Mission Statement

Open College at Purdue University Global offers individualized, affordable education that integrates technology and personalized service to help learners meet their career, academic, and personal goals.

General Policies

While enrolled at Open College, you will be held to all of Purdue Global's policies as outlined in this Catalog, unless expressly stated otherwise in this section.

Admissions Requirements

If you have completed prior collegiate-level coursework from an accredited institution, you must submit unofficial transcripts prior to enrollment. Prior to final approval of your Individualized Learning Plan, you must provide the University with an official copy of all unofficial transcripts presented to the University. The transcripts must show evidence of having at least two courses that you expect will transfer to the University from other institutions. Refer to the First-Term Responsibilities (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/admissions/first-term-responsibilities) section for additional information.

Progression Requirements

By the end of your first term of study, you must complete an Individualized Learning Plan (ILP). During the process of creating your ILP, you and your faculty advisor will mutually agree on the pace at which you will complete your degree.

While enrolled in any of the Open College degree or certificate programs, you will be required to complete four professional competency tutorials (PCTs). Upon completion of a PCT, the faculty member assesses your mastery of the associated Purdue Global professional competency and assigns a grade of pass or fail.

You will complete PR499 Bachelor’s Capstone in Professional Studies or PR299 Associate’s Capstone in Professional Studies (depending on your program) as the final element of your coursework. This course will last 10 weeks.

While enrolled at the Open College at Purdue University Global, you must earn 10 quarter-hour credits every 12 months from your start date through any combination of Purdue Global courses, course assessments, experiential credit, or credits transferred in from an approved provider. You will be academically dismissed should you not meet this requirement. If you are academically dismissed from Open College, you may appeal directly to the Dean for readmission.

Prior Learning Assessment

You may use course assessments to complete any part of your degree with the exception of PR499 Bachelor's Capstone in Professional Studies or PR299 Associate's Capstone in Professional Studies.

General Guidelines

While enrolled in an Open College degree program, you may complete any program requirement, with the exception of PR499 Bachelor’s Capstone in Professional Studies or PR299 Associate’s Capstone in Professional Studies, with any combination of transfer credits, course assessments, open courses, professional competency tutorials, or courses completed at Purdue Global.

You may take a Purdue Global course assessment at any time during your enrollment. Open College degree students may attempt a course assessment a total of two times. If you are unable to achieve a passing score on the second attempt, you may only receive credit for the course via transfer credit from an accredited institution or by taking the course at Purdue Global. Exceptions to this policy may be made only at the discretion of the Dean of the program.

Attendance

While you are enrolled in Open College, you are exempt from Purdue Global’s attendance policy unless enrolled in a for-credit course offered through Purdue Global, PR499 Bachelor’s Capstone in Professional Studies, or PR299 Associate’s Capstone in Professional Studies.

Academic Grades and Marks

Course assessments are graded on a pass/fail basis and appear as “AC” on your transcript. Transfer credit appears as “TC” on your transcript. Experiential credit appears as “EC” on your transcript. These academic marks do not contribute to a grade point average (GPA). Therefore, as you progress through your academic program, you may not have a GPA. Only courses taught through Purdue Global will appear with letter grades and will contribute toward a GPA.

Leave of Absence

While enrolled at Open College, you will remain an active student so long as you pay the tuition each month. If you are unable to pay the tuition for a future month, you must petition for a leave of absence while you are an active student.

Financial Information

You are not eligible to use federal financial aid to pay for Open College degrees or programs.

Refund Policy

Refer to your Enrollment Agreement for details of the Open College Refund Policy.

Student Information and Services

As a student enrolled at Open College, you have access to the following resources:

- Purdue Global Library
- Career Services
- Purdue Global Academic Support Centers

Programs

Bachelor of Science in Professional Studies

The Bachelor of Science in Professional Studies degree is designed with self-motivated students in mind and offers you the opportunity to create a customized degree plan to meet your own individual professional goals.

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Associate of Science in Professional Studies

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