Flexible and affordable programs for associate and bachelor’s degrees
We know life is busy. Life is demanding. And life can be unpredictable. But if life is keeping you from the future you deserve, we can help! Charter Oak State College is a public online college. We’re dedicated to helping working adults earn the degrees they need. We offer accelerated programs, great value, and as a public college, we’re for people not profits. When you get a degree from Charter Oak State College, life just gets better.

Charter Oak State College is licensed and accredited by the State of Connecticut and regionally accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education. The College is governed by the Connecticut Board of Regents for Higher Education.

Advancing the Nation’s Workforce …
One Graduate at a Time!

Named #1 College for Adult Education.
Best College Reviews, 2018
Academic Degree Requirements

**Associate in Arts**
- General Education: Minimum of 40 credits
- Elective Credits: To bring the total to 60
- At least 45 of the 60 credits need to be in liberal arts subjects

**Associate in Science**
- General Education: Minimum of 40 credits
- Elective Credits: To bring the total to 60
- At least 30 of the 60 credits need to be in liberal arts subjects

**Associate in Science, Early Childhood Education**
- Requires 61 credits. Sixty (60) credits must be liberal arts and the general education requirements must be met.
- Students enrolled in this degree are exempt from the Global requirement and must complete either the U.S. History/Government or Non-U.S. History or Culture requirement.
- Electives added to General Education to bring total credits to 61.

**Bachelor of Science Degree**
- General Education: Minimum of 40 credits
- Concentration/Major: Minimum of 36 credits
- Elective Credits: To bring the total to 120 credits
- 30 credits must be at the upper level
- At least 60 of the 120 credits need to be in liberal arts subjects

**Bachelor of Arts Degree**
- General Education: Minimum of 40 credits
- Concentration/Major: Minimum of 36 credits
- Elective Credits: To bring the total to 120 credits
- 30 credits must be at the upper level
- At least 90 of the 120 credits need to be in liberal arts subjects

**Academic Residency**
Cornerstone: All students must successfully complete the three-credit Cornerstone Seminar (IDS 101) usually during their first term.

Capstone: Students preparing to graduate with a bachelor’s degree must complete a Capstone experience at Charter Oak State College with a grade of “C” or higher.

**General Education Requirements**
Our general education credit requirements promote strong communication and critical thinking skills that prepare you for career success. Our general education requirements include:

- **Ethical Decision-Making (3 credits)**
- **Global Understanding (3 credits)**
- **Literature and Fine Arts (3 credits)**
- **Mathematics (3 credits)**
- **Natural Science (7-8 credits, one course with lab)**
- **Non-U.S. History or Culture (3 credits)**
- **Oral Communication (3 credits)**
- **Social/Behavioral Sciences (3 credits)**
- **U.S. History/Government (3 credits)**
- **Written Communication (6 credits)**

**Liberal Arts Credits**
Liberal Arts credits include those earned from areas such as Natural Science/Math, History/Humanities (Literature, Fine Arts, Journalism), and Social Science (Sociology, Psychology, Political Science).
Certificate Programs are designed for adults who are interested in learning a specific set of skills and gaining knowledge in a certain area. These programs can stand alone or be used toward a Charter Oak State College associate or bachelor’s degree.

Certificates

- After School Education
- Connecticut Director’s Credential
- Cyber Security
- Direct Care Workers
- Direct Care Workers – Specialty Skills in Elder Care
- Health Information Management
- Health Insurance Customer Service
- Infant-Toddler Care

- Leadership in Health Care Administration
- Medical Coding
- Paralegal
- Paraprofessional Educator
- Connecticut Parenting Educator
- Project Management
- Public Safety
- Speech Language and Pathology Studies

Programs of Study

Charter Oak offers several majors in high-demand workforce-relevant fields.

**Bachelor’s Degree Majors**

- Business Administration
- Criminal Justice
- Cyber Security
- Early Childhood Education
- Health Care Administration
- Health Information Management
- Public Safety Administration
- Psychology
- Sociology

**Associate Degree Majors**

- Early Childhood Education
- General Studies

**Concentrations, Bachelor’s in General Studies**

- American Studies
- Child and Youth Development
- Child Studies
- Health Studies*
- History
- Human Resources
- Information Systems Studies
- Individualized/Liberal Studies – *Create a customized program by maximizing the use of transfer credits.*

*Program available only to current health care practitioners

Nationally, 40% of college students today are over 25+, 39% are part-time, and 24% are 25+ and part-time.

National Center for Educational Statistics
Applying Is Easy

1. Fill out our application for admission at www.CharterOak.edu
2. Arrange to have your official transcripts sent to us
3. Apply for financial aid (if desired)
4. Receive acceptance and a roadmap to degree completion
5. Remit your enrollment deposit and you’re on your way to earning your degree!

Feel confident knowing that our professional Admissions Counselors and Academic Advisors are available every step of the way!

Applicants must be 16 years of age or older and have 9 college level credits or present proof of high school completion.
Advancing the Workforce

- Graduates of Charter Oak State College include corporate presidents and CEOs, hospital presidents, executive management, police chiefs, commissioners, TV news anchors, clinic managers, college faculty, technology consultants, legislators, and more.

- Many graduates have been accepted to graduate school programs around the country, including University of Connecticut School of Law, Fordham, Georgia Tech, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, Johns Hopkins University, New York University, and Yale.

- We focus on offering workforce relevant programs for adults who want to advance their careers, change careers, return to work, or validate their training and educational experiences.

- We work around your work! Our convenient, online 5, 8, and 15 week courses allow working adults to advance their career while still working at it!

- We understand that you’re busy. Charter Oak’s Admission Counselors and Academic Advisors always strive to provide you the respect, individualized attention, and quality customer service for which we are well-known.
Use the Credits You’ve Earned!
We accept credits from:

- College-level examinations – CLEP, DANTES, etc.
- Non-collegiate courses/training evaluated by American Council on Education (ACE) or National College Credit Recommendation Service (NCCRS)
- Non-collegiate courses, training, and credentials evaluated by Charter Oak State College
- ACE evaluated military credit
- Most credits earned at other regionally-accredited institutions including up to 87 credits from two-year colleges

Organizational Effectiveness and Leadership

Business or Non-Profit Track

Visit www.CharterOak.edu/Masters
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“There aren’t enough words to express how pleased I was with my Charter Oak experience. From the initial evaluation to the academic advising to the actual instruction, I found everyone to be very knowledgeable and willing to help me every step of the way. Without Charter Oak I don’t know if I would have been able to finish my undergraduate studies and go on to earn my Master’s degree. I received a high quality education from Charter Oak that has given me the knowledge, ability and skills to excel in my career beyond my initial expectations.”

“Charter Oak allowed me to continue in my military career while pursuing my degree despite frequent training deployments and military commitments, not only here in the United States but at several overseas locations as well.”

“My experience at Charter Oak State College was positive from day one. I cannot say enough about my experience. Everyone I came in contact with always went above and beyond my expectations. Online studies were absolutely the best way for me to attain my degree. This type of learning fit into my very hectic schedule. This degree has and will continue to influence my career in terms of advancement.”

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