

## Student Life

one quarter prior to the date degree requirements will be finished. The signature of the advisor and the division are required on the applications for Associate in Technical Arts (ATA), Applied Science (AAS) and Applied Science Transfer (AAS-T).

Applications must be submitted to the Cashier at your local campus; a \$20 fee (non-refundable) will be charged for the first degree application. A \$5 fee (non-refundable) will be charged for each subsequent degree.

### Certificates – Graduation Application

Students must submit an application for each certificate to be completed and see their advisor for assistance and signature. Return the completed application to the Cashier at your local campus. A fee of \$20 is charged for the first certificate application. A \$5 fee (non-refundable) will be charged for each subsequent certificate.

### Graduation Application Deadlines

Last day to file for 2020-2021

- Summer Quarter – Aug. 5, 2020
- Fall Quarter – Oct. 16, 2020
- Winter Quarter – Jan. 29, 2021
- Spring Quarter – April 21, 2021

### Commencement

Commencement (graduation) takes place in June of each academic year, although degree requirements may be completed during any quarter. Graduation instructions will be sent to graduates approximately two weeks before Commencement. Gowns, honor cords (see “Honors Designations” in this catalog), and invitations may be purchased at the OC Bookstore. Certificates are not awarded at Commencement.

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An active part of attending college is getting involved in student life. OC has many extracurricular opportunities for students to build leadership skills, broaden their cultural perspectives, and cultivate new friendships. Students can be part of student government, student clubs, athletics, performing arts, and career and academic based programs.

### Athletics – The Rangers

OC has been successfully competing in intercollegiate athletics since 1946 and has a rich and storied history. Athletics at OC contributes to educational and personal growth of student athletes by developing the positive attributes of dedication, discipline, responsibility, cooperation, self-confidence, leadership and citizenship.

OC is a member of the Northwest Athletic Conference (NWAC). The NWAC is the

largest community college conference in the country with 36 members. OC offers an academic advising program that supports student athletes. Athletic scholarships are also available.

OC offers the following intercollegiate sports:

- **Men:** Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Track and Field
- **Women:** Basketball, Cross Country, Golf, Softball, Volleyball, Track and Field

Contact Information  
Athletics – The Rangers  
Bldg. 10 (BSC), Rm. 111  
360-475-7450, [bjanusch@olympic.edu](mailto:bjanusch@olympic.edu)  
[olympicrangers.com](http://olympicrangers.com)

### Multicultural Services

Student Service, which is comprised of Multicultural Services, the Office of International Education and Study Abroad, Intensive English, and Residence Life, serves a central role in student learning and development at Olympic College, advancing the college’s mission of learning by fostering academic and social networks through which students develop as intentional learners and global citizens. Our mission is to provide student-centered communities that promote academic success, safety and wellness, personal and professional development, and engagement in a secure, supportive, and inclusive environment.

The Office of Student Services creates opportunities to involve students, faculty and staff in diverse learning communities and provides a critical support structure for enriching the overall student experience. We achieve these ends through strategic alignment, both internally and in concert with other college departments. We create places for all of our student populations to thrive and connect.

Contact Information  
Multicultural Services  
Bldg. 10 (BSC), Rm. 118  
360-475-7680, [multicultural@olympic.edu](mailto:multicultural@olympic.edu)  
[olympic.edu/student-life/multicultural-services](http://olympic.edu/student-life/multicultural-services)

### Music Activities

The OC Music Department offers high quality Instrumental and Vocal Music programs. The Instrumental program has a rich history, being one of the first in the nation to include jazz studies as part of the curriculum. The program today includes both Jazz Band I and Wind Ensemble. The Vocal Music Program includes Opera and Vocal Jazz Ensemble I (Jazzline) both by audition, and additionally a non-audition Concert Choir. Lecture classes include Music Theory, Jazz History, Music in Film and Television, and Music Appreciation. Private instruction is offered in Electric Bass, Piano, Voice, Saxophone, Clarinet, Guitar, Brass and Percussion. Group instruction is also offered for Guitar and Piano. Scholarships are available by audition.

Contact Information  
Vocal Music: Dr. Emerald Lessley  
360-475-7117, [olympic.edu/music](http://olympic.edu/music)

Instrumental Music: Rick White  
360-475-7118, [olympic.edu/music](http://olympic.edu/music)

### OC Recreation

The OC Recreation Department is committed to providing the students of OC with diverse and fulfilling recreational activities that encourage the development of each individual and help create personal connections between students.

OC Recreation offers a variety of activities for fitness, wellness, and adventure. The Fitness Center is open to all students with a OC ID and current quarter sticker. OC Outdoors offers adventures such as hiking, rock climbing, white water rafting, and the annual snow trip. Find the latest offerings on both our website and social media outlets.

Contact Information  
Jaymie Cox-Garcia, OC Recreation  
Bldg. 10 (BSC), Rm. 121  
360-475-7462,

[OCRecreation@olympic.edu](mailto:OCRecreation@olympic.edu)  
[olympic.edu/student-life/olympic-college-recreation](http://olympic.edu/student-life/olympic-college-recreation)

For the fitness center, visit  
[olympic.edu/student-life/fitness-center](http://olympic.edu/student-life/fitness-center).

### Residence Hall

The Office of Residence Life strives to provide safe, quality student housing, and aims to challenge, support, and educate residents to become responsible and engaged global citizens. Residents are immersed in a multinational living and learning environment that augments their academic pursuits through intentional education, innovation and community development. Research demonstrates that student involvement in campus activities has many benefits including: building new relationships, better time management, improved academic performance, and experiential learning. We hope that you will become involved in the residence hall and campus community. Get involved, have fun and enjoy this wonderful opportunity!

The Residence Hall is located half a block from OC’s Bremerton campus and features fully furnished rooms complete with full kitchen/bath, on-site laundry, community room access, full-time live in professional staff, and 24/7 security monitoring. Additionally, room rates include all utilities, Wi-Fi and parking.

Residents must be full-time enrolled OC students, in good standing with the college, and financially responsible.

Visit our website for more information and to apply online.

Contact Information  
Bldg. 16 (Residence Hall)  
360-479-0840, [Reslife@olympic.edu](mailto:Reslife@olympic.edu)  
[olympic.edu/student-life/residence-life](http://olympic.edu/student-life/residence-life)

### Student Clubs

The purpose of student clubs is to create community and enhance the college experience. Participation in student clubs and activities is a great way to make friends, build your resume, demonstrate leadership, improve critical thinking skills, and be part of a team. As a club member, you can become more connected to the campus and your academic departments. There is a wide variety of clubs including American Sign Language, Student Veterans of America, Barner Garden Club, Phi Theta Kappa, Asian Pacific Islander Club, Photography Club, Clay Club and many more.

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To join or start a student club, visit the club website at [olympic.edu/student-life/student-clubs](http://olympic.edu/student-life/student-clubs), or visit the Student Government of Olympic College office at any campus located in the Bldg. 12 (TEC), room 101 at OC Bremerton.

For the most up-to-date list of student clubs, see [olympic.edu/student-life/student-clubs](http://olympic.edu/student-life/student-clubs).

### Student Government of Olympic College (SGOC)

Students who pay Services and Activities fees are student government constituents. The student government constituents play a vital role in representing the interests of OC students on committees, at Board of Trustee meetings, and various college functions. The Student Government Office, located in the Bldg. 12 (TEC), Rm. 101, is a place for students to share ideas, seek help and resources, and start clubs. Shelton and Poulsbo student government representatives have offices on their respective campuses to serve students. Membership in student government is open to all students taking at least five credits per quarter.

#### Student Government Sponsorship

The Services and Activities fees collected at college registration support more than 18 student-funded programs and more than 20 student clubs. Programs and services include, but are not limited to: Student Government, Athletics, Sophia Bremer Child Development Center, Drama, Instrumental and Vocal Music, Multicultural Programs, OC Activities Board, Phi Theta Kappa, The Ranger News, Recreation, Student Organizers, and Tutoring.

#### Student Government Officer Positions

- President
- Vice President
- Director of Finance and Operations
- Director of Clubs and Student Life
- Director of Public Relations and Communications

All Olympic College Student Body members that meet the following criteria are eligible to apply for a student employment position with the SGOC:

- The applicant must maintain a cumulative and quarterly GPA of 2.5 or above.
- The applicant must have completed more than ten credit hours at Olympic College.
- The applicant must be currently enrolled in at least eight credit hours at Olympic College
- The applicant must maintain eight credit hours per quarter\*
- The applicant must be in good standing with Olympic College.

#### Olympic College Activities Board

The Olympic College Activities Board (OCAB) is a student driven board that plans, coordinates, and hosts events for OC students. The board brings entertainment like musicians, comedians, speakers, movie nights, and awareness weeks to campus. The OCAB recruits for positions in the spring for the next year's student leaders. For events and more information, please visit [olympic.edu/student-life/ocab](http://olympic.edu/student-life/ocab).

##### Contact Information

Student Government of Olympic College  
Bldg. 12 (TEC), Rm. 101

360-475-7290, [sgoc@olympic.edu](mailto:sgoc@olympic.edu)

[olympic.edu/student-life/student-government-olympic-college](http://olympic.edu/student-life/student-government-olympic-college)

**OC Poulsbo:** 360-394-2780

**OC Shelton:** 360-432-5413

### Student Publications

The Ranger, OC's student-produced news medium, offers students interested in writing, editing, photography, graphic design and advertising the opportunity to hone their skills in online news media. Students work in a collaborative environment with the journalism adviser.

##### Contact Information

The Ranger Student Newspaper  
Bldg. 12 (TEC), Rm. 119

[news@olympic.edu](mailto:news@olympic.edu)

[olympic.edu/student-life/ranger](http://olympic.edu/student-life/ranger)

## College Resources

Olympic College provides many resources to enhance learning and support student success while at the college. Students can take advantage of these services to help with access to the college, studying, tutoring, career planning, and other educational support.

### Access Services for Students with Disabilities

Access Services partners with the OC community to foster a college culture that recognizes disability as a valued aspect of diversity and is dedicated

to the inclusion and full participation of students with disabilities in all college programs, services and activities. The office determines appropriate academic adjustments and assists students with self-advocacy and referral to campus and community resources. Any student with a permanent or temporary disability, including pregnancy-related medical issues, is encouraged to contact the office of Access Services to discuss accommodations and facilitate individual educational opportunities.

Students wishing to request accommodations for a disability will need to:

- Complete the Access Services New Student Application at: [olympic.edu/services/access-services-students-disabilities](http://olympic.edu/services/access-services-students-disabilities)
- Submit formal, written documentation of the disability (documentation standards are available online or through the office of Access Services)
- Schedule an appointment with Access Services staff
- Request services early (at least four weeks prior to need is recommended)
- Meet and maintain academic standards

Services and accommodations are provided on an individually determined basis and may include sign language interpreters, print materials in alternate format, test accommodations, note taking services, specialized equipment, and assistive technology.

##### Contact Information

Access Services for Students with Disabilities  
OC Bremerton:

Bldg. 4 (HSS), Rm. 205

360-475-7540, [AccessServices@olympic.edu](mailto:AccessServices@olympic.edu)

[olympic.edu/services/access-services-students-disabilities](http://olympic.edu/services/access-services-students-disabilities)

**OC Poulsbo:** 360-475-7540

**OC Shelton:** 800-259-6718 ext. 7540

### Admissions – Welcome Center

Welcome Center staff are the first point of contact for prospective or new students. There is no application fee, and applications are accepted online, in person, or by mail.

Applicants will receive personalized admission packets, academic and professional/technical program information, and directions on how to find online information such as the college catalog. Information on new student advising appointments, pre-entrance assessment, and new student orientation will be included. Staff are available to assist with Financial Aid completion and provide information on other funding options.

Admissions staff coordinate and provide outreach support to community groups and events, visit high schools and community fairs, and provide personal or group tours of college campuses. Campus tours are available upon request. Visit the Welcome Center webpage to sign-up and for more information.