Degrees & Certificates

- 32 associate degree programs and 18 credit certificate programs in engineering technologies, computer and business information technologies, health technologies, public services and safety, and Arts & Sciences. For a complete listing of degrees and certificates, visit cotc.edu/academics/pages/degrees-and-certificates.aspx
- 15% of courses offered online and 2% blended/hybrid courses; the Associate of Business Management Technology is available completely online.
- Top declared majors: Health Services Technology, Nursing Technology, Business Management Technology, Associate of Arts and Associate of Science.
- Through the college’s Workforce Development Innovation Center (WDIC), professional education and training programs ranging from technical skill enhancement and safety certifications, to soft skills development and professional designation exam preparation are offered.

NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT Central Ohio Technical College is committed to building and maintaining a diverse community to reflect human diversity, and to improve opportunities for all. The college is committed to equal opportunity and eliminating discrimination. This commitment is both a moral imperative consistent with an intellectual community that celebrates individual differences and diversity, as well as a matter of law Central Ohio Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, protected veteran status, or any other basis under the law; in its activities, programs, admission and employment. General information, questions, concerns or complaints related to these matters are to be directed to the Title IX Coordinator Holly Moore, Warner Center Suite 236, Ohio State Newark/COTC, 1179 University Drive, Newark, Ohio 43055-1797 (740-364-9578) or ADA/504 Coordinator Connie Zang at the same location.

VISION
Central Ohio Technical College will be recognized as Ohio’s premier technical college focused on student success as well as for excellence in workforce development and technical education.

MISSION
The mission of Central Ohio Technical College is to meet the higher education and training needs of students and employers in the area.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:
- Commitment to technical education. Since its founding in 1971, COTC’s purpose was and continues to be to provide students with technical skills and professional training designed to meet the immediate employment needs of new and existing businesses. Technical education is even more relevant today. The integration of academics and applied career preparation to enhance student learning is essential in meeting the workforce demands and economic development needs of the people, businesses and communities with a primary focus in Coshocton, Knox and Licking Counties. COTC continues to be well aligned with local employer needs and economic development goals.
- Access. Increasing access to higher education for all Ohio residents is a primary goal of The University System of Ohio. At COTC, we seek out ways to encourage students to access higher education while we maintain affordability in our programs and services. We are committed to providing education to all those who seek it, recognizing their diversity and needs.
- Student Centered. We believe in providing a learner-centered environment offering quality instruction, resources and services and presenting challenging opportunities for the continued growth, development and success of our students. The college assists students in clarifying their lifelong goals, fostering entrepreneurship, developing interpersonal skills and maximizing their potential.
- Maximize our unique partnership with The Ohio State University. COTC shares its Newark campus with The Ohio State University at Newark. The two institutions have complementary missions and a collaborative relationship that benefits everyone—from students, to staff, to faculty, to the community at large. The college’s co-located status significantly increases the range and quality of facilities and programs that the community and COTC students, faculty and staff can access and utilize. Given the state’s scarcity of resources for support of public education, the college’s ability to continue maximizing its collaborative partnership with The Ohio State University will result in the effective utilization of resources to provide quality education and services for students and the community.

STUDENT PROFILE
As of October 2017

- 13 Average class size
- 23 Average age
- 29% Over age 25

- 4 HLC approved campuses
- 534 2016 COTC graduates
- 67% female
- 33% male
- 19% Minority students
- 62% Low-income Pell-eligible students

Points of Pride
2016 & 2017

A 2-year progress report on the college’s strategic plan, Focusing on our Purpose, 2014-2020

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# of students COTC currently serves
3491
13
23
29%

Average class size
Average age
Over age 25

HLC approved campuses
Newark, Coshocton, Knox & Pataskala

191 Minority students
62% Low-income Pell-eligible students

4 Take classes online
935 Take classes at a high school location

1227 High school students take College Credit Plus classes

80% Part-time students
18% Graduate from COTC
13% Transfer to other schools*

* Data source: COTC’s Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness, 2017
Priority 1: Enhance Student Success

• Thanks to generous donors and continued growth in scholarships, COTC awarded more than $600,000 in privately funded scholarships to 387 students in the 2016-17 academic year.

• COTC students are earning associate degrees faster than students at other Ohio community colleges. The Ohio Association of Community Colleges reported that students who began a degree at COTC in 2012 graduated in 3.7 years; lower than the 4.3 average.

• Spring 2016 diagnostic medical sonography graduates earned the highest overall credentialing exam pass rates in the last decade: 96% of general sonography and 82% of cardiovascular majors were credentialed within one year of graduation.

• 100% of COTC’s 2016 radiologic science technology graduates passed the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists certification exam on their first attempt.

• In 2016, COTC associate degree nursing graduates exceeded the national pass rate for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.

• All students who completed the COTC Basic Police Academy also passed the Peace Officer Basic Training exam.

• COTC was awarded a $24,000 DASH Grant from the Great Lakes Higher Education Corporation and Affiliates to fund grants for students encountering a financial emergency.

• COTC was approved to become the Student-Athlete Visitor Program to accept students on F-1 Visas at all four campus locations.

• COTC was named to the 2016 Military Friendly Schools list, honoring the top 20% of colleges in the country doing the most to welcome America’s military service members, veterans, and spouses of students.

• A meditation room for students, faculty and staff opened in the spring of 2017.

• A mobile app for students, Ellician GO, was released, making campus information more easily accessible from mobile devices.

• The new Path to Success Scholarship will reduce the cost of a degree for eligible students by more than 10%.

• A new student planning system and a new eTranscripts program to streamline student records processes were implemented.

• A new, more robust Gateway call center system has enabled faster response and more streamlined service.

• The implementation of multiple measures for placement into entry-level courses proves effective. Ongoing evaluation confirms that students placed into courses on the basis of high school GPA outperform students placed into entry level math and English on the basis of other measures. In addition to saving money and time, appropriate placement enables students to proceed with a higher rate of successful completion of courses and a degree.

• The student self-service portion of the college’s ERP, Ellician, was implemented by the Office of Financial Aid to give students an easier way to view and understand the financial aid process.

• Counseling staff were recognized as Star Behavioral Health Providers who provide specialized training in treating military service members and their families.

Priority 2: Provide Job-Focused, Career Driven Academic Programming

• New certificate programs: bookkeeping skills, human resources management, office administration, basic culinary skills, and basic baking and pastry skills.

• A tactical training room for hands-on learning for law enforcement technology program students was created in Adena Hall.

• The Franklin County Coroner’s Office became a practicum site for criminal justice technology students, and firearms training and OPOTA certification became available.

• Online documentation system training in HSV-130 for human services technology students allowed students to gain on-the-job readiness documentation skills. This specific training gives COTC students a job advantage, and area agencies benefit with new hires trained in a system used widely in the field.

• The college acquired more than 31 acres of pristine, wooded property on Country Club Drive in Newark, donated by the Lamnien family. The property will be preserved for teaching and research purposes.

• The newly renovated Adena Recreation Center opened in 2017. The 10,000 square foot fitness center is LEED certified as an energy efficient/sustainable building.

• In partnership with The Ohio State University, a new 40,000 square foot Newark campus residence hall, Jane C. and William T. McConnell Hall, opened in fall 2017 with 120 student beds.

• The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) approved COTC’s partnership with the Ohio Department of Commerce, Ohio Fire Academy and Adena Health System for the Associate of Science in Fire Science Technology, and the Associate of Applied Science in Fire Science Technology. The HLC also approved the GPA as a college site. COTC plans to offer the paramedic certificate program at this new location.

• COTC is collaborating with Barnes & Noble and CBG Architects to streamline student records processes were implemented.

• COCC celebrated its 45th anniversary in 2016 and held several ceremonies;

• The COTC Knox Campus, Ariel Hall, was the Knox County Chamber of Commerce 2017 Business of the Year.

• COTC’s Workforce Development Innovation Center (WDIC) and the human services technology program provided case management workshops to Ohio counties to support the statewide Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program efforts of Ohio Means Jobs.

• COTC collaborated with Coshocton County Job and Family Services to provide degree individualized completion paths for its employees.

• In financial aid staff presented at 15 high schools in the spring of 2017, participated in two Calls to College FAFSA workshops and presented at TrueCore Federal Credit Union. In 2017, they partnered with Denison University in the Explore College program, which involves middle school parents.

• Over 400 students from 24 different high schools competed in COTC’s 5th Egg Drop engineering technology competition.

• COTC’s Coshocton campus received the “Planting Pride in Coshocton” 2016 and 2017 award for the second and third consecutive years.

• COTC’s General Education program, TrueCore Federal Credit Union and Licking/Knox Goodwill Industries, Inc. to help COTC students stay in school and on track for graduation. TrueCore provided matching funds of up to $4,000 in 2017 and $8,000 in 2018. COTC partnership with TrueCore support for the pay the cost of repairs to a student’s vehicle performed by Licking/Knox Goodwill.

• COTC brought the Licking County Library’s “Library-in-a-Box” 24-hour library to its Pataskala campus parking lot.

• The WDIC hosted the COTC Business and Education Conference in October 2017.

• The WDIC was awarded a $148,000 training grant to enhance employability skills, create career pathway readiness and promote professional and personal performance for those in the Licking County Job and Family Services Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program.

• The WDIC partnered with Owens Corning to develop and deliver a collegiate-level of their apprentice model, and contracted with AEP Conesville to advance the training and education for its Machine Shop team.

• The Office of Career Development partnered for the first time with the Career Center to hold a virtual career fair, hosting a record 153 employers with 242 participants.

• The college participated in the Licking County Food Pantry Network’s Operation Feed, reaching the goal of 10,000 food items and raising $100 in cash donations. Additionally, in partnership with the Licking County Food Pantry, Campus Corner, a food pantry for students was opened on the Newark campus in 2017.

• Seventeen COTC and Ohio State Newark students attended the Habitat for Humanity College Challenge alternative spring break in Birmingham, Alabama.

Priority 3: Strengthen Community Connections

• COTC was ranked #1 in Ohio and #19 in the nation by Payscale in the 2016-17 annual College salary report ranking the best community colleges and career colleges by salary potential.

• Early childhood education technology received re-accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children. In 2016, COTC’s Basic Police Academy was ranked #2 academically in the state for open enrollment police academy classes and #5 overall for all academies (52 total).

• COTC’s electrical engineering technology, architectural engineering technology, civil engineering technology and mechanical engineering technology programs received international accreditation by the Engineering Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET).

• Business management technology received international accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs.

• Fire science technology received international accreditation from the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSA) and is the only IFSA accredited program in central Ohio.

• Practial nursing had a successful survey from the Ohio Board of Nursing (OBN) and received full approval for five years.

• Associate degree nursing received full approval from its OBN survey. The program was re-accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing and is approved for pre-candidacy for pursuit of the National League for Nursing Commission on Accreditation (CNAC).

• Radiologic science technology was re-accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology for the maximum of eight years.

• Human services technology received endorsement with the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board.

• Human services technology received the social work assistant curriculum endorsement with the Ohio Coalition of Associate Degree Human Service Educators.

• The National Council for Marketing and Public Relations awarded COTC a 2017 Bronze Paragon in the brochure category.

• The Workforce Development Innovation Center (WDIC) received the Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association Program Excellence Award for significant contributions to higher education in Ohio through excellent program development.

• For the 5th year in a row, AEP recognized COTC and Ohio State Newark for energy efficiency.

• The League for Innovation in the Community College honored the WDIC with an Innovation of the Year Award.

• Skype for Business was implemented across all campus locations.

• COTC will move IT services to The Ohio State University Office of the Chief Information Officer. This move offers value-added services to students, including secure data center, upgraded wireless internet and 24/7 Help Desk services.

• The new Facilities Operations Building was LEED Certified.

• COTC’s Phi Theta Kappa chapter, an international two-year college honor society, received a REACH award for the percentage of eligible students accepting membership in 2016-17.

Education that pays

COTC is a top choice for high school students and prospective students in the region. The school has earned high rankings and accolades in a variety of areas, including academic excellence, affordability, and career success.