**Earning Credit**

The College may award credits through a variety of mechanisms, such as those listed below. Credits received through alternative methods will count towards graduation requirements, but will not count in GPA calculations, towards credit completion calculations for financial aid status, nor towards the 15 credits that are required to be taken at the College in order to earn a degree or certificate.

1. Courses taken from other regionally accredited institutions of higher education shall be evaluated for transfer credit based on their alignment with College courses and with generally accepted state or national standards;

2. Credits may be earned by successfully completing approved examinations with course equivalencies, also known as test-outs;

3. Credits may be earned by proving competency in a given course through a method approved by College administration and faculty, such as by obtaining an industry certification aligned with a course’s learning outcomes;

4. Credits may be earned by taking approved high school-level courses in which a current articulation agreement exists between the College and the secondary institution; and,

5. Other formal education and training, such as military training, may also be considered for college credit based upon their alignment with College courses and with generally accepted national standards.