



Parent Newsletter - September 2020

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Upcoming Events

For a list of virtual events you and your student may be interested in attending, check our **Upcoming Events** page.



Be a Star for a Day: Visit Campus!

What better way for your student to decide if Oklahoma City University feels like the right fit than a **campus visit**?

- The Office of Undergraduate Admissions offers campus tours and admission presentations Monday-Friday at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. During your family's visit to campus, you will meet with an admissions counselor to learn about programs and scholarship opportunities available at OCU, meet with financial aid, and take a campus tour with one of our Gold Star Ambassadors.
- Visits with faculty, staff, and other departments are available via Zoom at this time. Masks are required of all visitors on campus. If you do not have a mask, we will provide you with one.
- For the safety of our staff, guides, and visitors, our campus tour is an outdoor tour only.
- Walk-in visitors are not accepted, you must register for a visit.

Please be aware that some visit dates and activities are limited due to campus holidays and events. Try to schedule your student's visit early so we can accommodate all your family's needs. **CLICK HERE** to schedule a visit today!

Virtually Visit OCU From Home

We look forward to having you on Oklahoma City University's campus in the fall, but know you may not have visited campus yet.

[Watch our Video Campus Tour](#)

[Check out our 360 Virtual Tour](#)



Let's Talk About Oklahoma City University!

Oklahoma City University is a coeducational, urban, private university located in the heart of Oklahoma City. Established in 1904, OCU is affiliated with the United Methodist Church and offers more than 70 **undergraduate degree programs** in the liberal arts, sciences, business, nursing, religion, and performing arts.

As a city that redefines itself, Oklahoma City's hip, spirited environment blends with its deep western heritage to create a place where culture and commerce thrive. With renowned festivals, national sporting events, treasure-filled museums and a variety of districts highlighting arts and entertainment, the possibilities for adventure and fun in **Oklahoma City** are endless.

Personalized attention is maximized in the classroom; OCU has an 11:1 student-to-faculty ratio and averages 17 students in lower division classes and 13 students in upper division classes. **All classes are taught by professors, not teaching assistants**, and 78% of our faculty hold the highest degree in their fields.

Student Life

Learning outside of the classroom is just as important for OCU students as learning inside the classroom. OCU prides itself on service-learning opportunities. Eligible students can apply to participate in the **University Honors Program**, **President's Leadership Class**, **study abroad programs**, and much more. Similarly, OCU offers more than 80 student-led campus organizations, including nine national fraternities and sororities. And if that wasn't enough, OCU offers stellar **NAIA athletics** for men and women. Whether your student is an athlete or a fan, it's always a blast to cheer on the Stars as they compete for the next NAIA championship (69 and counting!).

Apply

If your student has not yet applied, the **application** is available online. Students may apply through the Common Application or through our

institutional application. OCU offers rolling admissions, but in order to be considered for the full range of scholarships, including competitive, students need to be admitted by February 1, 2021.

We are aware of the current difficulties facing students as they apply for college this year, from testing availability to the impact of COVID-19 on success in the classroom. Please know that we are evaluating our admissions process and deadlines to provide as much flexibility as possible when working with Fall 2021 students.

In addition to the online application, your student must submit an application essay, official high school transcripts, a high school counselor letter of recommendation, official SAT and/or ACT scores (optional), and a \$55 application fee. We also recommend your student answer all questions on the application, as well as provide an additional letter of recommendation and activities, service and leadership resume to give them the best consideration for competitive scholarships.

Once the completed application is received, your student's admissions counselor will review the application file and make a decision.

Should you have any concerns about your situation, please do not hesitate to **contact your admissions counselor**. We are here to help and cannot wait to get to know you and your student!

[Apply Now!](#)

Scholarship Opportunities

OCU offers exceptional financial support. **More than 90% of students receive academic, merit, performance, or need-based financial aid.** This amounts to

more than \$34 million awarded annually. With all OCU has to offer, it is easy to see why our students and their families consider OCU to be a great value. When you apply for admission to Oklahoma City University, you are automatically considered for academic and departmental scholarships, which are both awarded based on ACT/SAT test scores and academic ability, as indicated by grade point average. To receive any OCU departmental and merit-based scholarships, incoming fall 2021 freshmen must submit their application and all required documents by the priority deadline of March 1, 2021. Additionally, there are many competitive scholarships available to help fund an OCU education. Your student's admissions counselor will refer your student for any competitive scholarships for which your student may qualify.



A Minute to Learn It - Applying for Financial Aid |...

Playlist: Applying for Financial Aid
A Minute to Learn It - Applying for Financial Aid Here are 4 tips when applying for financial aid.to have the greatest access to financial aid funds.There is no fee to apply for financial aid.Be aware of scams ...

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