

PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

## EARN AS MANY AS 60 CREDITS FOR WHAT YOU ALREADY KNOW . . . AND SAVE UP TO TWO YEARS!

As part of the <u>Prior Learning Assessment</u> (<u>PLA</u>) program at the MTSU University College, you have the opportunity to work with our academic professionals to review your transcripts, discuss your background and goals, and prepare an academic plan designed to help

you graduate as quickly as possible. If your prior training and experience qualifies, you could earn up to 60 hours of academic credit for what you already know. The evaluation allows you to understand exactly what you would need to finish your degree.

#### **PROFILES OF SUCCESS**



#### Melissa Rogers, University College, Class of 2021

After more than 17 years as a trucking company executive, Rogers earned her bachelor's degree in Integrated Studies with a concentration in leadership and administration. After being recommended to the PLA program by her advisor, she was able to apply 30 hours of elective credit toward her degree—that's the equivalent of 10 three-hour courses.

"My advisor recommended PLA to me. She took so much time to learn about me as a professional and not just an MTSU student. Getting those 30 hours put me on the fast track."



# Nicole Ford, University College, Class of 2021

As a business owner and busy mother of two, Ford knew that completing her bachelor's degree was important, not only for her business, but also for her kids. Although initially unsure of what she wanted to study, the <u>Integrated Studies</u> degree through University College allowed her to focus on two areas, continue working with online flexibility, and begin applying her new skills right away.

"It was perfect because I could choose between two areas of focus. I learned so much from both of those areas, and it's helped me grow as a professional."



## Julie Witt, University College, Class of 2022

When Witt, a mother of 11, decided to return to college, she knew it would be a challenge. But with the help of University College's PLA program, she was able to apply 28 credit hours toward her degree. Witt is now pursuing her passion for sign language and psychology as part of an <u>Integrated Studies</u> degree and is scheduled to graduate in spring 2022.

"Since I was able to get those credits under my belt, I feel awesome. This all happened a lot faster than I thought, and I'm so happy about it."

### WHY UNIVERSITY COLLEGE?

MTSU's University College is the right choice for busy adults because our degrees are designed to be fast and flexible. Both our Professional Studies and Integrated Studies degrees allow students to build custom programs tailored to their unique career goals, maximize credits already earned with the Prior Learning Assessment program, and be prepared to lead in their fields.

Integrated Studies is an interdisciplinary degree program with both online and on-campus courses. This degree is extremely flexible and offers an accelerated path to graduation with two areas of emphasis (12 hours each).

Professional Studies is a degree program that prepares students for management positions in the fields of Health Administration, Information Technology, Organizational Leadership, or International Organizational Leadership. Classes are offered 100% online for exceptional flexibility.

### **APPLY TODAY**

If you're ready to earn your degree, MTSU's University College is here to make it happen. <u>Submit your streamlined application today</u>, and our dedicated advisors will work with you to build the program that meets your schedule, your budget—and your goals.

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