



Onondaga Pathways to Careers (OPC) at Onondaga Community College (OCC)

...for Young People with Disabilities

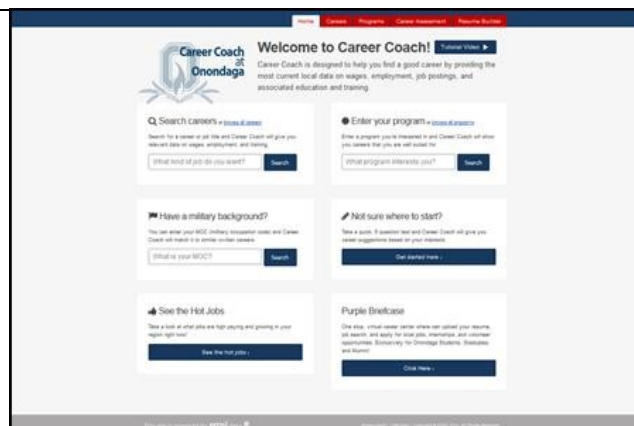
Greetings!

SCSD Scholars Complete Bridge Program

The first cohort of SCSD Scholars completed their program of study with OPC on June 24th, celebrating their efforts and accomplishments during a small ceremony held in the Bistro at OCC. All five (5) Scholars received Certificates of Completion for the commitments they made to the OPC Scholars program throughout the spring. The students were also preparing to graduate from their local high schools that same weekend. All 5 Scholars have either been accepted to OCC for the fall, or have expressed intent to apply to OCC for fall attendance. The model will continue for the coming academic year, but with expanded reach. The OPC Scholar's 2016-17 cohort will likely include students from SCSD, as well as the Liverpool, West Genesee and Cicero-North Syracuse school districts and OCM BOCES.

Students Receiving Special Education Services Spend a Day Exploring Careers

During the month of June, eleven students at Tully High School and nine eighth-grade students at OCM BOCES' McEvoy Campus in Cortland were provided with interactive individualized career exploration workshops. The workshops were guided by OPC Recruiter, Dean Tzivanis, who facilitated the experience by teaching the students how to use OCC's/OPC's on-line Career Coach tool. [Career Coach](#) is available for free on the OCC site, for any prospective OCC student.



Learning Center Resources for OCC's Summer Students



It's never too late to get help for summer classes! The Learning Center offers free tutoring Monday-Thursday, 10 am- 6 pm, for students taking an OCC class during the summer. Students can also borrow a laptop to use on-site or utilize our space to work on projects with classmates or to study independently. Stop by The Learning Center, Gordon 202, Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am – 6 pm, and Friday 8 am- 4 pm or call 498-2103 for more information.

OPC Staff Attend

NYS Disability Services Council Conference

Nancy Carr, Director of Accessibility Resources and Meaghan Bodemer, OPC Educational Coordinator, attended the New York State Disability Services Council Spring Conference from June 21-23. Held at the Inn on the Lake in Canandaigua, NY, more than 90 disability service providers, specialists and professionals from across New York State came together to discuss best practices and updates within their field. Some session topics included managing emotional support animals, assistive technology and accessibility, captioning and promoting inclusion.

Coming soon:

- **Week of July 11th thru 15th – OPC Info Sessions at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. – [RSVP on-line!](#)**
- **Every Thursday - through July 14th - OCC Connect Sessions**
- **Newly-Admitted OPC Students! [Register on-line](#) for Your Summer Academy/Orientation! See date for each major, below:**
 - **July 20th – All-Day Academy for OPC's New Computer Majors (CFS; CIS & CSC)**
 - **July 26th – All-Day Academy for OPC's New Mechanical/Electrical Technology & Advanced Manufacturing Majors**

- August 3rd – All-Day Academy for OPC’s New Electronic Media Communications Majors

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