What is Eastern’s Reverse Internship?

The Reverse Internship is for adults with 5 or more years of work experience who intend to graduate from Eastern.

You can earn up to 9 credits for your learning in the areas of “Problem Solving,” “Teamwork/Collaboration,” and “Communication,” either written or oral.

You participate in a two part in-person workshop and complete three Workbooks in writing which ask you to think about experiences you have had in your previous jobs and write about what you learned from those experiences as they relate to the three areas specified above.

Faculty review your Workbook entries and use a learning rubric to evaluate your learning and award college credit.

The cost of the program is $806 and you can earn up to 9 credits.

Call (860) 465-0206 to speak to an advisor.

You must be able to:

- Describe your experience in writing
- Identify your college-level knowledge, skills and understanding
- Provide documentation of your learning
- Have consistent access to a computer with Internet and email capability

Please Note:

Credits are not awarded for what you have done, but rather for what you have learned.
What happens after I complete the Workbooks for the Reverse Internship?

The *Reverse Internship* does not require an in-person interview with the faculty committee that is required in our regular Credit for Lifelong Learning portfolio program.

Instead, faculty will review what you have written about your learning and will evaluate your learning using a “rubric.”

Candidates will receive up to 9 credits for the Reverse Internship, maximum of three credits in each of the three learning areas.

What else should I know about the program?

Credits earned through this program are considered transfer credits and cannot be used to meet Eastern’s residency requirements. No grades are assigned to any credits awarded. You still need to complete a minimum of 30 credits of coursework in the classroom at Eastern for the bachelor degree (15 credits for an associate degree).

The flexible Bachelor of General Studies Degree (BGS) is ideal for using credits earned through this program. Credits may be applied toward the Liberal Arts Core (LAC) curriculum requirements and the Major or Minor Concentrations with special approval.

Tell me more about the workshop?

As part of the Reverse Internship workshop, you will complete up to three “Workbooks” in which you will capture what you have learned in three specific areas that are similar to an internship that a full-time college student might take. The three areas are: problem solving; teamwork/collaboration; and communication, either written or oral—your choice.

P.S. You may also have the option to continue and complete an e-Portfolio for additional credits.