

## Prior Learning Assessment (PLA)

The Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (WSCJTC) in conjunction with Highline Community College (HCC) has formed an alliance to give those that have finished the Basic Law Enforcement Academy (BLEA) 20 college credits under the Prior Learning Assessment Program (PLA).

### What is PLA?

**Prior Learning Assessment** (PLA) is the process for awarding credit for learning that has taken place away from the college classroom.

- Credit may be awarded for work training, non-accredited classes, self-study, experience, and more.
- Credit can only be awarded for classes offered by Highline Community College.
- With faculty approval and guidance, students will demonstrate their competence in class content.
- The maximum credits that can be earned from PLA is 20 credits total.

### How

Scan and email a copy of your BLEA certificate to John Huber at [jhuber@highline.edu](mailto:jhuber@highline.edu). The completed request will appear on a transcript at the end of the quarter received. Payment is required prior to registration.

### Cost

Under the PLA program the cost for the 20 credits towards an Associates of Arts degree is \$555.00 Subject to change.

Link to the PLA website at Highline  
<http://pla.highline.edu/index.php>

## Grays Harbor College

The WSCJTC and Grays Harbor College has also entered into an articulation agreement that allows for college level credits for certain courses towards its Associates of Science Degree (AS), Associates of Applied Science-Transfer (AAS-T), Associates of Applied Science (AAS) and certificate of completion programs.

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Please contact the institutions listed for more information on these or other programs. Other colleges or Universities may have similar programs. Please contact each for their specific information and requirements.