

Student Life

Graduation

Associate Degrees and Certificates

For degrees and certificates, students must apply to graduate. The "Application for Graduation" forms are available at all OC registration offices or on the OC website at www.olympic.edu/current-students/graduation. If the application cannot be approved as submitted, written notification will be given.

Degree – Graduation Application

Prospective graduates should meet with their advisor to complete the application to graduate 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 \$10 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 2018-2019

- Summer Quarter – Aug. 2, 2018
- Fall Quarter – Oct. 12, 2018
- Winter Quarter – Jan. 29, 2019
- Spring Quarter – April 17, 2019

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.

Student Life

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. The Athletic Department is dedicated to the academic, athletic and social growth of each student athlete. 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 39 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
Bremer Student Center
360-475-7450, bjanusch@olympic.edu
www.olympic.edu/Athletics

Multicultural and Student Programs

The mission of the Multicultural and Student Programs Department is to support and encourage academic success, leadership development, and social justice awareness, and create an environment that fosters a spirit of inclusiveness at OC. The program provides a variety of educational, cultural, recreational and social forums, and services that support OC's diverse student population, the college and the community. Students participating in program offerings that include student government, clubs and programs have an enhanced college experience that promotes greater student achievement, goal attainment, and overall success. Through the program's offerings in the areas of student leadership, extracurricular learning, and active involvement, students gain meaningful learning experiences and develop a keen sense of civic responsibility. Students can volunteer, join a club, or become a Student Government of Olympic College officer.

Contact Information

Multicultural & Student Programs
Bremer Student Center, Rm. 117
360-475-7680, multicultural@olympic.edu
www.olympic.edu/student-life

Multicultural Services Center

The Multicultural Services Center (MSC) focuses on supporting the academic success and retention of diverse student populations by advocating for a learning environment that is inclusive and provides services to assist students in meeting their academic and personal goals.

MSC endeavors to offer comprehensive services and programs to students, faculty, staff and the community. In addition to providing direct student services, MSC partners with community agencies, and collaborates within the institution to enhance the learning environment for diverse populations. The office is dedicated to educating the college about diversity awareness and cultural sensitivity in an atmosphere of positive engagement and mutual respect.

The MSC is open to all students who have an interest in the services and opportunities offered.

Contact Information

Multicultural & Student Programs
Bremer Student Center, Rm. 117
360-475-7680, multicultural@olympic.edu
www.olympic.edu/student-life/multicultural-and-student-programs

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 Chamber Choir, both by audition, and additionally a non-audition Concert Choir. Lecture classes include Music Theory, Jazz History, World History, 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

Music Program
OC Bremerton: Music Assistant, 360-475-7197
www.olympic.edu/music

Vocal Music: Teresa Eliason 360-475-7117
www.olympic.edu/music

Instrumental Music: Rick White, 360-475-7118
www.olympic.edu/music

Recreational Activities

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 open gyms in the Bremer Student Center with a variety of games such as basketball, volleyball, and table tennis. Sport tournaments are offered throughout the year. OC Recreation also sponsors events such as the Fitness Challenge & Student Appreciation Day. The OC Fitness Center is also open to all current students with a current quarter sticker and current ID card.

Contact Information

Recreation Activities
Bremer Student Center
360-475-7462, OCRecreation@olympic.edu
www.olympic.edu/student-life/olympic-college-recreation

For the fitness center, visit
www.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: 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

Residence Hall
360-479-0840, Reslife@olympic.edu
www.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, Armed Forces, Environmental

Outreach, Phi Theta Kappa, Polynesian Club, Photography Club, Clay Club and many more.

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To join or start a student club, visit the club website at www.olympic.edu/student-life/student-clubs, or go to the SGOC office located in the Bremer Student Center, room 118 at OC Bremerton.

For the most up-to-date list of student clubs, see www.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 Bremer Student Center, is a place for students to share ideas, voice concerns, 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. Annual elections for student government officers are held in May for the next academic year.

Student Government Sponsorship

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

Student Government Officer Positions

Elected

- President
- Executive Vice President
- Vice President of Student Affairs
- Vice President of Public Relation and Communication
- Vice President-Shelton Campus
- Vice President-Poulsbo Campus

Appointed

- Vice President of Finances
- Vice President of Diversity and Equity

Contact Information

Student Government of Olympic College
Bremer Student Center, Rm. 118
360-475-7290, sgoc@olympic.edu
www.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 newspaper, offers students interested in writing, editing, photography, graphic design and advertising the opportunity to hone their skills in both the print and online editions. The print edition is published every month during each quarter (except summer) and has been recognized for excellence by the Society of Professional Journalists, the Washington Press Association, the Washington Community College Journalism Association, College Media Advisers and the Associated Collegiate Press. Students work in a collaborative environment with the journalism adviser.

Contact Information

The Ranger Student Newspaper
Technical Building, Rm. 101
360-475-7690, news@olympic.edu
www.olympic.edu/student-life/ranger

College Resources

Olympic College provides many resources to enhance learning and increase the chances of 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 Olympic College 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: www.olympic.edu/services/access-services-students-disabilities