Credits Earned at Foreign Educational Institutions, BP 3.100

1. **Purpose**
Lansing Community College (LCC) recognizes that students may have earned credit from foreign educational institutions. Students may receive credit for coursework completed when approved by the Registrar’s Office.

2. **Scope**
This procedure pertains to the Transcripts Processing Specialist and appropriate Academic Departments/Faculty when students request to transfer credits earned at Foreign Educational Institutions.

3. **Prerequisites**
- Complete an application to Lansing Community College. Persons interested in applying for general admission to the college should complete and submit an online or paper application using the instructions found on the [Admissions webpage](#).

4. **Responsibilities**
- Transcripts Processing Specialist – Responsible for completing all procedures and adhering to the guidelines as they relate to awarding credit.
- Registrar – Responsible for the preparation and oversight of the procedure.
- Academic Departments/Faculty – Responsible for approving or denying credit equivalencies for Foreign Institutional coursework.

5. **Procedure**
1. Students with foreign education credentials must work with one of the approved evaluation services listed on the [National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES)](http://www.naces.org) website to have an evaluation report sent to LCC’s Registrar’s Office.
2. After LCC’s Registrar’s Office receives a NACES member evaluation report, the Transcript Processing Specialist will evaluate coursework.
3. If needed, the Transcript Processing Specialist will request that the student provide translated course descriptions and/or syllabi from the originating institution to make informed course equivalency determinations.
4. Faculty from the appropriate academic departments may be requested to review the evaluation report as well as the course material to provide additional review, as well as approval or denial of course credit(s).

5. After evaluation, the Transcript Processing Specialist will apply any approved course credits to the student record.

6. When processing is complete, the Transfer Processing Specialist will send an official notice via the student’s LCC email.

6. **Reference**

- Additional transfer credit information can be found at LCC’s [Student Rules, Requirements, and Procedures](#) page.
- Additional questions may be directed to the Registrar’s Office at (517) 483-1200 or via [email](#).
- [National Association of Credential Evaluation of Services, Inc. (NACES)](#)

7. **Definitions**

N/A
Standard Operating Procedure

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*Does this procedure support a Board Policy? Yes
  If yes, identify: 3.100-Credit for Previously Acquired Knowledge and Learning Experience
  Board policies can be found at: LCC Board of Trustees Policy Page

*Does this procedure support HLC criteria? Yes
  If yes, identify: 4A
  HLC Criteria can be found at: HLC Accreditation Criteria

*Does this procedure support a State or Federal Regulation? No
  If yes, identify: n/a

*Note: Standard Operating Procedures should be in furtherance of some LCC policy and/or accreditation criteria, even if the relationship is not direct. Assistance in determining this information can be obtained from the Academic Procedure Advisory Committee (APAC) and/or the Accreditation Liaison Officer.