

PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT AND RECOGNITION APPLICATION

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) helps you demonstrate college-level learning acquired through past study, work and life experience. If this learning is assessed to be equivalent to the learning outcome for a specific Centennial College course, credit will be awarded. Before completing this PLAR application form, follow the '7 Steps to PLAR Credit' (refer to attached guidelines). These steps include researching the Centennial course for which you seek PLAR, and consulting with the subject expert about the assessment process and the timeframe for completion.

SHOULD YOU DECIDE TO APPLY FOR PLAR, YOU MUST:

- Complete sections 1, 2 and 3, then present this application form to Enrolment Services along with your non-refundable per-course application fee. You will receive a payment receipt. Remember, registrarial staff will not process your application unless the fee accompanies this application.
- Take responsibility for completing the PLAR assessment within 120 days following your application. If you do not complete the required assessment within the deadline, your PLAR candidacy becomes null and void.

1. ABOUT YOURSELF

Have you ever been a student at Centennial? Yes No If yes, please indicate: Day Evening

Student Number: ____|____|____| - ____|____|____| - ____|____|____|

Please identify the Diploma or Certificate Program you are taking/wish to complete _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Former Last Name (If Applicable): _____ Middle Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Telephone: (_____) _____ Daytime Telephone: (_____) _____

FAX: (_____) _____ Date of Birth: _____
Year Month Day

2. ABOUT THE CENTENNIAL COURSE FOR WHICH YOU SEEK PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT AND RECOGNITION – KINDLY USE ONE APPLICATION PER COURSE

COURSE NUMBER ie. EN-170	COURSE NAME ie. Reading and Writing Prose	NON-REFUNDABLE FEE	COLLEGE USE ONLY – DATE STAMP APPLICATION
_____	_____	_____	_____

3. SIGNATURE

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I acknowledge I have undertaken the necessary course research and have consulted with the appropriate subject expert regarding the PLAR process. I assume responsibility for completing the required PLAR assessment within 120 days. I accept that my PLAR fee is non-refundable. I understand that I am governed by Centennial College's Code of Conduct: Student Rights and Responsibilities.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

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GRADE ACHIEVED: _____ SCHOOL/DEPARTMENT: _____

ASSESSOR'S NAME: _____ ASSESSOR'S SIGNATURE: _____

ASSESSMENT METHOD USED: TEST INTERVIEW PORTFOLIO OTHER _____

DATE: _____ COMMENTS: _____

7 STEPS TO PRIOR LEARNING AND RECOGNITION (PLAR) CREDIT

It is important to follow these steps before applying for PLAR and paying the non-refundable PLAR fee.

1. Check the annual Calendar of Important Dates for critical deadlines if you are a full-time student and applying for PLAR credit. PLAR cannot be used after the 6th hour of class if you are enrolled in the course. You do not need to be enrolled in the course to use the PLAR option.
 2. Locate and read the course outline. Course outlines can be obtained from the Academic Department.
 3. Ask yourself the following questions:
 - Do I have the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes that are equivalent to the learning outcomes listed in the course outline?
 - Would I be willing and able to demonstrate to someone my knowledge, skills, values and attitudes contained in each learning outcome?
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If you continue to consider that PLAR is a good course credit option for you:

4. Prepare to describe briefly how your learning from life and work experience is similar to the course outcomes.
 5. Consult/call the PLAR contact person identified in the course outline or program outline.
 6. In your discussion with the PLAR contact/faculty/coordinator:
 - identify your readiness to use PLAR
 - determine when and how your learning will be assessed – a contract may be developed identifying date for challenge completion and the type of challenge process (e.g. interview, test, mini-portfolio, other).
 7. If you decide to use PLAR
 - Go to Enrolment Services, complete the PLAR Application form and pay the non-refundable PLAR fee.
 - Take the form with you when you complete the required course challenges. Faculty will need this form to record your grades.
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Form Delivery

The faculty assessor will provide you with feedback and forward the form with the grade to Enrolment Services.

Note: PLAR as a credit option is not an option for recently failed courses. Application for PLAR should be completed before classes begin or course enrolment. There may be specific times when PLAR challenges are available. The Student Rights and Responsibilities Code of Conduct and Procedures (The Code) applies to the candidates using Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition.