

Learning Portfolios and Individualized Learning Plans: Faculty as Coaches and Collaborators

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Presentation Overview

This presentation will discuss collaborative opportunities with faculty, staff and students across all departments at Open College at Kaplan University (OC@KU). Topics include: the Bachelor of Science in Professional Studies program and PANEls (Portfolio Assessment of New Learning), PLA (Prior Learning Assessment) course efforts, and PLA evaluations and the integral role of SMEs.

OC@KU Overview

What is OC@KU? Brief history

OC@KU [Website](https://opencollege.kaplan.edu) – opencollege.kaplan.edu

Students can earn credit through:

- Experiential Learning Credits
- Course Assessments
- Credit by Exam (external exams)
- Open Courses
- BSPR Degree (Individualized Learning Plan)

Cross-College Collaboration: PANEls

What is a PANEl and how does it work?

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Professional Studies (BSPr) may use the Portfolio Assessment of New Learning, or PANEl, to document college-level learning:

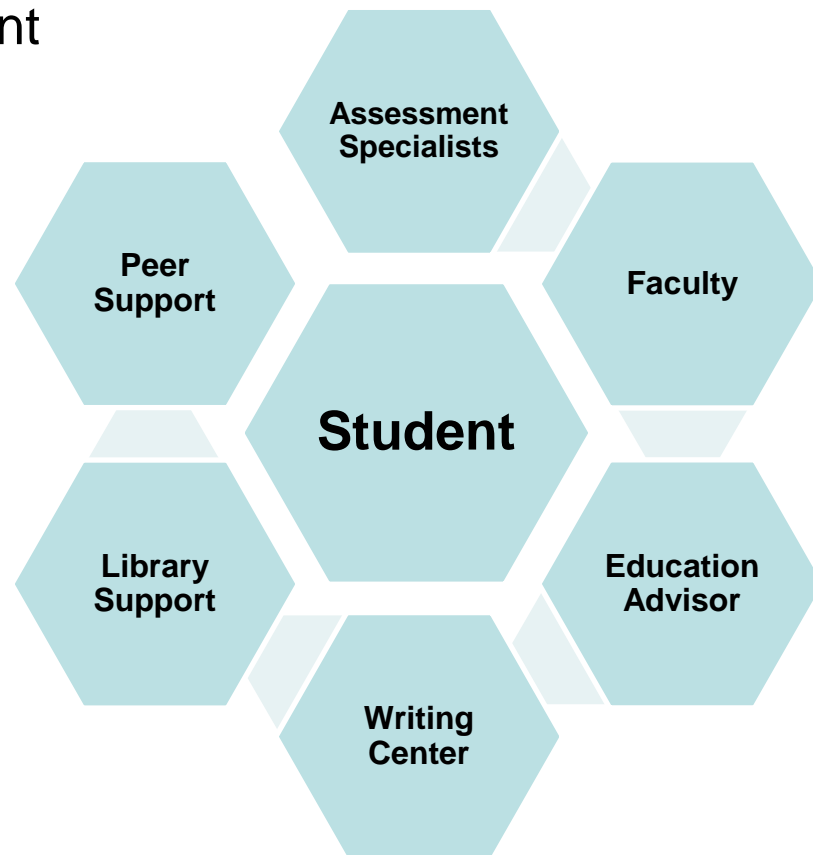
- Competency-based assessment
- Each activity assignment aligns to a specific course outcome
- All outcomes must be met to receive credit

Experiential Learning Course Connections and Collaboration

- Students articulate and organize college-level skills and experience in an online portfolio
- Students earn credit for what they know
- Decrease costs
- Save time
- Reflect on experiential learning
- Higher propensity to complete their degree program and graduate
- Faculty serve as mentors and facilitators

Student to Group Collaboration

- Team collaboration to support student success
- Symbiotic relationship between student, instructor, assessment specialists, and education advisor
- Support team driven by student and encouraged and cultivated by the instructor/mentor
- Writing Center support
- Library Resource Page
- Course Evaluators



Student to Student Collaboration

- Peer Review Assignment
- Autonomous peer interaction – Facebook group
- Sharing of experiences in discussions

Connecting with Colleges: The Role of SMEs in PLA offerings

Portfolio evaluators for Kaplan's PLA courses:

<https://portfolio.kaplan.edu>

- EL206: Academic Prior Learning Portfolio
- LRC100: Documenting Your Experiences for College Credit
 - Portfolio Appeals

Questions?



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Thank you for attending and enjoy the conference!

