

*FINALLY FINISH COLLEGE!*

 CharterOak<sup>SM</sup>  
STATE COLLEGE

Degrees Without Boundaries



Flexible and affordable programs  
for bachelor's degree completion



## *Advancing the Nation's Workforce ... One Graduate at a Time!*

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 Association of Schools and Colleges. The College is governed by the Connecticut Board of Regents for Higher Education.

**"Ranked in the top 50 best online bachelor's programs available"**

*U.S. News & World Report, 2014*

## “Named most affordable online degree program in Connecticut”

*Affordable Colleges Online, 2014*

### 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

#### *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).



# Programs of Study for Bachelor Degree Candidates

## Majors:

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

Business Administration  
Cyber Security

Health Information Management  
Health Care Administration

Psychology

## Concentrations:

The following concentrations can be completed through the exclusive use of Charter Oak online courses.

American Studies  
Child Studies  
Child and Youth  
Development  
Criminal Justice

Health Studies\*  
History  
Human Resources  
Individualized Studies

Information Systems Studies  
Liberal Studies  
Organizational Leadership  
Paralegal Studies

Political Science  
Public Administration  
Public Safety Administration  
Sociology

*\*Program available only to current health care practitioners*

## Concentrations Using Multiple Sources of Credit:

These concentrations *require* coursework or credits *beyond* Charter Oak online courses.

Anthropology  
Applied Arts

- Music
- Studio Arts
- Theatre Arts

Applied Behavioral Science

- Political Science Focus
- Psychology Focus
- Sociology Focus

Art History

Biology  
Chemistry  
Communication  
Computer Science Studies  
Economics  
English  
Foreign Languages  
Geography  
Individualized Studies  
Interior Design Management

Judaic Studies  
Liberal Studies  
Mathematics  
Music History  
Music Theory  
Optical Business Management  
Philosophy  
Religious Studies

**“Named sixth best online bachelor’s degree program for veterans”**

*U.S. News & World Report, 2013*

## 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)
- ACE evaluated military credit
- Most credits earned at other regionally-accredited institutions including up to 87 credits from two-year colleges





## *Online Degree Programs ... That Work!*

### **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.

## Applying Is Easy

- 1 Fill out our application for admission at [www.CharterOak.edu](http://www.CharterOak.edu)
- 2 Send your official transcripts to us
- 3 Apply for financial aid (if desired)
- 4 Receive acceptance
- 5 Enroll with Charter Oak and begin 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 possess a minimum of 9 acceptable college-level credits.*

*“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.”*



*“Finishing my degree at Charter Oak State College was one of the best things I have done in my life. Obtaining my degree was an important factor in finally getting the job I wanted.”*



*“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.”*

## Contact Us

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