



# INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS GUIDE

Oklahoma City Community College

The future is exciting, and

**NOW IS  
POWER**

# WELCOME TO OCCC!

Congratulations on making the big decision to attend school in the United States. We are thrilled that you are considering joining our global community. Our campus is home to a vibrant and diverse group of 20,000 international and domestic students, who benefit from our robust course offerings, flexible schedules, and on-campus clubs and organizations. So why choose to attend a community college? Why Oklahoma? Why OCCC?

We have lots of reasons why OCCC is the best place for international students!

1. **Affordable tuition and fees**, along with scholarship and grant opportunities for eligible students.
2. **Transfer agreements** with many four-year colleges and universities allow you to easily continue your education. In two years, you can finish your associate degree!
3. Earn authorization to **work in the United States**.
4. High-quality, student-invested **faculty**: most hold a master's or doctorate degree.
5. **Small classroom sizes**—the average class is less than 20 students!
6. Learning labs offering **free student tutoring** and support.
7. **Safe and secure campus** environment.
8. A strong **sense of community** through student clubs, honor groups, organizations, service-learning opportunities, and campus activities.
9. **Caring and supportive college staff**.
10. **80+ degree choices** with flexible scheduling options, with morning, afternoon, evening, and online classes available.
11. OCCC is located in the **largest city in Oklahoma** and is the 4th largest college in the state of Oklahoma.
12. OCCC is home to **more than 400 international students** from countries around the globe!



“OCCC has given me many new opportunities and I have learned much throughout my time here. OCCC is globally-inclined and I’m proud to be a part of that. I find joy in helping and motivating others.”

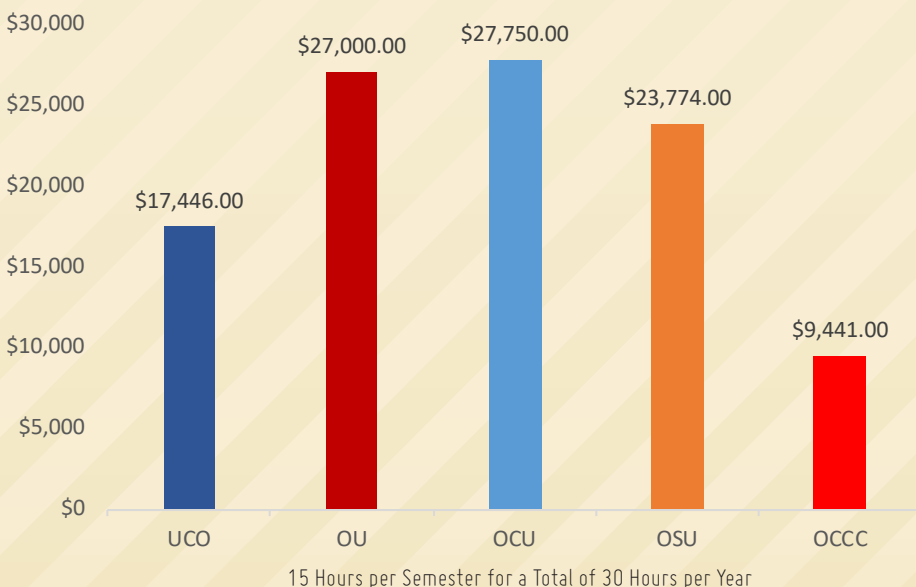


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# AFFORDABILITY

Our international tuition and fees make college affordable. One year at OCCC, costs less than \$8,000 (USD) for 12 credit hours—the required minimum hours for international students. The average university tuition and fees in the Oklahoma City metro is \$25,000 (USD) per year. Finishing your associate degree at OCCC will allow you to transfer to a university, complete your bachelor's degree, and save you up to \$30,000 US dollars.

*The chart shows estimated tuition and fees for 30 credit hours of undergraduate work per year. This does not include housing, meals, and specialized fees. Actual costs will depend on school, program, and credit hours.*



# TRANSFERABILITY

After completing your associate degree at OCCC, you can pick a 4-year institution to finish your bachelor's degree. An associate degree from OCCC counts toward the completion of your bachelor's degree at an Oklahoma based 4-year institution. OCCC has transfer agreements with schools like The University of Oklahoma, the University of Central Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma City University, and more!

Not ready to start your bachelor's degree?

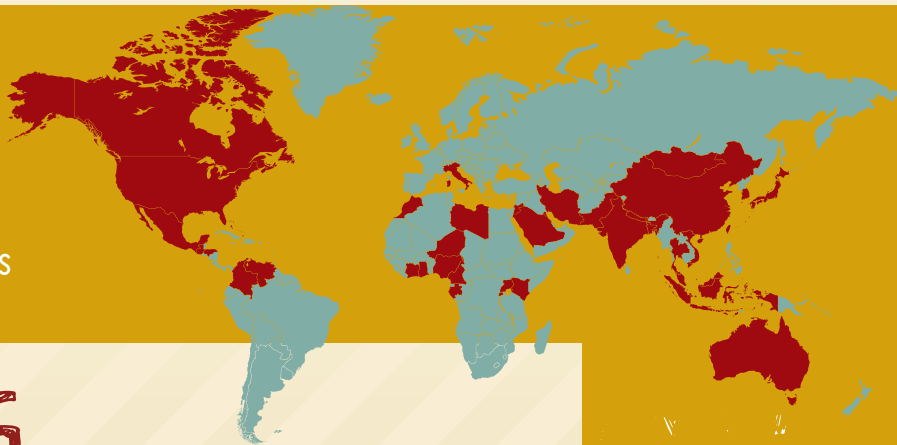


# EMPLOYABILITY

International students have the opportunity to earn one-year of off-campus employment in the United States after completion of their associate degree. If you get your bachelor's degree and work authorization first, you won't be able to use your one year of work authorization from your associate degree. Save money. Earn your degree. Work in the United States.



Statistics based on Fall 2017 enrollment data



1. Nursing
2. Engineering
3. Business
4. Computer Science
5. Diversified Studies



# LEARNING LABS

This is just a sample of some of the most popular learning labs on the OCCC Campus:

The Accounting Lab offers free assistance to students enrolled in Accounting I and Accounting II courses. Tutors help students through the financial and managerial aspects of these courses as well as provide help with homework. If you miss a class lecture, video lectures of the material are available here.

The Biological Sciences Lab allows students flexibility in scheduling lab exercises and exams related to all biological sciences courses, including biology, anatomy, physiology, zoology, botany and microbiology. Free tutorial services are also available in the lab.

Tutors in the Communications Lab assist students with reading and writing assignments by offering suggestions for improving their writing and vocabulary and exercises to aid their study and organizational skills.

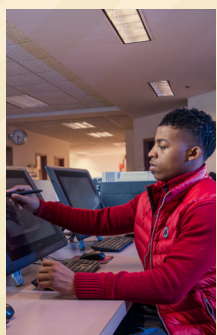
The Engineering Center is essentially two labs in one, focusing on geology and nanotechnology and electrical engineering. In the lab, students can view lecture videos, complete lab assignments and exams and complete special projects. Tutors are also on hand to answer questions.

From algebra to calculus, geometry to trigonometry, students' mathematics questions can all be answered in the college's Math Lab. In addition to free tutoring, the lab also has a variety of calculators and instruction manuals on hand for student use.

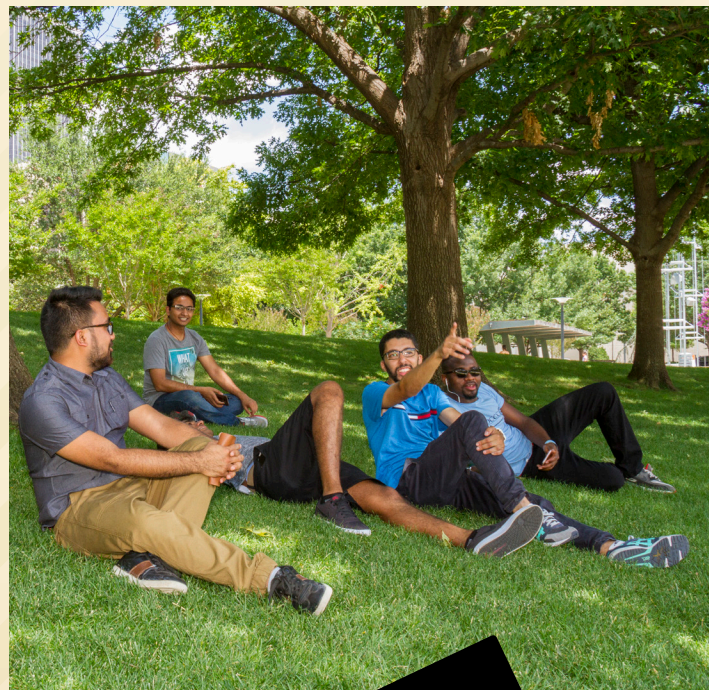
Nursing Program Campus Clinical Laboratories are designed to simulate clinical learning situations and provide students the opportunity to enhance their skills. Learning is facilitated through the use of two fully equipped labs, one which utilizes partial task trainers and the other which houses low and mid-fidelity simulators.

In the Physical Sciences Center, students in such courses as chemistry and physics are provided opportunities to view lecture videos and complete lab activities and exams. Free tutoring services are also available.

The World Languages and Cultures Center offers students help in learning foreign languages. The lab provides language-learning software, access to satellite television stations in other countries, an international film collection, and on-site tutors.



# CAMPUS SAFETY



Oklahoma has a reputation for being a safe place to live and work. OCCC is no different. The primary focus of the OCCC Campus Police Department is safety. They operate 24 hours a day, 365 days a year with officers on duty at all times.

The **Campus Police Department** also offers additional free safety related services such as vehicle unlock, vehicle jump start, lost and found, officer escort to and from the building, and air for vehicle and bicycle tires.

Students can easily connect to campus police with OCCC Shield, a free safety app that enables students to reach OCCC Campus Police almost immediately from their smart phones. The app connects the user to the campus police department, but also provides the user's location through an internal positioning system or geographic locator.

Each year OCCC, and all U.S. colleges, publish a report on campus crime that complies with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and the Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act). This report can help you assess the safety of the U.S. college you are considering attending. The report is posted on the college's website and can be viewed at: <http://www.occc.edu/police/crimesafetystats.html>.

In addition to physical safety, OCCC cares about a student's emotional well-being too. **Student Support Services** offers counseling to provide resources students need to cope with college-related, personal and financial issues that may be affecting their studies and their ability to be their best.



440 security cameras across the OCCC campus



No bias/hate crimes reported in 2015 and 2016



16 total reported crimes on the OCCC main campus in 2016

# STUDENT LIFE



Participation in student clubs and organizations provides an excellent opportunity for individuals to get acquainted with faculty, staff and students; as well as make connections to the campus community. Clubs and organizations allow students to form connections with professionals in their field of study, experience new opportunities and develop important leadership and planning skills. OCCC has approximately two dozen student organizations that you can join.

**Civic Honors** is a self-directed leadership and service program that enables students to receive a Civic Honors award. The program includes personal vision development, resume assistance and leadership exploration. Participants complete 50 hours of service, a student portfolio, a reflective project and two mentor sessions with Student Life staff for the award.

In addition to these extracurricular programs, OCCC also offers a variety of entertainment options through its Visual and Performing Arts Center Theater and health and wellness options through the **OCCC Wellness Center**. The Wellness Center is fully-equipped with top-of-the-line weight and cardio equipment and a variety of group fitness classes.



# DEGREES

OCCC's diverse major options offer students the choice to transfer to a four-year institution or immediately enter the workforce upon completion of their OCCC degree. There are also program opportunities that help students advance in their current careers.

## Associate in Arts degree (AA) or Associate in Science degree (AS)

Most often used to transfer to another college or university, with community college credits going toward a bachelor of arts degree or a bachelor of science degree.

## Associate in Applied Science degree (AAS)

Most often used to go directly into the job market.



### STEM Majors



### Popular Majors







## Emphasis

Some majors have options for specialized study. For example, Chemistry majors can specialize their study in one of four different areas. The major will still be chemistry, but they will complete an emphasis in a specific area. The italicized text shows the different areas you can complete specialized study.

## Associate in Arts:

- Child Development
- Digital Cinema Production
- ★ Diversified Studies
- Enterprise Development
- Journalism
  - Journalism*
  - Broadcasting*
  - Public Relations*
- Liberal Studies
- History
- Humanities
- Modern Languages
  - French*
  - Spanish*
- Music
- Political Science/Pre-Law
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Speech & Theatre Arts
  - Theatre Arts*
  - Speech*
- Visual Arts

## Associate in Science:

- ★ Biology 
  - Pre-Allied Health*
  - Biology*
  - Pre-Baccalaureate Nursing*
- ★ Business
- ★ Chemistry 
  - Chemistry*
  - Pre-Dentistry*
  - Pre-Medicine*
  - Pre-Pharmacy*
- Community/Public Health
- ★ Computer Science 
  - Software Development*
  - Management Information Systems*
- ★ Engineering 
  - Enterprise Development
  - Business
- ★ Math 
  - Physics 
  - Pre-Education

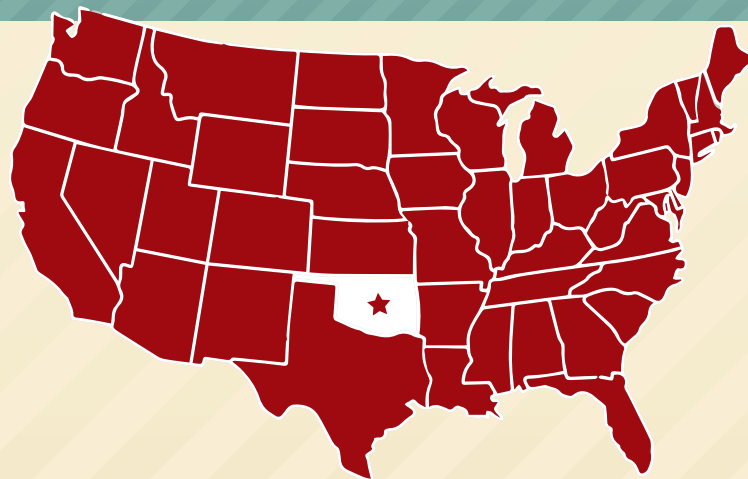
## Associate in Applied Science:

- Anesthesia Technology
- Automotive Technology 
  - Internship*
  - GM (ASEP)*
  - Business*
- ★ General Business
  - Accounting/Finance Support Specialist*
  - Business Management*
  - Vehicle Service Management*
- Child Development
  - Child Development Administrator*
- Clinical Research Coordinator
- Computer Aided Design 
  - Computer Aided Design*
  - Geographic Information System*
  - Unmanned Vehicle System*
- ★ Computer Science 
  - Cyber/Information Security*
  - Computer Programming*
  - Computer Support Services*
  - Web Design & Development*
- Digital Cinema Production
- Digital Media Design
  - Graphic Design*
  - Photography/Digital Imaging*
- Engineering Technology 
  - Emergency Medical Sciences
  - Medical Assistant
- ★ Nursing
  - Occupational Therapy Assistant
  - Physical Therapist Assistant
  - Speech Language Pathology Assistant



The majors on this page are approved for international student study at the time of this printing.

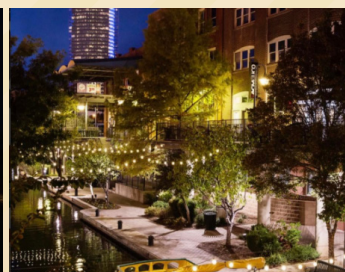
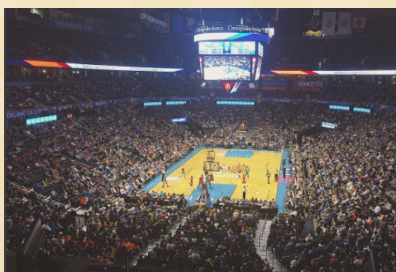
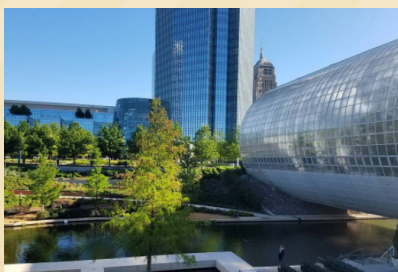
# BEST OF OKC



Oklahoma City, the capital of Oklahoma, is a growing, vibrant, and diverse city. There is no shortage of dining, entertainment and shopping experiences to explore! OCCC is located in the south part of the city, right next to Will Rogers World Airport. More than a dozen apartment complexes are located within 3 miles of the college and OKC has a citywide bus system to get you all around the metro! Embark Metro Transit (Buses 12 & 13) makes regular stops at the college, approximately one every 30 minutes.

Oklahoma has a temperate climate with cold winters, hot summers, and moderate weather in the spring and fall. Students should come prepared with appropriate clothing to accommodate the changing weather throughout the year.

- 29th largest city in the United States
- 3rd largest city in land area in the United States (621.2 square miles)
- Averages more than 248 days of sunshine a year
- OKC Metro Area Population: 1,343,996
- Average annual temperature of 61° F (16.1° C)
- Highest average temperature is 94° F (34.4° C)
- Lowest average temperature is 29°F (-1.7° C)
- Average rental of \$794 per month for 2-bed, 2-bath, 950 square foot, unfurnished apartment
- 24.7% below the national average in housing costs
- No. 1 in most apartment space for your money (Forbes, March 2016)



## 1. Bricktown

Restaurants, nightlife and entertainment area near downtown

## 2. National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum

American Western heritage, culture and art

## 3. Oklahoma City Museum of Art

Art museum near downtown OKC

## 4. Oklahoma City Zoo

The top-rated zoo features animals of all types

## 5. Myriad Botanical Gardens

Downtown garden that features a winter ice skating rink

## 6. Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum

This national park is the site of the 1995 Murrah Building Bombing

## 7. Historic Stockyards City

American Western food, culture and shopping district

## 8. Oklahoma History Center

Learn all about the history of Oklahoma

## 9. Frontier City & White Water Bay

Amusement park and water park

## 10. OKC Thunder (NBA), Oklahoma City Dodgers & OKC Energy FC

Basketball, baseball and soccer teams for year round entertainment

## 11. Wheeler District

Up-and-coming area with a ferris wheel that gives excellent views of OKC

## 12. Warren Theatre

Luxury movie theatre just south of OCCC

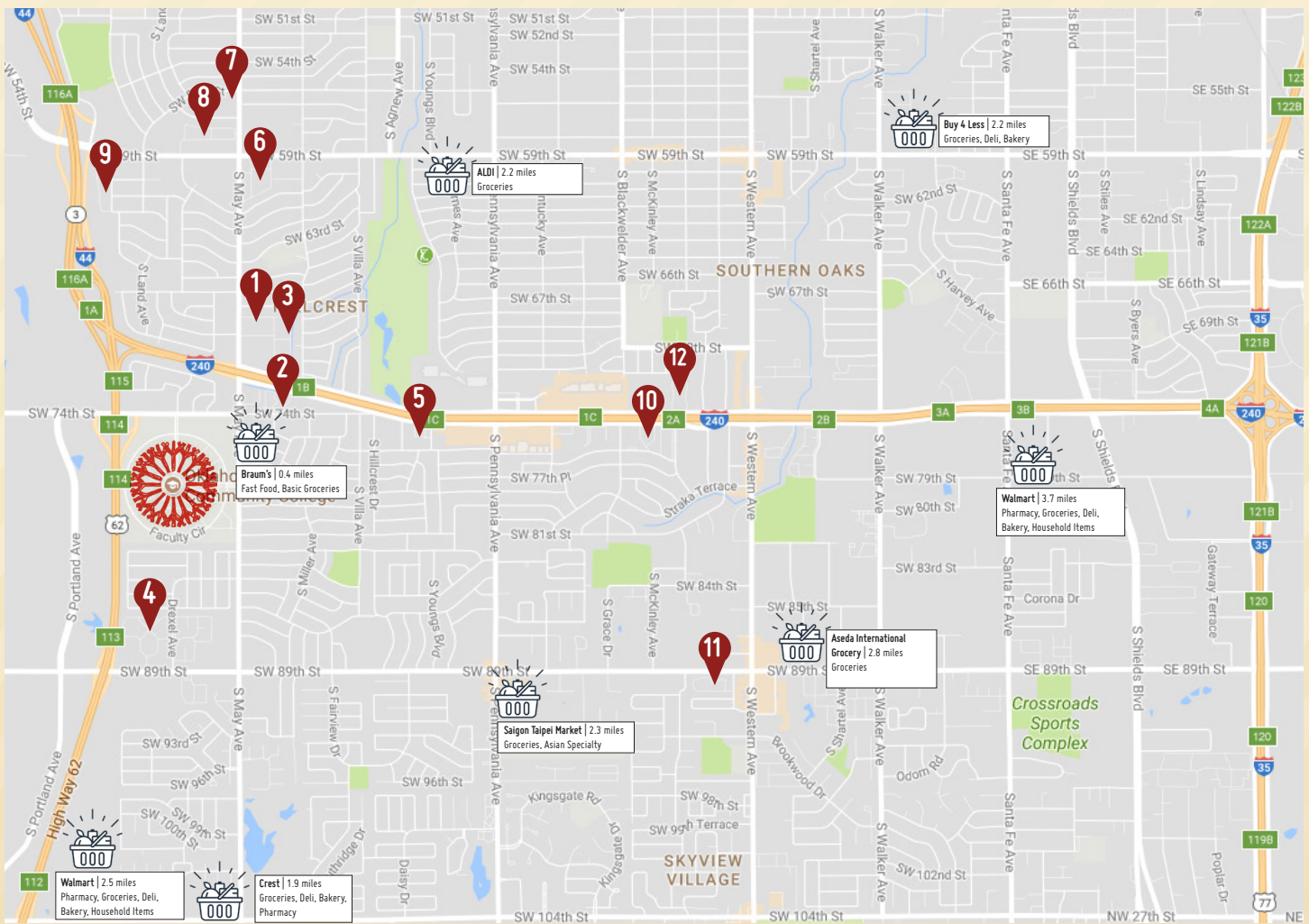
## 13. Automobile Alley and The Plaza District

Two areas for local restaurants and shopping

## 15. River and Boathouse District

Downtown riverfront district that features water sports and competitive rowing events

# HOUSING AND GROCERIES



This guide is intended to give international students information about the closest available apartments for rent. OCCC does not own, operate, or endorse any apartment. This list is not all inclusive and apartments vary on policies regarding rental to international students. This list is current at time of printing.

## 1 Cinnamon Square Apartments (0.6 miles)

6624 South May Avenue  
Oklahoma City, OK 73159  
405-681-5505

## 2 Ashley Park Townhomes (0.7 miles)

2700 W I-240 Service Rd  
Oklahoma City, OK 73159  
405-682-1483

## 3 Pickwick Place Apartments (0.8 miles)

2759 W I-240 Service Rd  
Oklahoma City, OK 73159  
405-681-5507

## 4 Avana 3131 (1.2 miles)

3131 SW 89th St.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73159  
405-717-0594  
[www.avana3131.com](http://www.avana3131.com)

## 5 Rosemont Apartments (1.2 miles)

2300 SW 74th Street  
Oklahoma City, OK 73159  
405-685-2626

## 6 Potomac House Apartments (1.5 miles)

2830 SW 59th St.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73119  
405-681-7424

## 7 Carmel Terrace Apartments (1.6 miles)

5617 S. May Avenue  
Oklahoma City, OK 73119  
405-685-3763

## 8 Almonte Apartments (1.7 miles)

5901 S. May Ave.  
Oklahoma City, OK. 73119  
405-682-3031

## 9 Briar Glen Apartments (1.7 miles)

6219 S. Independence  
Oklahoma City, OK 73159  
405-682-3121

## 10 Brickell Apartments (2.1 miles)

1292 W I-240 Service Rd  
Oklahoma City, OK 73139  
405-634-6380

## 11 Summit Pointe Apartments (2.6 miles)

1002 SW 89th  
Oklahoma City, OK 73139  
877-825-7495  
[www.summitpointeaptsokc.com](http://www.summitpointeaptsokc.com)

## 12 Meadow Park Apartments (2.8 miles)

1105½ SW 74th St.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73139  
405-634-6329

# TUITION AND FEES

Non-Residents of Oklahoma:

Resident Tuition	\$97.84 per credit hour
Non-Resident Tuition	\$184.44 per credit hour
Student Activity Fee	\$7.15 per credit hour
Facility Use Fee	\$12.30 per credit hour
Student Technology Fee	\$5.00 per credit hour
Assessment Fee	\$1.00 per credit hour
Library Fee	\$2.00 per credit hour
Security Fee	\$5.00 per credit hour
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$314.73 per credit hour</b>

# ADMISSION INFO

**When is the deadline for the application?**

It is highly recommended that you apply **AT LEAST 2 MONTHS** before your first semester begins. If you are needing to acquire a F-1 visa, please follow these deadlines:

Term	Deadline
Spring	November 15th
Summer	April 15th
Fall	June 15th

After you have been accepted, you will receive an email with your next steps. We look forward to having you on our campus!

# APPLY NOW!

1. Apply at [www.occc.edu/admissions/international.html](http://www.occc.edu/admissions/international.html)
2. Submit documents that show your ability to pay the projected cost of \$18,200. Acceptable documents include bank statements. Stocks, bonds, retirement, or business accounts are not acceptable. Also complete the Student Financial Verification form found at: <http://www.occc.edu/admissions/international.html>
3. Provide proof of English proficiency. Visit this link for acceptable forms of proof: <http://www.occc.edu/admissions/international.html>
4. Send all official transcripts reflecting accredited college work. If you have not attended another college, then all officially certified high school records must be submitted.
5. Submit a valid passport or birth certificate

All correspondence relating to international admissions should be sent to: [international@occc.edu](mailto:international@occc.edu)

## 3 MONTHS

Apply!

Receive letter of acceptance

## 2 MONTHS

I-20 shipment to home

Pay I-901 fee

Visa application

Visa interview

## 1 MONTH

Purchase plane ticket (1-2 months)

Find housing

## 2 WEEKS

Pack your bags!

## 1 WEEK

Attend mandatory international orientation

School starts!

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