authorization and accreditation

Onondaga Community College is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. Accreditation was renewed in 1998. Middle States, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104, telephone (267) 284-5000

Computer Engineering Technology: accredited by Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (TAC of ABET), 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202-4012, telephone (410) 347-7700.

Electrical Engineering Technology: accredited by Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (TAC of ABET), 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202-4012 telephone (410) 347-7700.

Nursing Program: accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, 61 Broadway 33rd Floor, New York, NY 10006, telephone (212) 363-5555, extension 153.

Respiratory Care: accredited by the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC), 1248 Harwood Road, Bedford, TX 76021-4255, telephone (817) 283-2835.

Surgical Technology: accredited by the Accreditation Review Committee on Education in Surgical Technology, 7108-C South Alton Way, Centennial, CO 80112-2106, telephone (303) 694-9262.

Physical Therapist Assistant Program: accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, American Physical Therapy Association, Department of Accreditation, 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314, telephone (800) 999-2782.

Health Information Technology: accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM), 233 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2150, Chicago, IL 60601, telephone (312) 233-1183.

All degree and certificate programs are approved for veterans and veterans’ dependents eligible for Veterans Administration education benefits under the various public laws.

Documents for accreditation and licensure can be reviewed by contacting the agencies listed above.

Approved by:

Onondaga Community College is approved by and registered with the New York State Department of Education. The College is authorized by the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York to award Associate in Arts, Associate in Science and Associate in Applied Science degrees.

Memberships:
The American Association of Community Colleges.

Programs of study leading to a degree or certificate:

A.A.: Associate in Arts, two year, full time
A.A.S.: Associate in Applied Science, two year, full time
A.S.: Associate in Science, two year, full time

Certificate: one year, full time

For students intending to transfer to a SUNY Bachelor program, SUNY General Education Requirements must be met. See page 41 for more details.

Onondaga Community College reserves the right to cancel any offerings described herein (or in any other catalog or brochure), including but not limited to degrees, certificates, programs, options, concentrations or courses. The College also reserves the right to change any rules governing curriculum, administration, tuition, fees, admissions, regulations affecting students, dates and course content when such action will serve the interest of the College or its students. Students are responsible for acquainting themselves with the regulations pertinent to their status. The College reserves the right to modify its regulations in accordance with accepted academic standards and to require observance of the modifications. Such changes shall take effect whenever the administration deems necessary.

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Onondaga Community College is an equal opportunity employer and an affirmative action institution. The College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, national origin, marital and parental status, age, disability, sexual orientation, or status as a disabled or Vietnam-era veteran in admissions, employment, access to programs and administration of educational policy. In addition, College policies make sexual harassment unacceptable and intolerable. These policies apply to applicants for admission and employment, students, employees and sources of referral for applications for admissions and employment.

The College complies with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Equal Pay Act of 1963; the Age Discrimination Act of 1974; Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Americans with Disabilities Act; Executive Order No. 11246, as amended; the Vietnam Era Veteran readjustment of 1974 and other federal, state and local nondiscrimination laws as they may apply.

Questions regarding this statement or compliances with its provisions, including how to file a charge of discrimination protected by the above policies, may be directed to Robert L. Jokajtys, Vice President, Human Resources, Coulter Library, Room 222, (315) 498-2330.

In compliance with Article 129 of the New York State Department of Education law, Onondaga Community College is required to advise students how to access campus crime reports and statistics that are filed annually with the United States Department of Education as required under Title 20 of the U.S. Code Section 1092 (f). This information can be obtained by visiting http://www.ed.gov or by contacting Student Support Services at (315) 498-2990.
About Onondaga Community College

The College
Onondaga Community College is a college of the State University of New York system and one of 30 locally sponsored community colleges throughout New York state. The College is the second-largest undergraduate college in Central New York. Onondaga County is the sponsor for Onondaga Community College.

In 1962, Onondaga opened its doors to 500 entering freshmen at Midtown Plaza in the urban center of Syracuse, New York. The College moved to its present site in 1973, situated on 230 acres on Onondaga Hill, four miles from the city. The campus is noted for its hills, wooded terrain and expansive views.

Eight academic buildings housing nearly 50 different degree and certificate programs and three modern all-suite residence halls make up the present campus. Enrollment has grown from the original 500 to more than 9,000 students.

The College strives to provide the full college experience and offers a full complement of clubs and organizations to enrich student life. A comprehensive array of student support services enables our students to be successful in achieving their academic goals no matter what their life stage when entering the academic setting.

Onondaga Community College values diversity and is committed to creating an atmosphere where individuality is not only recognized, but also honored and encouraged to contribute to the rich fabric of the campus and the community. The College continues to serve the educational and economic development needs of its region and has more than 33,000 alumni.

Our Philosophy
Onondaga Community College is dedicated to being a diverse educational learning community made up of students, employees and all those who support community-based higher education for all. We inspire our students to acquire the knowledge, skills and insights essential for earning a living, being responsible citizens and living full, healthy lives.

The College welcomes those who, at any life stage, desire to pursue higher education, seek preparation for a specific career or job, acquire new knowledge and skills or wish to learn to enrich their lives.

Educational Mission
Onondaga Community College makes high-quality educational programs accessible to our diverse citizenry, empowering individuals to explore and discover their inherent potential and to transform themselves to live, work and thrive in our global community.

Vision
Onondaga Community College will be recognized as a leader in higher education and as one of the nation’s most innovative community colleges. Students will discover at Onondaga highly credentialed faculty who have chosen to dedicate their careers to teaching, employees who focus on the value of and service to a diverse student body, and an inclusive and welcoming environment that supports achievement of highest potential. Lifelong learning will be nurtured by personal connection, innovative technology, global perspectives and open minds. Through its unique stewardship and public responsibility to prepare citizens for productive careers in this region, Onondaga will serve a primary role in enriching and enhancing the quality of life for all who live and work in Central New York.

Principles of Community
Respecting the dignity and diversity of others is fundamental to the educational process, as well as the hallmark of citizen participation and interpersonal relationships. Respect knows no bounds whatever our differences in socioeconomic status, race, age, gender, sexual orientation, ability, ethnic heritage or religious conviction.

Therefore, I will respect the dignity and diversity of all people.

Personal integrity is a highly held value to be consciously chosen by an individual both in the classroom and throughout the campus community.

Therefore, I will sincerely pursue knowledge with honesty.

We are all in this life and community together. And each of us is 100% responsible for our own actions.

Therefore, I will learn to work as a member of the community as well as independently.

We each affect one another; we are interdependent. We are role models for each other. What happens to one affects us all. A community characterized by civility and decency brings out the best in each of us.

Therefore, I am committed to act with the greatest compassion and deepest wisdom.
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