

# What is OPC?

The Onondaga Pathways to Careers (OPC) project is an opportunity for young people with disabilities to enroll at Onondaga Community College, earn a credential, and acquire a job that pays a living wage. Students can enroll in the following programs toward filling open positions in and around Syracuse:

- Health Information Technology
- Advanced Manufacturing
- Mechanical Technology
- Computer Information Systems
- Electrical Technology

These are not minimum wage positions, but offer living wages and opportunities for promotion. Skilled workers are needed.

## Mentoring & Services:

OCC offers several academic and support services on campus:

- Comprehensive disability service support
- Academic tutoring and study skill development
- Career planning, interview preparation, and internships
- Admission guidance, advising, and benefits counseling
- Opportunities to live on campus

In addition, individualized support from OPC staff help students connect with services and resources to experience success.

## Requirements:

1. high school diploma or equivalency
2. documented disability that substantially limits a major life activity
3. 24 years of age or younger (when beginning the program)



**TRAINING. SKILLS. JOBS.**

**To learn more about Onondaga Pathways to Careers, email us at [OPC@sunyocc.edu](mailto:OPC@sunyocc.edu) or call (315) 498-2000.**

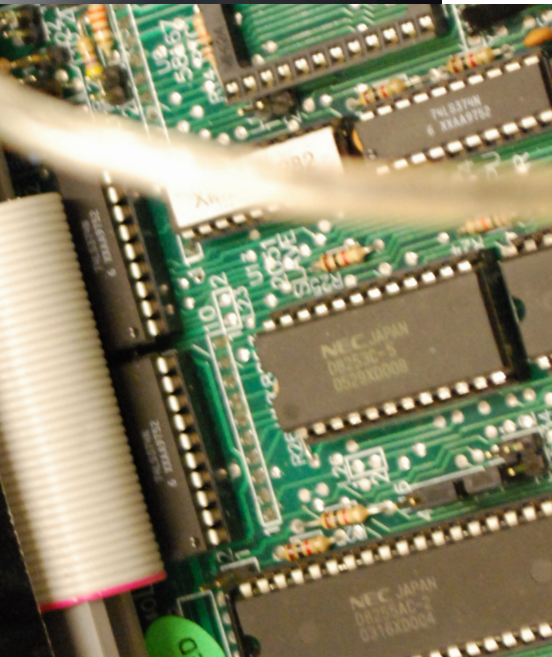
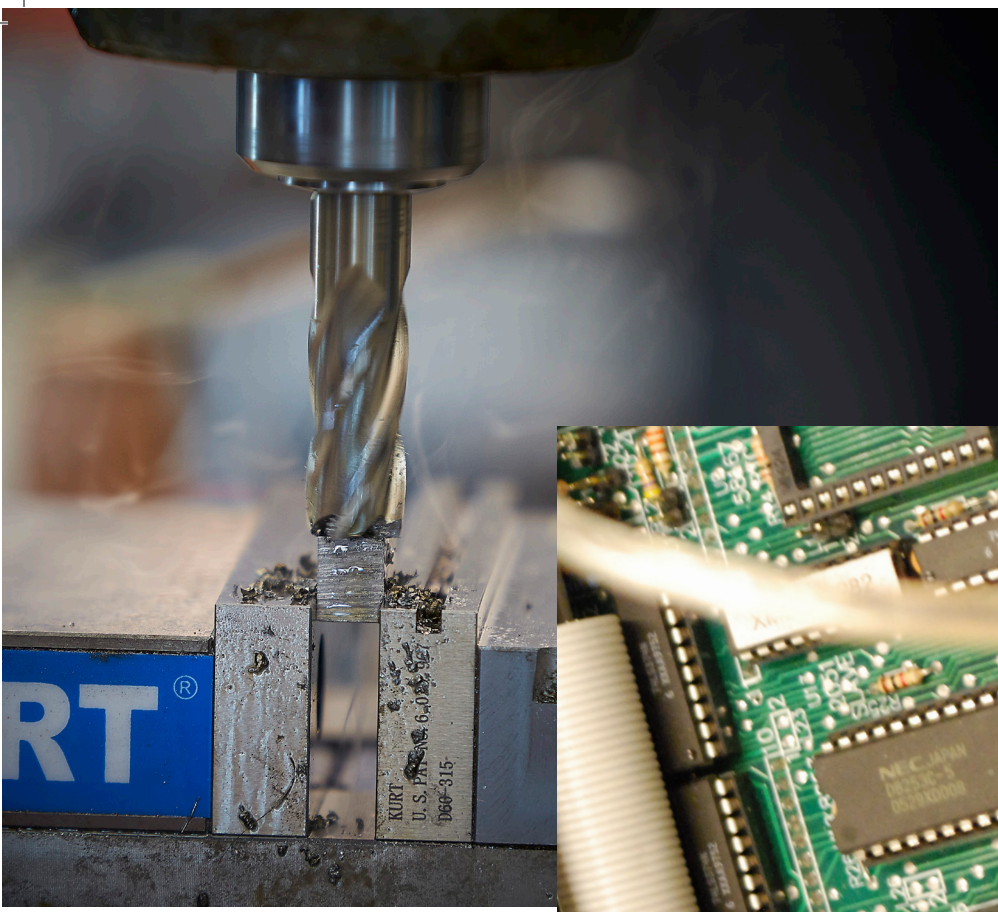


**Onondaga Pathways to Careers**  
*for young people with disabilities*



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### Electrical Technology

Today's sophisticated workplace demands high-tech professionals who can successfully put their knowledge and skills to work. This degree program is an excellent place to begin a career as an engineering technician. Students will learn to construct, test, analyze, troubleshoot and repair systems reflective of modern technology using real-world engineering tools. Program graduates enter jobs in electronics, communications, power, industrial control, service, and sales.

### Health Information Technology

Every time a patient receives treatment, a record is created. Each one is essential for quality patient care and the financial health of hospitals, clinics, nursing homes and doctor's offices. Health Information Technology is one of the fastest growing careers in the country. This accredited degree program provides students with the education and credentials sought after by employers. Through clinical experiences, for instance, students acquire the communication skills needed to assist health care professionals clarify diagnoses and meet documentation requirements.



### PROGRAMS:

#### Advanced Manufacturing

Local manufacturers are challenged with finding skilled labor to handle sophisticated production processes and tasks. The Advanced Manufacturing – Machining certificate is designed to provide the foundation and hands-on experience necessary for students to gain employment as machinists and apprentices, machine operators, tool and die makers, machine setters, and tool grinders.

#### Computer Information Systems

No two semesters are the same in this program. It constantly evolves, just as technology and computers do. Students will explore the latest applications, software and hardware as new developments emerge in the field. Courses in information technology concepts and issues, data communications, program development, and systems analysis help build a core understanding of the field. The program prepares students for jobs in junior-level programming, networking, technical support, web design, and web maintenance.



#### Mechanical Technology

OCC's mechanical technology program provides a background in engineering drawing, manufacturing processes, machining, CADD, and material science to ready you for the professional world. Inspection techniques, computer drafting, and software analysis – these are just a few of the concepts you will learn in our curriculum. Implementing, analyzing, and improving technology will become your top professional priorities. The program prepares graduates for positions as CAD drafters and designers, mechanical technicians, test technicians, quality control technicians, materials lab technicians, machinists, and apprentices.