Prior Learning Assessment can help you earn up to 60 college credits as a result of the learning you gained outside the traditional classroom setting. In addition to saving tuition dollars, you can complete your bachelor's degree in up to half the time. PLA awards Martin University credits for courses in which you demonstrate college-level learning. This includes but is not limited to: work history, military, and volunteer service, and other life experiences.

**WHAT IS PLA?**

Martin University acknowledges that adult learners bring with them lifelong knowledge that is equivalent to what would be learned in college courses and this knowledge can often be applied to a degree. Prior Learning Assessment (PLA), is a way to earn college credit for college-level knowledge you have attained outside the traditional college classroom. Adult learners can use our course catalog and browse our course descriptions to find courses that match the knowledge they already possess.

**HOW TO GET STARTED:**

- Obtain your degree plan and meet with your Admissions or Academic Advisor.
- Complete the PLA Pre-Assessment, "Am I a Good Candidate?" form.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

- **Enrollment in PLA**
  - Completion of Prior Learning Pre-Assessment – “Am I a Good Candidate?”
  - Completion of ENG 125 and ENG 135 or equivalents
  - Completion of CTE 150 or equivalent
  - GPA of 2.0 or above for current students
  - Demonstrated “college-comparable” prior learning in a volunteer or professional context

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