

Four and Two Year Public Institutions
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Clemson University: Roadblocks to making progress- sometimes faculty don't understand the rigorous process of an ACE evaluation and won't accept recommendations; when content owners don't want to consider equivalent credit; when students learn about the JST process too late to take advantage

Tools/strategies to overcome obstacles- Continuing training Associate Deans, Dept Chairs, and Advisors regarding ACE credit evaluations/recommendations; use substitutions when necessary/able to; address concerns about JST credit and accrediting boards, ensure proactive communication to students

Francis Marion University - Roadblocks that could prevent us from implementing policies to award academic credit is faculty not agreeing on what courses should be awarded. Plain elective credits could be awarded but may not necessarily apply to the major/degree. Tools or strategies to overcome these roadblocks could be comparing our learning outcomes from academic courses to the learning outcomes of MPL. It could also be helpful to be able to see how other 4-year institutions are awarding MCPL. Having a one-stop shop for students could also be useful.

Francis Marion University - Additional information or support needed to help improve student success outcomes could involve faculty and staff becoming familiar with ACE recommendations and establishing a guide of equivalencies that can apply to multiple majors. This guide of information can be distributed to students during the Admissions process.

Student Support & Outreach

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Lander University:
-ACE Training for faculty
-Information for other offices that might be involved in the process
-Roadblocks: faculty, other offices not understanding. We do not currently require the JST & have a hard time making this a requirement so not all students even know they need to submit it

Question to group from Clemson University: Has anyone been through a VA compliance survey where the auditor asked to see documentation of credit for prior learning evaluation, to include JST evaluation documentation?

@University of SC - especially interested in your answer here!

USC - we need to establish evaluators in each college.
we need to work with ACE to merge the workflows of ACE and TES

Citadel- As the Veteran student population grows through the day program, faculty and support staff will really benefit in gaining a basic understanding of military jargon to support student questions about JST credit and military experience for credit.

Roadblocks- having a standard reference tool that indicates what courses/subjects that JST can equvalate to. For example, can JST Technical Communications be equivalent to COMM XXX through all SC institutions?

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Winthrop University:
(1) training for faculty and staff; standard process (2) right now, most credit ends up being elective credit; it would help to have a process that allows students to earn credit for major, minor, and/or gen ed requirements

USC CAS - when I have a military student with Prior Learning, our transfer table needs to be easier to access - to be able to search by year and not just the MOS or the title. So many of the courses have been loaded just as MILT and not articulated in trying to go in and get them articulated is a major headache. Need to have an ACE training session for all of our military articulation folks. We need to set up one person in college to handle all military articulations that understand the military and its jargon.

College of Charleston: : We have an ACE elvaluator and need to work with faculty to coordinate how to increase number of JST courses that we accept and how

More data about what other schools do for giving credit from JST to general education credits to assist in sharing a general education transfer policy/ approach

Clemson University: Additional Resources Needed- We need to update university websites (outside of M&VE); tailor communications within Admissions process, create one credit for prior learning policy with the JST process embedded (dream), and ask academic advisors to share and advocate for the current JST process

CCU Question 1 - Support from Deans to allow for CPL. Begin with a few courses that will transfer smoothly every time the course comes in Set standard equivs for JST courses ACT training for all those involved Credit evals from others schools

CCU Question 2 - Having someone to take the lead and start the process Having everyone on the same page (registrar, admissions, VS, Deans)

Select one person to take over Have that person set it up with ACT and schedule trainings with all those involved

Frequently assessed courses from JST/CCAF should be added to transfer table as all courses they are equivalent to.

Enough Faculty trained on JST/CCAF and ACE guidelines.

More education is required on military education and training as well as practice after training.

Benedict College BEST Lives Center- Training Support Defined Processes

Being able to uniformly evaluate each case, recognition of certain courses, more training

Technical Colleges

Hello!

GTC: New Emerging moving to ACE Military Guide

TCL: A mix between the middle and effective

Articulation with DoD for prior learning.

ACE updated the Military Guide to include better tracking of prior approved credits.

Getting an easy way to get from the JST to the ACE Military Guide to enter in the students record.

YTC: New Emerging

MTC: We are in the same situation with Jamerson Magwood

More marketing communication/ media outreach

Would like an approved list from SC Tech using AC Military Guide

Misunderstanding of the JST and what it really is. Faculty does not understand that most training is hard than the class itself.



YTC - Yes, agree

Michelle Cannon is our point of contact for Military Credits

Fickle Faculty: will approved credit for one but not the next. Once approved should be approved across the board.

Not having programs that match the course material on the JST

April is Military Month (Month of the Military Child)

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Independent Colleges and Universities

Idea to support SCICU institutions:
Virtual panel with Limestone and other institutions to learn of policies/processes and garnering support from campus partners and colleagues (specific to independent colleges)

AU: Hired new Dir of VA and Special Projects. This has opened up more opportunities for learning and reaching new veterans and families of veterans. I'd like to see more opportunities to reach out to potential students.

Challenge:
Independent colleges are often behind their public/technical counterparts in terms of developing these policies and procedures, so oftentimes the larger panel discussions/presentations are not always applicable to our institutions- can sometimes be more overwhelming than helpful

Working on new ideas and improvements.

Michelle Wood

AU Roadblocks:
Chairs/Deans not being as open to award specific credit.

What stage of the CPL Matrix is your institution?

I think we are in the developing stage or in between.

Michelle Wood
Charleston Southern University

AU: I would say that we are in the Developing/Emerging stage, but working toward better policies.

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