

NEW STUDENT

Trail Guide

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OHIO CHRISTIAN
UNIVERSITY



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Welcome to

OHIO CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

From its founding, Ohio Christian University has been committed to rigorous and open inquiry with a shared understanding that commitment to the Word of God is the defining feature of the University.

We understand that “all truth is God's truth” and, therefore, are open to the wide variety of contributions that come from research and discovery, as well as corporate worship and cultural engagement.

As you embark on this next journey, remember that at Ohio Christian University you will also learn to understand how this adventure fits into the larger story of God's love and His plan for your life. You will be advised by faculty mentors, challenged to think deeply, and encouraged by a community of learners dedicated to your academic achievement as well as your spiritual formation. More importantly, you will get to know the Author of your story ... and all stories. It has never been a better time to be at Ohio Christian University – we look forward to welcoming you!

Our Mission

Ohio Christian University prepares students to serve effectively
in the church and society by providing a holistic,
Christ-centered, biblically integrated education in the Wesleyan tradition.

504-Compliance

Ohio Christian University is committed to its entire student body. The 504 Compliance Officer is responsible for coordinating OCU's efforts in complying with applicable Federal and State laws and regulations, including the University's duty to address any inquiries or complaints regarding discrimination or denial of equal access. Information and forms can be located via the following ohiochristian.edu/about/nondiscriminatory-policy.

Additionally, questions or comments may be directed to: Ohio Christian University /

Attn: David Penningson, 504 Compliance Officer / 1476 Lancaster Pike, Circleville, OH 43113

Phone Number: 740-420-5906. Fax Number: 866-510-2708. Complianceofficer@ohiochristian.edu

How can we help you?

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR



Drop by or contact us to...

- Register for classes
- Confirm athletic eligibility
- Verify enrollment
- Get documents you need
- Change your schedule
- Request transcripts

Hours

Monday-Friday, 8:00 am–5:00 pm



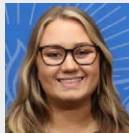
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my.ohiochristian.edu/registrar | registrar@ohiochristian.edu
Registrar Helpdesk: 740.477.7780 | Fax: 887.833.9910



Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Team would like to welcome you to campus! We want you to know that we are here for you! Our team is eager to help you manage your school costs and finances in any way that we can. Please do not hesitate to come see us or contact us by phone or e-mail. We look forward to working with you this year!

Justin Pichey

Interim Director of Financial Aid
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Tyleah Alley

Financial Aid Counselor
talley@ohiochristian.edu | 740.497.4586

Nita Surbaugh,

Financial Aid Assistant
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Hours & Location

Monday-Friday 8:30am–5:00pm,
Graham Administration Building
Text: 740.420.5944 | finaid@ohiochristian.edu

Need help with technology?



We're here to help you!

Logins, Microsoft Office setup, and internet connectivity.

Email: blazertech@ohiochristian.edu | Website: it.ohiochristian.edu

Phone: 740.420.5907

BLAZERTECH HOURS:

MON - FRI

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SAT - SUN

Closed

Located on the 2nd floor of the Maxwell Library

SECURITY

The OCU Security Department's purpose is to enhance the quality of life and provide a safe environment of higher education for university students, staff and faculty.

PERSONAL EMERGENCY HOURS & LOCATION

Office hours are Monday-Friday
9:00am–3:00pm

Located on the 2nd Floor of the
Dean & Diana Hickman Student
Center, beside Student Development

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

The Security Department is hereto serve you in the following areas:

- Replacement of university I.D.s (\$25)
- Information regarding the status of any parking citations or appeals
- Campus Lost and Found
- Clarification of handbook policies regarding the Security Department
- After-hours Safety Escort
- Rave alert issues



Recreational Internet Use

[Click to Connect!](#)

You can connect your entertainment devices to the university internet via Wi-Fi or hard-wired. Your laptops, phones, and tablets can connect to OCUNet by using your OCU login. If you cannot access the network ports in your room, or your device doesn't have that option, click the button above to fill out our "Entertainment Device" form so we can help you connect your TV, game console, Roku, Apple TV, or any similar devices to Wi-Fi. Please always use the university network respectfully and responsibly.

SECURITY CAN BE CONTACTED | 740.412.5337

REGISTERING YOUR VEHICLE IS EASY!

Stop by the Security Office to complete the registration form and pick up a sticker for your car. Cost is \$10 for the entire academic year!

NOTIFICATION NETWORK

OCU uses the Rave Emergency Alert System. In the case of an emergency on campus, you will receive a phone call, text message and/or email alerting you of the situation. Please see the Security team if you have any issues receiving your Rave alerts.

CONTACT INFO | ohiochristian.edu/security

Contact 24/7 740.420.5937

Email security@ohiochristian.edu



Chief Mark Leist



Off. Max Lattimer



ohiochristian.edu/myocu/ocu-library/maxwell-library

HOURS

Mon – Thu 7:30 am – 10:00 pm // Fri 7:30 am – 5:00 pm

OUR MISSION

The library staff is dedicated to providing students the support and resources needed for successful, scholarly university studies. We are here to field your questions, guide your research process, help with finding appropriate resources, and providing study/meeting spaces for both your individual and group activities.

LIBRARY CARDS

For on campus students, your OCU ID card serves as your library card. ID cards are issued during Orientation and throughout the year as needed. Privileges begin upon issuance, providing access to both physical materials and electronic resources. These ID cards are valuable assets warranting the same protection given other online accounts. For your protection, please report lost or stolen cards as soon as possible. The barcode # printed on the card provides students access to OCU and OhioLINK physical materials and electronic resources.

RESOURCES AT THE MAXWELL LIBRARY

- 59,000 print books in OCU's catalog
- 35,000 ebooks owned by OCU
- Through OhioLINK

OHIOLINK LIBRARY CONSORTIUM

Together, OhioLINK and its member libraries provide access to:

- more than 38 million books and other library materials
- more than 100 electronic journal articles
- 37 million electronic journal articles
- 241,000 e-books
- nearly 85,000 images, videos, and sounds
- more than 100,000 theses and dissertations from students at 36 Ohio institutions.

LIBRARY CATALOG

ohiolink-ocu.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/discovery/search?vid=01OHIOLINK_OCU:OCU

Primo VE provides OCU students with a modern-day search engine experience tailored to the academic environment. In a single search, students can navigate multiple resources and resource types, discovering both full-text, scholarly electronic content and physical items help by other OhioLink member libraries. Access is also available on the library page of OCU's website.

COMPUTER AVAILABILITY

The library houses 19 computers and one high-performance printer.

OUR STAFF



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maxwell.library.ocu

Student Development

CAMPUS LIFE

The Office of Student Development is here to assist you on your journey as a Traditional student and provide you a way to get connected to people and events on campus. The Residence Life team is trained to guide students through their time as students at OCU. They work to help students live well in community, be engaged on campus, and mentor students toward their God-given calling in life. The Commuter Student Coordinator's role is designed to assist and connect commuter students to campus events, opportunities and ministries outside the classroom.

The Student Engagement team focuses on engages students in activities, programs, and events that guide them to a vision of the "good life" through Christian community. SIC offers campus wide activities, the HUB game room, and the lounge/study areas around the Hickman Student Center. Services offered are community building activities, career development, off-campus study experiences, campus recreation, and more!

Spiritual Formation is here to assist you in your spiritual journey during your time here on campus. All spiritual formation attendances can be earned through chapel, Awaken, or Global Café. A total of 27 attendances must be recorded to successfully meet the requirement each semester.



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Mark your Calendars!

AUGUST

- 16 SIC Game Show – 7:30P
- 17 The Challenge – 2:00P
Ice Cream Chill Out – 8:00P
- 18 Dorm Wars – 8:00P
- 19 Campus Worship Night – 6:30P
- 22 Quad Bash – 6:30P
- 23 Movie on the Lawn – 8:30P
- 26 HUB Specials Kick-Off

SEPTEMBER

- 24 Community Action Day
- 25 Cash Conquest

OCTOBER

- 09 Torch Run + Bonfire Bash
- 16-17 Fall Break / Pumpkin Show
- 27 Trunk or Treat

NOVEMBER

- 07 Staff vs Students
- 07-08 Wizard of Oz
- 14 studiOCU
- 20 Trim the Trees
- 26-28 Thanksgiving Break

DECEMBER

- 08 HUB Christmas Party + Late Night Breakfast
- 08-12 Finals Week

More Events to Come!

Follow @ocu_sic on Instagram so you don't miss out on anything!

University Mailroom

mailroom@ohiochristian.edu | 740.477.7756

HOURS

Mon - Thu 9:00 am-5:00 pm // Fri 9:00 am-4:00 pm // Sat 12:00 pm-4:00 pm

The mailroom is located inside The Connection Bookstore within the Student Center. Stamps, envelopes, boxes, packing material and shipping tape are available for purchase.

When a student receives a package or piece of mail, the mailroom will send a notification email to the student's OCU email account upon arrival. Mailroom staff will only release mail to the individual to whom it is addressed. Student ID is required to pick up mail and packages.

WHAT IS MY OCU ADDRESS?

First and Last name
1476 Lancaster Pike
Circleville OH 43113

THE MAILROOM SELLS...

- ✓ stamps
- ✓ envelopes
- ✓ boxes
- ✓ packing material
- ✓ shipping tape





Two minds better than one?

VISIT THE BRIDGE TUTORING CENTER

A significant part of your university experience is centered on your academic enrichment. The Bridge Tutoring Center is committed to your academic success and offers a variety of support services to help you reach your academic goals.

ACADEMIC COACHING

Academic coaching provides students with a peer mentor who will help you navigate your courses and develop good time management and study skills. Academic coaches can meet with you on an individual basis and customize the session according to your specific needs.

ONE-ON-ONE TUTORING

One-on-one tutoring is available for all subjects.

JOHN AND SHERRY TAYLOR MATH LAB

Devoted to the students of Ohio Christian, John and Sherry Taylor dedicated their lives to help OCU students succeed in all areas but were extremely passionate about math literacy and success. The Math Lab was created by Sherry Taylor while she was Director of the Bridge in 2016. The John and Sherry Taylor Math Lab provides you with all of your quantitative and qualitative math-based courses.

THE WRITING CENTER

Much of university course work involves writing, and the tutors at the Writing Center will assist you in becoming a better writer. Need help . . .

- *understanding a writing assignment?*
- *selecting a topic?*
- *organizing an outline?*
- *locating research?*
- *developing ideas?*
- *revising language?*
- *editing for correctness?*
- *understanding APA Documentation?*

Students can drop in during posted hours or schedule an appointment with a writing tutor.

CAREER SERVICES

At Ohio Christian University, your career journey is part of your calling. Career support for the Circleville campus is offered through the Bridge Tutoring Center, where academic success and career readiness go hand-in-hand. Whether you're exploring career options or crafting your resume, we're here to help you take the next step with confidence and purpose.

What We Offer

- Career Support Workshops: Watch announcements from The Bridge for workshop dates!
- Participate in mock interviews
- Write or revise your resume and cover letter
- Create a LinkedIn profile

For more information about OCU's Academic Support Services, or to schedule an appointment with an academic coach or tutor, email the Director of Academic Services, Christine Zimmerman, at **czimmerman@ohiochristian.edu** or visit her office on the first floor and east hallway of the Maxwell Library room (ML103).

CONNECT TO THE BRIDGE ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES AT

www.ohiochristian.edu/myocu/campus-student-information/bridge-academic-support-services

TO FIND: The Bridge Tutoring Center

John and Sherry Taylor Math Lab

The Writing Center

CONNECT TO CAREER SERVICES AT

www.ohiochristian.edu/myocu/career-services



Who's Got Talent?

SERVE WITH



VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL GROUPS

Chamber Singers University Chorale

Contact: Dione Bennett
dbennett1@ohiochristian.edu

Jazz Band | Pep Band

Contact: Erin Meissner
emeissner@ohiochristian.edu

Chapel Teams and Worship Collective

Contact: Stephanie Graves
stephaniegraves74@gmail.com



YOUR GIFTS



OhioChristianUniversityMusicDept
MusicDeptOCU
musicdeptocu

Academic Information

School of Business & Innovation

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OCUBIC, 2nd Floor

School of Education & Science

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School of Ministry & Theology

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Ministry & Performing Arts Center

School of Social & Behavioral Sciences

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Hickman Student Center, 2nd Floor



OCU Directory

Student Development

Hickman Student Center,
2ND Floor
740.477.7702

Financial Aid

Graham Administration Building,
2ND Floor
740.420.5944

Registrar's Office

Johnson Hall, 1ST Floor
740.477.7780

Bookstore

Hickman Student Center
740.420.5928

Mailroom

Hickman Student Center
(inside the Bookstore)
740.477.7756

Maxwell Library

740.477.7737

Campus Security

Hickman Student Center,
2ND Floor
740.412.5337

IT Helpdesk

Maxwell Library, 2ND Floor
740.420.5907

Marketing Communications

Johnson Hall, 2ND Floor
marketing@ohiochristian.edu
740.477.7815

Office of Campus Admissions

Welcome Center/Johnson Hall
740.477.7701

Conference Services

Ministry & Performing Arts Center
740.477.4519

Custodial Services

Executive Center, 1ST Floor
740.412.0726

Campus Dining Services

Hickman Student Center
740.477.7742

Office of Strategic Development

Executive Center, 2ND Floor
740.478.2296

Office of Provost

Executive Center, 2ND Floor
740.477.7729

Office of President

Executive Center, 2ND Floor
740.477.7713

Vital Medical Info

AREA HOSPITALS

Adena Health System

272 Hospital Road, Chillicothe, OH
740.779.7500

Ohio Health Berger Hospital

600 N. Pickaway St., Circleville, OH
888.477.8818

Fairfield Medical Center

401 N. Ewing St., Lancaster, OH
740.687.8000

PHYSICIANS

(GENERAL PRACTITIONER)

Circleville Family Health

140 Morris Rd., Circleville, OH
740.474.8818

Northridge Family Practice

610 Northridge Rd., Circleville, OH
740.474.3159

Pickaway Medical Group

1180 N. Court St., Circleville, OH
740.474.2174

OPTOMETRISTS

Eyes On Court

600 N Court St
740.477.2504

Kline Vision Inc

1340 N Court St
740.477.3937

Walmart Vision

159 E. Main St., Circleville, OH
740.477.3678

PHARMACIES

CVS Pharmacy

205 E. Main St., Circleville, OH
740.420.3137

Kroger Pharmacy

175 Lancaster Pk., Circleville, OH
740.477.5763

Schieber Family Pharmacy

212 Lancaster Pk., Circleville, OH
740.474.1971

Walmart Pharmacy

1470 Lancaster Pk., Circleville, OH
740.474.9898

DENTISTS

North Court Family Dentistry

1412 N. Court St., Circleville, OH
740.474.3861

Drs. Ely, Dubos & Stewart General Dentistry

1200 Lancaster Pike, Circleville, OH
740.474.1900

Comfort Dental

915 S Court St
740.334.4116

Banking and Lodging

LOCAL BANKING

Fifth Third Bank

159 E. Main St., Circleville, OH
740.474.6081

US Bank

166 E. Main St., Circleville, OH
740.474.2161

PNC Bank

136 E. Main St., Circleville, OH
740.474.8891

Chase

100 E. Main St., Circleville, OH
740.474.8811

Savings Bank

118 N. Court St., Circleville, OH
740.474.3191

Huntington Bank

1425 S. Court St., Circleville, OH
740.477.3051

Kingston National Bank

301 N Court St, Circleville, OH
740.474.2222

LOCAL LODGING

Holiday Inn Express

23911 U.S. 23, Circleville, OH
740.420.7711

Rodeway Inn

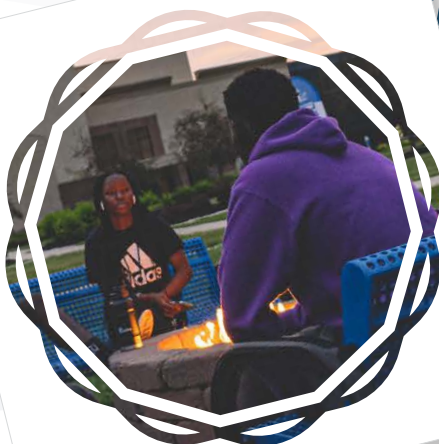
23897 U.S. 23, Circleville, OH
740.474.6006

Quality Inn

24517 U.S. 23, Circleville, OH
740.477.6116

Hampton Inn Circleville

1520 S Court St
740.248.5269



CIRCLEVILLE CHURCHES

Circleville First Baptist Church

1540 N. Court Street
740.474.6074

Circleville First Church of Christ in Christian Union

436 Ohio St.
740.474.2250

Heritage Nazarene Church

2264 Walnut Creek Pike
740.474.7350

Logan Elm Baptist Church

22530 Bolender Pontius Rd.
740.474.1614

Community United Methodist Church

120 N Pickaway St.
740.474.4796

Vineyard Church Circleville

152 W. Main Street

Crossroads Church

5679 Tarlton Road
740.474.7265

CIRCLEVILLE RESTAURANTS

Coffee & Bakery

Circleville Nutrition
Joyhouse
Lindsey's Bake Shop
Scioto Valley Coffee
Starbucks
Tim Horton's

Fast Food

Arby's
Burger King
Captain D's
Hardee's
Jersey Mike's
Jimmy Johns
KFC & Long John Silver
McDonald's
Rax
Sheetz
Sonic

Subway
Taco Bell
Taco Johns
Wendy's
White Castle

Ice Cream

Dairy Shed
Dairy Queen
United Dairy Farmers
Wittich's Candy

Pizza

Cristy's Pizza
Domino's
Donatos
Little Caesars
Pizza Cottage
Pizza Hut
Zanzi's Pizza

Restaurants

Bob Evans
Buffalo Wild Wings
Chipotle
City Barbeque
El Palomar
El Pedregal Mexican
Gibby's Eatery
Goodwin's
Grand Buffet
HOKKAIDO Sushi
& Hibachi
Los Mariachis
Mum Mum Hibachi
Panda Express
Richie's New York Deli
Rooster's
Taesty's
Watt Street Tavern

CIRCLEVILLE GYMS

Snap Fitness

1186 N Court St
740.420.7627

Anytime Fitness

23585-23591 US 23
740.207.5217

Planet Fitness

1460 Circleville Plaza Dr.
740.889.0000

YMCA

440 Nicholas Dr.
614.389.4650



1. **Ministry & Performing Arts Center (MPAC)**
Music Department, Theology & Ministry Department, Auditorium, Recital Hall, Classrooms
2. **Dean & Diana Hickman Student Center**
Dining Hall, The Connection Bookstore, The Hub, Student Development, School of Social & Behavioral Sciences, Campus Security, Mailroom, The Bridge Tutoring Center, Classrooms
3. **Maxwell Center**
Gymnasium, Dowler Conference Room, Concessions
4. **Executive Center**
Office of the President, Office of the Provost, Strategic Development, Athletics Department, Operations Department, Classrooms
5. **Maxwell Library**
Library, BlazerTech, The Writing Center, Classrooms
6. **Welcome Center/Johnson Hall**
Traditional Admissions, Registrar, Trailblazer Academy, Marketing Department, Classrooms
7. **Conley Ministry Center**
School of Education, Classrooms
8. **Detty Chapel**
9. **Graham Administration Building**
Financial Aid, Finance Department, Office of Human Resources
10. **Robert W. Plaster Free Enterprise Center**
OCUBIC, School of Business, Classrooms
11. **Roundtown Trail**
12. **Overflow Parking**
13. **Soccer Field**
14. **Softball Field**
15. **Olson Field**
16. **Athletics Field House**
17. **Disc Golf Course**

- A **New Hall Women's Dorm**
- B **Moore Hall Women's Dorm**
- C **TH 1 (Townhouse 1)**
WGM "Global Cafe", GA Housing
- D **TH 2 (Townhouse 2, Apartment Housing)**
- E **TH A&B (Townhouse A & B, Apartment Housing)**
- F **York Hall Men's Dorm**
- G **Pollard Hall Men's Dorm**
- H **Moats Hall President & Guest Housing**

Where Are you?

WE'RE HERE TO HELP YOU MAP IT OUT.

1476 Lancaster Pike | Circleville, Oh 43113

ohiochristian.edu | 1-877-762-8669

Click for Campus Map

