Who Is CAEL?

- Council for Adult and Experiential Learning
- A 501(c)(3) non-profit, international organization with 40 years of experience in lifelong learning
- National leader in PLA best practices, research, and writing
- Dedicated to removing barriers to adult learning
- Standards recognized by regional accrediting bodies
PLA Leads to Higher Degree Completion

Graduation rates are 2 ½ times higher for students with PLA credit.
Lumina/Gallup Survey

America’s Call for Higher Education Redesign – Feb 2013.

87% of Americans think students should be able to receive college credit for knowledge and skills acquired outside the classroom.

75% would be more likely to enroll in postsecondary education if they could receive credit for what they already know.
“Get Real”

- Transfer policies
- Transcripting policies
- Faculty and department policies
- Training
- Intra-institutional transfer and articulation
- Implications for student services
- Implications for external professional certification
- Do students know about PLA?
- Do employers know about PLA?