

ACCEPTED!

Welcome New Students!



OCEAN
COUNTY COLLEGE

Checklist: There's plenty to do so that you're prepared for your first day of class...

ADMISSIONS

- After submitting an application, all applicants must submit official high school transcript(s) showing subjects completed and grades earned, OR State General Education Diploma (GED). If you do not have a school diploma or GED, proof of 18 years of age is required.
- DEGREE applicants must request that the high school guidance counselor mail your TRANSCRIPT, including any test scores, directly to the Records and Registration office. If transferring credits from another college, OFFICIAL COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT(s) must also be submitted.
- Applicants for the Nursing Program are required to take the American College Test (ACT) OR the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) examination. (This requirement is waived for any student with a Bachelor's Degree, or any student who has completed all Nursing General Education courses with a minimum cumulative college GPA of 2.7.)
- Those applicants seeking Early Admission or the Honors Program are required to take either the ACT or the SAT.

ADVISING

- Prior to scheduling New Student Orientation, submit qualifying test scores (any combination of HSPA/SAT/ACT/PSAT) to the Office of Records and Registration or to the Testing Center. Or, contact the Testing Center to take the Accuplacer Test. (Exemptions from the placement test are available, but minimum test scores are required; details are available on the Testing Center web page at www.ocean.edu.)
- Call the Academic Advising Office to schedule your New Student Orientation. 732.255.0300
- To read about degree requirements, visit the Academic Advising web page at www.ocean.edu.
- Attend a New Student Orientation, where you will register for classes.
- Contact an advisor should you need to make any changes to your schedule. The Advising Office is open 8:00-8:00 Monday-Thursday, and 8:00-5:00 Friday.

NJ STARS

- Complete the FAFSA and State Financial Aid paperwork.
- Submit your high school transcripts.
- Submit college placement test (or Accuplacer) scores and AP scores.
- Call the Academic Advising Office to schedule your New Student Orientation. 732.255.0300
- Set up your OCC email account via Ocean Cruiser using your seven digit student ID number - prod.campuscruiser.com.
- NJ STARS Parents: Sign up for the NJ STARS Parent E-Newsletter by emailing njstarsparents.edu.

FINANCIAL AID

- Complete and submit your FAFSA online. For FAFSA filing deadlines, see the Financial Aid web page at www.ocean.edu. (Use Federal School Code: 002624.) To be eligible for financial aid, students must be enrolled in an eligible degree or certificate program.
- Speak with an OCC Financial Aid Advisor about applying for a student loan, if applicable.
- Research scholarship opportunities, such as through the Ocean County College Foundation and private scholarships.

ATHLETICS

- Schedule daily classes to end by the appropriate time for your sport (refer to the sheet handed out in orientation for details).
- Email your coach and express your interest in the sport (coach emails can be found on the Athletics web page at www.ocean.edu.)
- Complete the Student-Athlete Eligibility Packet found on the Athletics web page at www.ocean.edu (or pick up a hard copy from the Athletics department). Any questions or concerns can be answered at 732.255.0345 or email atrump@ocean.edu.

MISCELLANEOUS TASKS

- Buy your textbooks – visit <http://bookstore.ocean.edu> to find out what books you need and purchase them online.
- Set up your OCC email account via Ocean Cruiser using your seven digit student ID number - prod.campuscruiser.com.
- Get familiar with campus and know where all your classes are located – see the Interactive Campus Map on Ocean Cruiser.
- Get your OCC Student ID Card at the Security/Welcome Center at the South end of Lot 1. Bring your current schedule or paid receipt and a picture ID (driver's license, passport, County ID, etc.).
- Read your syllabi when you receive them. Know what is expected of you in each class.
- Check your OCC email daily!

PARENTS

- Attend Parent Orientation. Contact 732.255.0300 or occparents@ocean.edu for dates, details, and to RSVP.
- Sign up for the Parent Newsletter by emailing occparents@ocean.edu with the subject line "E-Parent Newsletter."
- Understand FERPA - The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act – which prohibits OCC from sharing information about a student with anyone other than the student.

