PLA Credit Recommendation Guide
Evaluation Summary for Information Technology (IT) Certifications

The University of Arizona Global Campus (UAGC) recognizes the uniqueness of each student's experience and realizes learning takes place in a variety of environments. The UAGC Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) program provides a means for awarding credit to students who bring college-level learning experiences acquired outside of a traditional university classroom setting, and which do not carry national testing program, American Council on Education (ACE), and/or National College Credit Recommendation Service (NCCRS) credit recommendation(s).

Specific IT certifications and trainings have been evaluated by the PLA Department and credit recommendations have been determined. These recommendations are based on the training as taught when this guide was developed and do not constitute a guarantee that credit will be awarded. Students must follow the Sponsored Professional Training submission process and request an official review. Faculty provide final approval for any transferrable credit. Previous/future versions of each training may carry different credit recommendations.

Students may pursue their academic and professional goals through a variety of degree programs at UAGC. For additional information on UAGC degree programs, please visit our website.

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CISCO CERTIFICATION TITLE	THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA GLOBAL CAMPUS AREA OF RECOMMENDATION	SEMESTER CREDIT RECOMMENDATION
CISCO CERTIFIED NETWORK ASSOCIATE (CCNA)	TEC 101 FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & LITERACY; OR INF 325 TELECOMMUNICATIONS & NETWORKING CONCEPTS	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CISCO CERTIFIED INTERNETWORK EXPERT (CCIE)	TEC 101 FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & LITERACY AND; INF 325 TELECOMMUNICATIONS & NETWORKING CONCEPTS	3 UD 3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 6)

CompTIA CERTIFICATION TITLE	THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA GLOBAL CAMPUS AREA OF RECOMMENDATION	SEMESTER CREDIT RECOMMENDATION
CompTIA A+	TEC 101 FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & LITERACY; OR INF 220 IS PRINCIPLES	3 LD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA CASP+	CST 316 INFORMATION SECURITY MANAGEMENT; OR CYB 302 SECURE WEB APPLICATIONS & SOCIAL NETWORKING; OR CYB 402 COMPUTER FORENSICS	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA CLOUD+	ELECTIVE	3 LD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA CLOUD ESSENTIALS+	ELECTIVE	3 LD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA CTT+	INT 303 HUMAN COMPUTER INTERACTION	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA CYBERSECURITY ANALYST (CySA+)	CYB 101 DEFENSIVE NETWORK RECONNAISSANCE	3 LD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA DATA+	CPT 310 DATABASE SYSTEMS & MANAGEMENT; OR INF 322 DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)

CompTIA CERTIFICATION TITLE	THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA GLOBAL CAMPUS AREA OF RECOMMENDATION	SEMESTER CREDIT RECOMMENDATION
CompTIA DATASYS+	CPT 310 DATABASE SYSTEMS & MANAGEMENT; OR INF 322 DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA IT FUNDAMENTALS (ITF+)	TEC 101 FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & LITERACY; AND TEC 100 COMPUTER LITERACY	3 LD 3 LD (TOTAL CREDITS: 6)
CompTIA LINUX+	ELECTIVES	3 LD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA NETWORK+	INT 301 COMPUTER NETWORKING; OR INF 325 TELECOMMUNICATIONS & NETWORKING CONCEPTS	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA PENTEST+	CYB 102 NETWORK PENETRATION TESTING – BREACHING DEFENSES	3 LD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA PROJECT+	PRM 300 INTRODUCTION TO PROJECT MANAGEMENT	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA SERVER+	CPT 304 OPERATING SYSTEMS THEORY & DESIGN	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)
CompTIA SECURITY+	CYB 301 INTRODUCTION TO CYBER & DATA SECURITY TECHNOLOGY	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)

MISC CERTIFICATION TITLE	THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA GLOBAL CAMPUS AREA OF RECOMMENDATION	SEMESTER CREDIT RECOMMENDATION
GIAC CERTIFIED INCIDENT HANDLER (GCIH)	CYB 401 RISK MANAGEMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE; AND CYB 402 COMPUTER FORENSICS	3 UD 3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 6)
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE LIBRARY (ITIL)	ELECTIVES	1 LD (TOTAL CREDITS: 1)
PROFESSIONAL SCRUM MASTER I (PSM I)	TGM 300 SCRUM BASICS	3 UD (TOTAL CREDITS: 3)

UD = Upper Division, LD = Lower Division
Credit recommendation shown is the maximum number of credits students may apply for, when PLA credit may fulfill a remaining requirement for graduation.
Credit may only be applied to the same degree level (undergraduate, graduate) as the credit recommendation.

Student Eligibility for PLA

Students are eligible to apply for PLA credit upon full admission into a UAGC undergraduate or eligible master's degree program. PLA credit may only be pursued when approval of PLA credits will fulfill unique remaining requirement(s) for graduation for the student.

Students are responsible for:

- Discussing PLA with their Academic Advisor.
- Reviewing the PLA Information Center located in the Student Portal.
- Submitting the required documentation.
- Submitting a PLA Sponsored Professional Training Credit Review Application.

Transfer Provisions

The transferability of credits is subject to the University of Arizona Global Campus transfer credit policies and requires the submission of official transcripts. The official transcripts will be evaluated by the Office of the Registrar to determine the credits that will officially apply toward a UAGC degree program. PLA credit may be pursued once the official transcript evaluation is complete. Credits must be earned at the same degree level in order to be applied. The PLA option is not available to non-degree seeking students or to students in specific graduate degree programs. Additional restrictions may apply. See the UAGC Academic Catalog for full undergraduate and graduate transfer policies. For additional information on UAGC transfer options, please visit: https://www.uagc.edu/admissions/transferring.