

### The **Smart Choice** for What's Next

For today's college-bound students, earning a degree doesn't have to mean taking on big college debt. You can choose a smarter path to a bachelor's degree from the university you want, or an associate degree for the career you want. It all starts at Columbus State.

Complete the first two years of a bachelor's degree at Columbus State's low tuition and you'll be perfectly positioned, both academically and financially, to transfer on.

With our strong partnerships, your two-year Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree will lead directly into bachelor's degree programs at colleges in Ohio and across the nation.

You'll earn the exact same degree as students who start at a four-year college or university, and save up to 60% off your total college costs.

If you're looking for programs that lead straight into a career, you'll find them at Columbus State as well. Our Associate of Applied Science and Associate of Technical Studies degrees prepare you to enter well-paying, indemand careers accessible with an associate degree. Plus, virtually all provide the option to continue on to earn a bachelor's degree in a related major if you choose to further your education.

#### Apply now at cscc.edu/apply

#### Choose the degree that's right for you.

#### **Degree-to-Degree Transfer Programs**

Associate of Science (A.S.) fulfills requirements for the first two years of a Bachelor of Science with guaranteed credit transfer to any Ohio public and many private colleges/ universities.

Associate of Arts (A.A.) fulfills requirements for the first two years of a Bachelor of Arts with guaranteed credit transfer to any Ohio public and many private colleges/universities.

#### **Career Programs**

Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) prepares students to enter the workforce and provides select transfer options to continue on for a bachelor's degree.

Associate of Technical Studies (A.T.S.) enables a student to design an individualized program of study to fulfill a unique career goal that cannot be met through the completion of any one of the College's technical programs.

**Certificates** provide credentials in a specific discipline through short-term study (usually 1–2 semesters).



#### Study what you love.

# Students can choose majors in one of eight Pathways:

- Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
- Biological, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences
- Business and Hospitality Services
- Computer Science, Information Technology, and Design
- · Construction and Skilled Trades
- Education, Human Services, and Public Safety
- Engineering, Manufacturing, and Engineering Technology
- Health Sciences

#### Discover the value of an Associate Degree.

- Earning an associate degree in two years costs \$10.676.
- Acceptance and credit transfer are both guaranteed to any public Ohio college/university (and many private institutions) when you graduate with an A.A. or A.S.
- Earning an A.A.S. or A.T.S. gives you the skills to enter the job market immediately.
- Average annual earnings for associate degree holders in Ohio is \$55,700.\*
- Some two-year degree holders average annual salaries of \$60,000-\$78,000, including web developers, dental hygienists, respiratory therapists, and electromechanical technicians.\*\*
- Once employed, you may qualify for tuition reimbursement, allowing you to pursue a debt-free bachelor's degree.

<sup>\*</sup>Elka Torpey, "Projected openings in occupations that require a college degree," Career Outlook, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, September 2021.

https://www.bls.gov/careeroutlook/2021/article/projected-openings-college-degree.htm

<sup>\*\*</sup>Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, visited July 11 2022



# Learn from faculty who know, support, and challenge you.

Professors at Columbus State focus exclusively on teaching and interacting with students every day. That means our classes are small, and they're taught by master's and doctoral degree holders who are experts in their fields and dedicated to engaging students in an interactive learning environment.

Read about featured faculty members at cscc.edu/quality-teaching.

# Consider your future with no student debt.

cscc.edu/debtfree

- 76% of Columbus State students take on zero student loan debt.
- Students who start at Columbus State can save up to 60% off the cost of a bachelor's degree.
- Our four-year partners often offer scholarships exclusively for Columbus State transfer students, reducing total college costs even further.

# Experience life and learning beyond the classroom.

There's more to college than what you'll learn in the classroom. College should help you find your people, stretch your perspective, and explore your passions. Here's a sampling of all you'll have access to at Columbus State:

- Black Student Union, CSCC Pride, Latin American Student Association
- Generation One Trailblazers
- Chorus Columbus State and Gospel Vocal Ensemble
- Concert Band and Jazz Ensemble
- Theatre Columbus State
- · Fitness Center and wellness classes
- STEM Club, Social Work Club, Student Nurses Association
- Anime, Video Gaming, and Esoteric Clubs
- Leadership opportunities and voter mobilization campaigns
- Campus-wide events, exhibits, and speakers

#### Find your place in central Ohio's leading industries.

## Students come to us for on-the-job experience in sustainable careers.

- Internships
- Work study
- Service learning
- Apprenticeships
- Specialized learning opportunities by industry
- · Direct paths to jobs after graduation

# Industry partners come to us to build the diverse and skilled workforce they need to innovate and advance.

- Accenture
- Alliance Data
- Amazon
- American Electric Power Foundation
- Amgen
- Andelyn Biosciences
- Apple
- City of Columbus

- Facebook
- Honda of America Manufacturing
- Huntington National Bank
- Intel
- JPMorgan Chase
- Nationwide Children's Hospital
- State Auto
- · Worthington Industries

#### **Transfer Options**

cscc.edu/transfer

- Transfer agreements or dual admissions programs with 40+ colleges across Ohio (all public institutions and numerous private colleges/universities).
  - 2+2 agreements (Complete your first two years at Columbus State, then two final years at a four-year college/university)
  - 3+1 agreements (Complete your first three years at Columbus State, then one final year at a four-year college/university)
- Students who start at community colleges and transfer to complete a bachelor's degree graduate at a higher rate (73%) than students who start at a four-year institution (63%).
- Faculty at our four-year partner schools say Columbus State graduates are well prepared to succeed at their institutions.

#### **Preferred Pathway Partners:**

Capital University



Ohio Wesleyan University













# FAST FACTS

NUMBER OF 40,000+

Scholarships awarded yearly

200+

Programs of study

# **20 STUDENTS**AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

5

**Convenient central Ohio locations** 

#### **CONSIDER YOUR OPTIONS**

**A SHORT PATH ...** 

to an in-demand career

Total Tuition: \$10,676\*

Associate Degree 2 years at Columbus State

A SMART PATH TO A BACHELOR'S DEGREE ...

from a public university

from a private university

**Save: \$46,000\*** by completing your first 2 years at Columbus State

Save: \$87,000\* by completing your first 2 years at Columbus State

\*Numbers reflect cost before financial aid tuition at Columbus State and average tuition, room, and board at Ohio's public and private universities

\$5,338

COLUMBUS STATE ANNUAL FULL-TIME TUITION



#### Rise to the academic challenge.

Students seeking academic challenge will find it at Columbus State. A few of the options we offer for high-achieving students include:

- Honors Program (cscc.edu/honors)
- STEM Club and Future Scientists of Ohio Scholarship Program (cscc.edu/STEM)
- Study abroad (cscc.edu/StudyAbroad)

#### Believe in your success. We do.

We're more than your college. We're your connection to a wealth of resources to help you succeed.

Overall wellbeing is key to focusing on your education and achieving your dreams. That's why we provide holistic services that include help with essentials like food and housing, technology, tutoring, mental health services, and more.

Visit *cscc.edu/services* to explore everything we offer students.

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