Alternative College Credit

Non-Accredited Transfer Credit

Students with college credit from an institution of higher education not accredited by the Southern Association, New England Association, North Central Association, Northwest Association, Middle States Association, or Western Association may submit their transcripts for evaluation. Generally courses taken from a non-accredited institution will count neither as a general education core requirement nor an elective at FPC. Students, however, may still petition their requests by completing the form for "Non-Accredited Transfer Credit." Students are encouraged to notify their academic advisors as soon as possible to process their requests. The Vice President for Academic Affairs will have the final authority in approving credit from non-accredited institutions of higher education.

Credit by Exam

Frank Phillips College offers students an opportunity to earn college credit by examination. Students must petition for credit through the Office of Educational Services. Credit earned through examination will be placed on the student's permanent record when the number of hours earned in residence equals the number of credits earned by examination. Course credit will be listed on the student's transcript along with the course number, title, and the grade "CE." A footnote will indicate that the credit was obtained by examination. Credit will not be awarded for any exams taken more than five years prior to a student's enrollment at Frank Phillips College.

Complete information concerning the program of credit by examination may be obtained through the Director of Counseling, Testing and Career Services. Students intending to transfer should contact the transfer institution regarding alternative college credit as each institution determines its policy individually and may not accept alternative college credit from another institution.

Armed Forces Credit

Frank Phillips College may award credit for military experience and training. Credit may be awarded when learning achieved through military experiences is consistent with the educational objectives of the student and the requirements of the curriculum. Students who wish to obtain such credit must submit official documentation to the Office of Educational Services.

Advanced Placement (AP)

The College Board Advanced Placement (AP) Program examinations are offered in participating secondary schools. Frank Phillips College may accept AP test scores for comparable course work within an academic discipline. Credit may be granted for a score of three or above. The student is responsible for forwarding an official report from Educational Testing Services (ETS) to the Office of Educational Services.

Minimum Scores for AP Credit

FPC Course	AP Test	Score
Biology 1406 General Biology I	Biology	3-5
BIOL 1407 General Biology II	Biology	4-5
CHEM 1405 Introductory Chemistry I	Chemistry	3-5
CHEM 1407 Introductory Chemistry II	Chemistry	4-5
ECON 2301 Economic Principles Macro-Economics	Principles of Macro Economics	4
ECON 2302 Economic Principles Micro-Economics	Principles of Micro Economics	4
ENGL 1301 Composition I **OR**	English Language & Composition English Literature & Composition	3 or 4 3 or 4
ENGL 1302 Composition II **OR**	English Language & Composition English Literature & Composition	4 4
ENGL 2332 World Literature I *Provided student has earned credit for Composition I and II through the English Language & Composition score of 4	English Literature & Composition	3*
ENGL 2333 World Literature II *Provided student has earned credit for Composition I and II through the English Language & Composition score of 4	English Literature & Composition	4*
GOVT 2305 Federal Government	US Government & Politics	3
HIST 1301 United States History I	US History	3-5
HIST 1302 United States History II	US History	4-5
MATH 2312 Pre-Calculus	Calculus AB	4
MATH 2412 Pre-Calculus	Calculus BC	4

MATH 2413 Calculus I	Calculus BC	4
PHYS 1415 Physical Science I	Physics B	3-5
PHYS 1417 Physical Science II	Physics B	4-5
PSYC 2301 General Psychology	Psychology	3
SPAN 1411 Basic Spanish I	Spanish	3-5
SPAN 1412 Basic Spanish II	Spanish	4-5

Credit for Experience

Credit will be awarded for learning achieved through experience outside typical educational settings when it is consistent with the educational objectives of the student, the requirements of the curriculum, and the policy on granting credit for experience. Awarding of credit will be considered for the following experience:

- Students who have completed one year of active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and who have been discharged or released honorably may receive three semester hours of physical education credit. Students who wish to obtain this credit should submit an original copy of their DD-214 and/ or DD-2586 to the Office of Educational Services;
- Military training and experience;
- Professional certificates, licenses, and credentials such as FAA licenses, medical field licenses, etc.;
- Learning achieved through proprietary schools, apprenticeship, or other in-house training programs;
- Selected work experiences;
- Learning achieved through noncredit workshops, seminars, and conferences; and/ or
- Other experiences with appropriate documentation.

Students must be enrolled at the time they apply for credit. The credit, if awarded, must apply to the student's declared major. Students should:

- Contact the Vice President for Academic Affairs to answer questions and to assist with the request.
- Prepare application for credit by experience, identifying course petitioned for credit.
- Each application/portfolio must include a written justification by the student.
- Prepare portfolio documenting experience, which should include, but is not limited to the following:
    - Previous education related to course;
    - Previous work experience, military, etc. including dates, titles, job descriptions;

In-service training workshops, including dates, topics, certificates, or transcripts;
    - Professional certificates, licenses; and
    - Letter from employers, volunteer agencies, regulatory agencies supporting experience.
- Return application form to the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

The first three (3) credit hours for experience that are approved will be free. For any credits beyond the first three (3), students will be required to pay $10 per credit hour granted, which will be transcripted. Only credits that are approved as "credit for experience" will be charged a fee.

Students are to consult with their advisors regarding "credit for experience" and complete the application form. The Vice President for Academic Affairs will have the final authority in approving credit for experience.

College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)

Frank Phillips College accepts the subject examinations of the CLEP in most areas. Effective August 1, 2003, Frank Phillips College will grant credit on subject examinations with the following scores:

CLEP Subject Required	FPC Examination	Score Course
Accounting, Principles of	50	ACCT 2301 & 2302
American Government	50	GOVT 2305
Biology, General	50	BIOL 1406 & 1407
Calculus w/ Elementary Functions	50	MATH 2413 & 2414
Chemistry, General	50	CHEM 1411 & 1412
College Algebra	50	MATH 1314
English Literature	50	ENGL 2332 & 2333
Freshman College Composition	50	ENGL 1301
History of the United States I	50	HIST 1301
History of the United States II	50	HIST 1302
Macroeconomics, Principles of	50	ECON 2301
Microeconomics, Principles of	50	ECON 2302
Psychology, Introductory	50	PSYC 2301

Sociology, Introductory	50	SOCI 1301
Spanish Language, College Level	50	SPAN1411 & 1412
Trigonometry	50	MATH 1316

*****All CLEP required scores and hours granted are subject to revision.**