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# **General Information**

## Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College is a public, twoyear college operated under the authority of the Ohio Department of Higher Education and governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees appointed by the Governor of the State of Ohio.

The College currently offers more than 130 associate's degree programs, majors, and certificate programs at its main campus in Clifton and at locations in Evendale, Harrison, Middletown and elsewhere in Greater Cincinnati, and offered online. In addition to its college credit-bearing academic and technical programs, the College's Workforce Development Center offers continuing education opportunities through short courses, seminars, and on-site training programs for businesses and industries in the region.

Cincinnati State is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (hlcommission.org (https://www.hlcommission.org)), a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, IL 60604, phone 800-621-7440).

The College also holds numerous programmatic accreditations, listed in the Accreditation and Memberships (http:// catalog.cincinnatistate.edu/archives/2018-19/generalinformation/ accreditationandmemberships) section of this catalog.

## Overview

### **Collaborative Relationships**

Cincinnati State has established academic partnerships with high schools, colleges, universities, and employers throughout the region.

Through Cincinnati State's relationship with the Ohio Department of Higher Education, the College maintains structured pathways to connect eligible high school students and graduates with college courses and degree and certificate programs. These college programs help the state achieve the goal of improving the educational attainment of Ohio citizens.

- Ohio's College Credit Plus program enables eligible high school students to take college courses while still in high school.
  Cincinnati State delivers many college courses at local high schools through a network of over 40 partner public and private high schools.
- Additionally, to strengthen pathways for students participating in career technical programs, Cincinnati State recognizes the state's Career-Technical Assurance Guides (CTAGs) which allow high school graduates to obtain college level transfer credit for knowledge and skill acquired in designated high school classes.

Cincinnati State also has established articulation agreements with the University of Cincinnati, Mount St. Joseph University, Northern Kentucky University, Xavier University, Miami University, and many other institutions to ease the transfer of graduates to specific degree programs in those institutions.

Cincinnati State is a member of the Greater Cincinnati Collegiate Connection (formerly the Greater Cincinnati Consortium of Colleges and Universities). This membership allows students, under certain conditions, to take courses not offered at their home institution at any of the 13 member institutions. Students who would like more information about this program should contact the Office of the Registrar on Clifton Campus or by email at registraroffice@cincinnatistate.edu.

Cincinnati State also has a cross-registration agreement with the Army and Air Force ROTC at the University of Cincinnati. Army and Air Force personnel teach General Military Training classes. Enrollment in these classes entails no service obligation, and books and uniforms for the courses are provided free to students. Participants attend ROTC classes and drill periods on the University of Cincinnati's campus while attending academic classes at Cincinnati State. Details are available in the Office of Veteran Student Affairs at Cincinnati State, Room 135 Main Building, Clifton Campus.

## **Cooperative Education**

Since its founding in 1969, Cincinnati State has integrated work experience (typically co-op employment or clinical rotations) with academic coursework. Cincinnati State's consistently high graduate employment rate reflects the College's commitment to providing quality education enriched by on-the-job training. Students encounter "realworld" job demands, helping to clarify their career choices and promote responsibility in the workplace. Most co-op experiences are paid placements that permit students to earn while learning, and thus defray the total cost of their education. The College has been recognized nationally for its extensive cooperative education program. More than 500 employers provide placements for degree-seeking Cincinnati State students who devote one or more semesters of their program of study to applying the knowledge they have acquired in the lab and in the classroom.

## **Equal Opportunity**

Cincinnati State is committed to a policy of equal educational opportunities for all persons regardless of race, age, handicap, sexual orientation, national origin, or gender. This policy is adopted as a matter of law and as a matter of educational policy consistent with the goals and purposes of the College.

The College also adheres to a policy of equal employment opportunity and affirmative action to end any illegal pattern of discrimination and to overcome the effects of past discrimination. Cincinnati State is also committed to serving the region's Armed Forces Veterans.

### **Institutional Values**

As a college community:

- We embrace experiential and lifelong learning, personal growth, and employability.
- We create and promote a civil and respectful environment.
- We anticipate and effectively respond to changing stakeholder expectations.
- We honor the diversity of people and ideas.

### Mission

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College provides studentfocused, accessible, high-quality technical and general education, academic transfer, experiential and cooperative education, and workforce development.

## **Student-Centered Quality Education**

Cincinnati State is known for its dedication to teaching and its studentcentered philosophy and practices. Small class sizes, an extensive academic foundations program, a free tutoring program, counseling, advising, and library services provide the kinds of academic support needed for success for adult students and recent high school graduates. Both theory and practice are stressed through appropriate classroom, laboratory, and cooperative/clinical education experiences.

Cincinnati State faculty members take pride in the personal attention afforded each student, and every Cincinnati State graduate is a reflection of the College's commitment to developing human potential, one student at a time.

#### Vision

Cincinnati State will be the technical and community college of choice in our region, nationally recognized for academic excellence, cooperative education, and workforce development.