

# connecting people to **POSSIBILITIES**

Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College connects people to possibilities. From career training to course transfer, student success is our top priority, and our small classes, flexible schedules, engaged faculty and supportive staff help students reach their goals. We offer trade skills local employers want that lead to excellent careers and good pay in less time, and help students build the confidence to continue their educational journey at one of our state's four-year colleges or universities. Whatever path they choose, OCtech is there every step of the way.



*We connect people to possibilities!*

## **OUR RELATIONSHIPS**

Whether it's students feeling comfortable talking with their instructors and taken care of at every step of their college journey, or the camaraderie among faculty and staff who rely on and support one another, the relationships forged at OCtech are distinctive among other colleges. Faculty and staff are helpful, responsive and have an open-door policy. We meet students where they are.

## **OUR FLEXIBLE SCHEDULES**

Having the ability to take courses and complete programs online is a game changer for students juggling school, work and families. Hybrid options offer a hands-on component and time to ask questions in person.

## **OUR COLLEGE TO CAREER PATHS**

"Trade skills" offer great opportunities. They lead to excellent careers and good salaries, and are a fantastic alternative to earning a four-year degree. Even if you don't have two years to commit to a degree, students can complete certificates in a variety of fields in less time, which helps them upgrade their skills and opens the door to better job opportunities.

## **OUR LOW COST**

You save money on an education at OCtech, whether you're taking a career-ready program that leads directly to the workforce or preparing to transfer to a four-year college. You can get a degree here without going into debt.

## **OUR QUALITY OF PROGRAMS**

Courses are hands-on, interactive and taught by individuals with real-world experience in the field. Our offerings are tailored to the needs of the community. Lab experiences across healthcare and technical programs are top notch. OCtech programs prepare students to succeed on professional exams.

## **OUR STUDENT SERVICES**

OCtech's Admissions and Advising process is easy to navigate and quicker to journey through than at other colleges. The Financial Aid Office helps students find ways to pay for their education. Having access to free tutoring and academic support are tremendous assets. The TRiO program shines in delivering programs to first-generation college students.

## **OUR LOCATION**

OCtech's proximity to I-26 – and other major interstates – makes it easily accessible for students commuting to our campus from Savannah, Rock Hill and everywhere in between. We're close to major industries, just five minutes away from two 4-year universities, and are situated midway between Columbia and Charleston. Students who wish to earn a degree and work locally choose us because we're close to home.

## **OUR SMALL CLASSES**

Lower student-to-teacher ratios make learning personal. Instructors know students by name. Students are more willing to ask questions, able to get help when they need it, and get to know their instructors and classmates.

# STATISTICS

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**16:1**

STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO



**92.5%**

JOB PLACEMENT RATE



**100%**

PROGRAM ACCREDITATION



**70%**

OF CLASSES HAVE  
FACE-TO-FACE  
COMPONENTS



*Travel time*

45 MINUTES FROM COLUMBIA  
90 MINUTES FROM CHARLESTON



*nursing graduates  
earn nearly*

**\$16,000** SC DEW

MORE THAN SC'S LIVING WAGE  
JUST ONE YEAR AFTER GRADUATION



*comparing*

 **OCTech**  
Orangeburg-Carolina Technical College

 **UNIVERSITY OF  
South Carolina**

**\$205** PER CREDIT HOUR

**\$512** PER CREDIT HOUR

MANY OF OUR STUDENTS RECEIVE  
LOTTERY TUITION ASSISTANCE,  
SC WINS AND/OR PELL GRANTS,  
SO THEY END UP PAYING LITTLE  
OR NO OUT-OF-POCKET TUITION  
TO ATTEND OCTECH.