

Entrance Requirements

Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College has an “open door” admissions policy which allows students who meet the following requirements to enroll:

1. Graduates holding diplomas from secondary schools upon presentation of certified credentials.
2. Students 18 years of age or older, not possessing a high school diploma, but who can present evidence of being able to successfully pursue, and to profit from, the proposed course of study. Placement tests will be used as a counseling tool to help the student determine the course of study in which he or she has the greatest possibility of experiencing success.
3. Under certain circumstances approved by the College President, an applicant under the age of 18, who has not graduated from high school, may be considered for enrollment through a special agreement between the College and the principal of the school where the applicant is attending or last attended.
4. Applicants must meet an established minimum reading requirements to be admitted to Associate Degree and Diploma programs, as well as to Certificate programs that require general education competencies. Applicants who do not possess minimum reading competencies for selected programs may require further assessment or referral to other community agencies prior to enrollment at OCtech.

General Admissions Procedures

To be accepted as a student at OCtech, an applicant must complete the following requirements or meet other multiple measures as published:

1. Complete a free application, which can be obtained from the Office of Admissions, or apply online at www.octech.edu.
2. Take the college placement test designed to aid counselors and advisors in determining the best course of study for each student. Qualifying ACT or SAT scores, or other designated criteria, may also be presented in lieu of the college placement test. Please contact the Office of Admissions for details on the required scores/criteria.
3. Submit official high school or GED transcript. Submit official college transcripts from all colleges attended.
4. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.FAFSA.ed.gov.
5. Meet with the Advising Center Staff to register for classes during the scheduled registration period.

Each curriculum has established admissions criteria. The applicant should apprise him/herself of these through contact with a member of the Admissions staff.

Students will receive notification of acceptance by the Office of Admissions after all admissions requirements are met.