Why Columbus State?

More people in Central Ohio choose to start college at Columbus State Community College than any other college or university. More than 26,000 students attend Columbus State, and we are proud of our commitment to providing both outstanding academics and personal service. We take an interest in each student and work to create the best plan to help you reach your education and career goals.

You’ll have access to all the resources you need to succeed as a student and beyond. Our student services are provided at no charge to current students and include:

- Academic Advising
- Career Services
- Clubs & Organizations
- Disability Services
- IT Support
- Personal Counseling
- Tutoring & Writing Center
- Wellness Classes & Intramural Sports

For a complete list of student services at Columbus State, visit csc.edu/services.

FAST FACTS ABOUT COLUMBUS STATE:

- Founded in 1963
- 26,000+ students
- Students from over 100 countries
- 7 locations in Central Ohio: Columbus Campus, Delaware Campus and 5 Regional Learning Centers
- 200+ associate degree and certificate programs
- Average class size: 19
- Transfer agreements to more than 40 colleges and universities including 9 Preferred Pathway partners
- Lowest tuition in Central Ohio
Services for International Students

Whether you’re an international student who currently resides in Central Ohio, or you’re exploring the possibility of coming to the U.S. to study, the International Student Services staff knows just how to help. We can assist you with everything from becoming a Columbus State student to settling in when you get here to finding your next step after graduation.

The International Student Services staff provides assistance with:
- Applying to Columbus State
- Applying for scholarships
- Obtaining your I-20, I-901, F-1 Transfer Report and/or other required forms
- Searching for employment
- Exploring housing options
- Acclimating to American culture
- Connecting to resources to assist with English (speaking and writing)

International Student Orientation
Before you begin your first class, you’ll attend International Student Orientation, where you’ll learn tips for success as a student, meet other international students, and hear about all of the exciting things going on at Columbus State.

Global Diversity and Inclusion Center
The International Student Services office is part of the larger Global Diversity and Inclusion Center (GDIC). The Center works to ensure international students find their fit at Columbus State by providing social activities, student clubs, and special events tailored to our unique international populations.
Degree Options

Columbus State offers four types of degrees: Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Applied Science (AAS), and Associate of Technical Studies (ATS).

**Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees** are designed as transfer degrees. They fulfill the first two years of a bachelor’s degree for students who plan to transfer to a four-year university.

**Associate of Applied Science and Associate of Technical Studies degrees** are offered through our Career Programs. These programs are designed as two-year plans of study intended to lead directly into a career field upon graduation. Columbus State offers more than 200 Career Programs to choose from, all of which also offer select transfer options for students wishing to move on to pursue a bachelor’s degree.

For a full list of academic programs, visit [cscc.edu/programs](http://cscc.edu/programs).
Hear what students from all corners of the globe say about Columbus State.

When you arrive at Columbus State, you’ll find a community that will support you in the transition to becoming a successful U.S. student. Our staff and faculty are here to help—and our international students themselves provide a strong network of friends who know just what you’re going through and can help you as you navigate your new life.
Rezvan Ngalia  
_Cameroon, West Africa_

“At first, I was scared to talk to people because I didn’t know what was considered to be right or wrong. The faculty and staff have been very helpful in making sure I fit in and have a smooth transition to the American way of doing things.”

Keyla Ayala  
_Venezuela, South America_

“The International Student Services staff have helped me in every aspect—from how to apply for admission and everything I needed to start classes, to getting employment, and improving my writing. I think of them as my ‘personal trainers’ for being a successful student.”

Weiyi Pan  
_Beijing, China_

“Coming to a new country is hard because you don’t know anyone. International Student Services connected me to clubs and campus events, so I could make friends. It really helped me adjust and enjoy my time at Columbus State.”
Transfer Agreements

If you plan to pursue a bachelor's degree, Columbus State is a great place to start. We have transfer agreements to over 40 colleges and universities in Ohio, including our nine Preferred Pathway partners. You can complete the first two years of required courses here and your credits transfer easily after you complete your associate degree.

For more information on our transfer options, visit cscc.edu/transfer.
Affordability

Columbus State offers students the lowest tuition in Central Ohio—by far. And that’s true whether students are from Ohio, from another state, or coming to us as an international student. In fact, even if you get scholarship money from a four-year college, you’re likely to find out that your tuition at Columbus State is still lower!

Students who transfer on to a four-year university save 40% or more on the total cost of a bachelor’s degree by starting at Columbus State.

Visit cscc.edu/tuition to calculate your college costs at Columbus State.
Central Ohio. An Amazing Place to Call Home!

Columbus State Community College has two campuses and five Regional Learning Centers in Central Ohio. Columbus, Ohio is the center of our five-county service area, and home to our Columbus Campus, located in the heart of downtown. The Delaware Campus, located in Delaware, Ohio, is just north of Columbus, in one of the fastest-growing counties in Central Ohio.

Well known for cultural diversity, higher education options and a growing job market, Central Ohio provides endless opportunity.

Find out more at experiencecolumbus.com.
Become an International Student at Columbus State today!

Visit csc.edu/international for more information on how to apply to Columbus State as an international student. The deadline to apply for admission is 30–45 days prior to the semester you intend to start attending.

Contact us to speak in person with an International Student Services advisor, or make an appointment to visit the International Student Services office on our Columbus Campus.

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