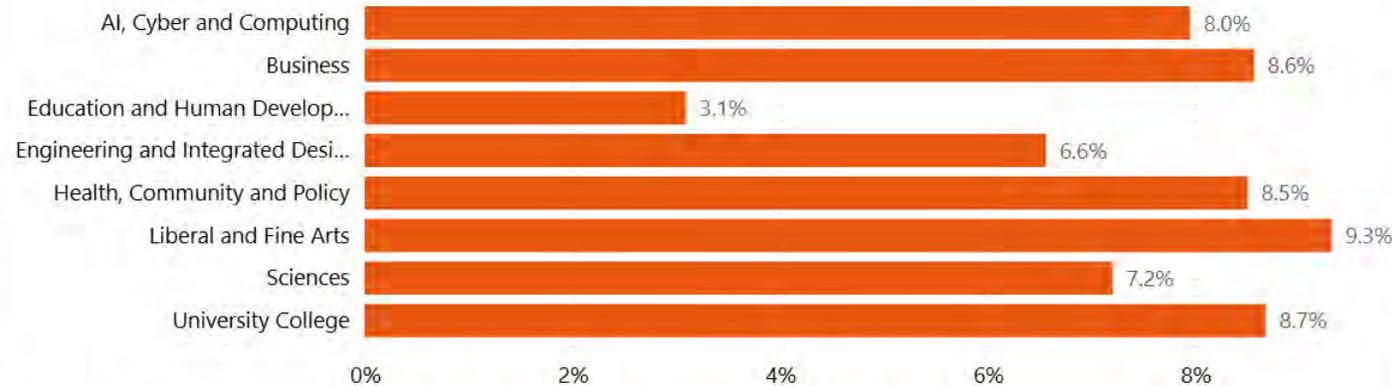Average SCH Earned

4,580
Total Courses

Note: Students are *de-duplicated* in the demographic tables, meaning each student is counted only once. However, in the College and Classification tables, students may appear more than once if they changed their major, college, or classification across different terms when they were awarded CPL credit.

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Degrees Awarded

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Academic Year

All ⌄

First Generation

All ⌄

Competency Credit

All ⌄

Exam Credit

All ⌄

Military Credit

All ⌄

Other Credit

All ⌄

Degree College

Education and Human Develop... ⌄

Degree Department

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Degrees Awarded

● Degrees Awarded ● Degrees AW - Students with CPL

	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Degrees Awarded	285	283	284	258	86
Degrees AW - Students with CPL	9	12	7	9	

Percent of Degrees Awarded with CPL

● Degrees with CPL ● Exam ● Military ● Competency

	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Degrees with CPL	3.2%	4.2%	2.5%	3.5%
Exam	2.8%	3.5%	2.1%	2.7%
Military	0.4%	1.1%	0.4%	0.8%

Number and Percent of Degrees Awarded with CPL, by Type

37	3.1%
CPL Degrees	CPL Degrees
31	2.6%
Exam	Exam
7	0.6%
Military	Military
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Competency	Competency

Note: Students can have more than one undergraduate degree. CPL credit received by one student with more than one undergraduate degree is counted more than once.

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Degrees Awarded by College

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Percent of Degrees with CPL Credit, by Degree College

College	Percent
AI, Cyber and Computing	8.0%
Business	8.6%
Education and Human Develop...	3.1%
Engineering and Integrated Desi...	6.6%
Health, Community and Policy	8.5%
Liberal and Fine Arts	9.3%
Sciences	7.2%
University College	8.7%

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Degrees with CPL

2,099
CPL Degrees

157
Competency

1,491
Exam

546
Military

8.2
Avg. SCH CPL Degree

6
Median SCH CPL

72
Max SCH CPL

8.0%
Degrees with CPL

17,191
Total CPL SCH

Percent of Degrees with CPL by Degree College and CPL Type

College ▲	Exam	Military	Competency
AI, Cyber and Computing	4.9%	3.4%	0.2%
Business	6.3%	2.8%	0.1%
Education and Human Development	2.6%	0.6%	
Engineering and Integrated Design	4.1%	1.9%	0.8%
Health, Community and Policy	6.3%	1.5%	0.9%
Liberal and Fine Arts	6.8%	1.6%	1.3%
Sciences	5.6%	1.7%	0.1%
Total	**5.7%**	**2.1%**	**0.6%**

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Note: This tab is showing the impact of CPL on degrees. Students can have more than one undergraduate degree. All CPL credit received up to graduation term are included and CPL credit received after the degree awarded are excluded. CPL credit received by one student with more than one undergraduate degree is counted more than once.
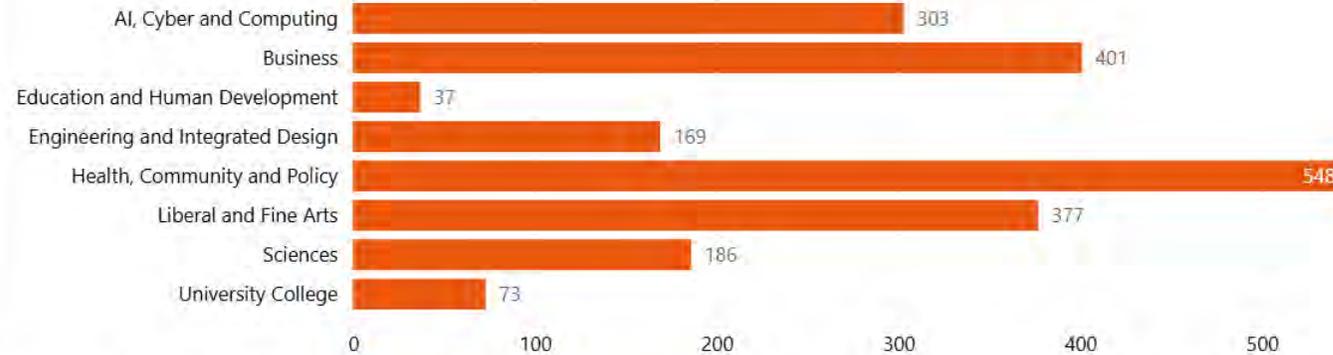
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Competency Credit
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Exam Credit
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CPL UG Graduate Demographics

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Academic Year
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First Generation
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Competency Credit
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Exam Credit
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Military Credit
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CPL Graduates by College

College	Count
AI, Cyber and Computing	303
Business	401
Education and Human Development	37
Engineering and Integrated Design	169
Health, Community and Policy	548
Liberal and Fine Arts	377
Sciences	186
University College	73

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Degrees with CPL

2,099 CPL Degrees

157 Competency

1,491 Exam

545 Military

8.2 Avg. SCH CPL Degree

6 Median SCH CPL

72 Max SCH CPL

2,099 Degrees with CPL

17,191 Total CPL SCH

Race / Ethnicity

Race / Ethnicity	Count	Percent
Asian	85	4.08%
Black or African American	129	6.19%
Hispanic or Latino	1,267	60.77%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Only	3	0.14%
Two or More Races	64	3.07%
White	464	22.25%
International	60	2.88%
Unknown or Not Reported	13	0.62%
Total	**2,085**	**100.00%**

First Generation

First Gen Status	Count	Percent
First Generation	949	45.52%
Not First Generation	1,096	52.57%
Unknown	40	1.92%
Total	**2,085**	**100.00%**

Gender

Gender	Count	Percent
Male	1,075	51.56%
Female	1,010	48.44%
Total	**2,085**	**100.00%**

Note: This tab shows the impact of CPL on degrees. Students are deduplicated in the lower tables but not in 'CPL Graduates by College,' where students with multiple majors in different colleges are counted more than once. Compare with 'Degrees with CPL' for differences. Values on the right are for all degrees.

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