



National College Credit Recommendation Service (NCCRS) Overview Career Ladders and Career Pathways Roundtable Discussion Transportation Learning Center - September 17, 2014

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Recommendation Service
The University of the State of New York

What is NCCRS?

Founded in 1973 by the University of the State of New York, NCCRS is a nonprofit organization that conducts evaluations of non-collegiate training for the purpose of making college credit recommendations based on college credit equivalencies established through an academic peer review process completed by college faculty secured by NCCRS.

Who benefits from the work conducted by NCCRS?

NCCRS was founded as a program to increase access to education through recognition and validation of non-collegiate learning acquired by non-traditional students and adult learners.

Where is NCCRS located and what type of programs does NCCRS evaluate?

Headquartered in Albany, New York, NCCRS conducts evaluations of corporate training, apprenticeships, workforce development programs, online courses, proficiency examinations and non-degree educational offerings. NCCRS has served more than 500 organizations across the U.S. and abroad, and has evaluated approximately 5,500 courses and educational programs. Here are a few organizations whose training has been evaluated by NCCRS:

Apprenticeships:	Joint Apprentice Committee of the Electrical Industry, LU 3; Joint Apprentice Training Committee of the Elevator Industry; Joint Apprentice Training Committee of Sheet Metal Workers, LU28; New York City District Council of Carpenters
Online education:	Childcare Education Institute, Sage Group, JavaOnline, APICS, LOMA
Corporations:	ConEdison, Dale Carnegie and Associates, Bridgeport Hospital
Agencies:	NYPD, FDNY, New York State Assembly
Proficiency examinations:	NOCTI

What is a credit recommendation?

A credit recommendation is a credit equivalency. Credit recommendations are determined by a combination of required hours, academic rigor, comparability to existing college programs, and a strong correlation between learning objectives and student outcomes.

What institutions grant college credit for NCCRS credit recommendations?

Currently, more than 1450 colleges and universities have expressed a willingness to accept NCCRS college credit recommendations to apply toward a degree program at their institution in accordance with their institutions policies.

How much does an evaluation cost?

The cost of an evaluation is dependent on factors such as the number of courses to be evaluated, the number of evaluation team members required, and travel expenses. NCCRS charges an administrative fee and an annual fee based on the number of courses to be evaluated, honorariums for evaluation team members, and travel expenses.

How is it determined if an organization's programs are suitable for an evaluation?

Organizations that are considering having an evaluation of training begin with a review of NCCRS policies and a document checklist to ascertain if an evaluation is viable and appropriate. The next step entails completion of a self-study report that must be submitted to NCCRS to establish initial eligibility. If eligibility is confirmed, NCCRS staff provides consultation to proceed through the next steps of the process.

NCCRS web site links [www.nationalccrs.org]:

Document checklist and policies	http://www.nationalccrs.org/organizations/documentation_checklist.html
List of cooperating colleges and universities	http://www.nationalccrs.org/colleges_universities/cooperating/home.html
Organizations and evaluated courses	http://www.nationalccrs.org/ccr/home.html

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