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Credit When It's Due for Educators

Credit When It's Due for Students

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Created in 2013, Ohio's Credit When It's Due initiative emphasizes the importance of students earning a credential who have some college experience but no degree. Providing a pathway to an associate degree, certificate or credential is vital to reach our attainment goal of 65% by 2025.

- Eligible students can obtain an associate degree, certificate or credential through collaboration between Ohio's public institutions in one of two ways:
 - Earn an award while working toward a baccalaureate degree.
 - Earning an award with college credit earned at a two-year college attended previously.
- Thirteen public universities, five regional campuses, and all twenty-three community colleges collaborate on this important initiative.
- For a student to be eligible, they must meet the following criteria:
 - Enrolled in one of Ohio's public universities to pursue a bachelor's degree in the last semester reported to the state.
 - Have earned at least 45 college-level semester credit hours at Ohio public universities or colleges.
 - Have earned at least 20 college-level semester credit hours from a participating two-year institution.
 - Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at their current university.
 - Have not received an associate or a bachelor's degree from an Ohio public institution.

