

## ***Fast-Tracking Career Development in BC***

The BC Prior Learning Action Network (BCPLAN) is a strategic partnership of leaders from the public, private, and community/volunteer sectors who have come together to develop a coherent approach to prior learning assessment and recognition (PLAR) for adults throughout British Columbia.

### **OUR MISSION**

BCPLAN's mission is to increase access to credentials and employment opportunities. We accomplish this by facilitating the portability, recognition and acceptance of workplace and academic competencies.



### **WHAT IS PLAR?**



Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition is a process of assessing prior learning gained outside of a classroom (e.g. at work) and recognizing it towards an educational credential, occupational certification, or employment advancement.

### **WHAT DO WE OFFER?**



A communication network and learning community; we support innovative partnerships to facilitate increased access to credentials and long-term employment success for adults in BC.

### **WHY WE DO IT?**

BCPLAN believes adult learners should get the credit they deserve. Also, PLAR has economic benefits. According to a study conducted by BCIT, credential completion through PLAR could add \$31 million to BC's economy.



### **HOW TO GET INVOLVED**

Become a BCPLAN member as an individual or organization to join the PLAR discussion. Attend upcoming events to hear from subject matter experts and help us expand awareness of PLAR options with stakeholders.



### **MICRO-CREDENTIALS AND BADGES**



"Micro-credentials" or "badges" are issued to recognize specific achievement or expertise. Micro-credentials can be used through PLAR towards credential completion by a participating employer or educational institution.

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