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"HE WHO ENTERS HERE
LEAVES NOT HOPE BEHIND"

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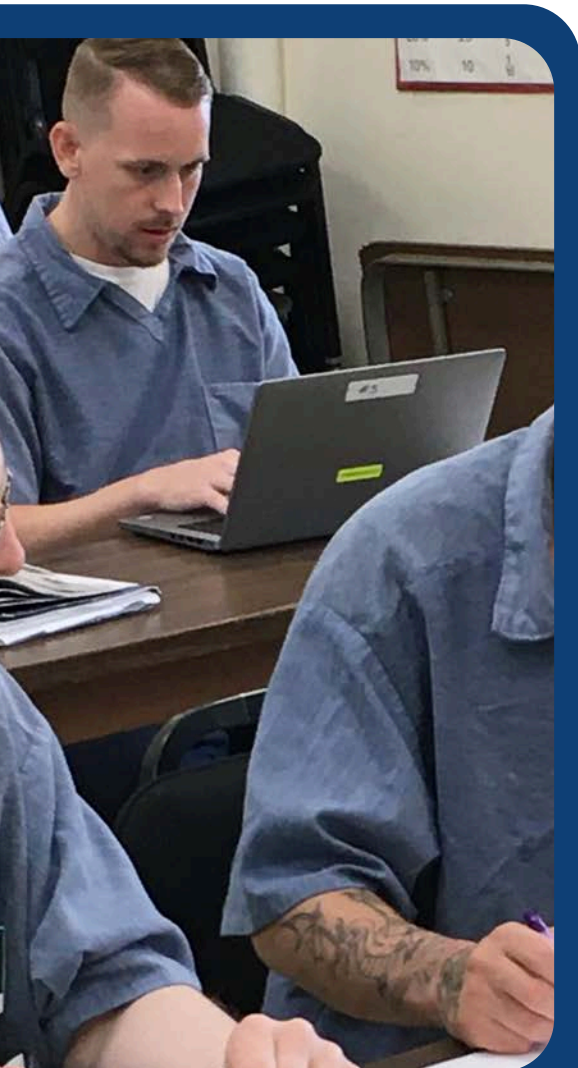


Academic Programs

Director Annette Chambers-Smith

About

The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction supports the Ohio Central School System providing comprehensive services to the incarcerated population.



Students working on Chromebooks to progress onto the next level of hybrid learning on the grounds of the London Correctional Institution.

ADULT BASIC LITERACY EDUCATION

Adult Basic Literacy Education (ABLE) trained tutors work with students on a program that is specifically developed for each student under the direction and expertise of a certified teacher.

HIGH SCHOOL

OCSS High School became effective January 10, 2005, when OCSS centralized the high school programs to better serve ODE requirements for graduation. This unified high school provides Carnegie units to both incarcerated juveniles and adults. In addition, OCSS offers a high school options program for those students in other ODRC institutions.

High School Equivalency (HSE) instruction is offered in 28 prisons in Ohio. Upon completion of the requirements, the individual is eligible to take the HSE and, if passed, encouraged to transition to career technical education, college, or an apprenticeship program for further skill development so that reentry into the workforce becomes more attainable upon release.

CHROMEBOOKS

Chromebooks are available in the ODRC schools, libraries, and housing areas (low to high security and from literacy to college) thanks to IT developing a student wireless network in 2020. This hybrid learning model has expanded educational services and offers the incarcerated population a variety of digital options for practice and testing.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Social Emotional Learning (SEL) standards of the Ohio Department of Education are followed. The SEL standards tenets are Self-Awareness, Self-Management, Social Awareness, Relationship Skills, and Responsible Decision Making.

CAREER COUNSELING

Career Counseling is part of the DRC Personal Development Model (PDM) in collaboration with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP). The PDM counselors work with the under 21 students on career pathways and job training options.



College Programs

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According to a report released by the Correctional Education Association citing the US Department of Education's National Recidivism Study, Ohio's releases had the lowest rate among the states involved in the study*. The recidivism rates were **17%** for individuals participating in college programs, and **24%** for individuals participating in any educational programming as compared to the **32%** of the control group who elected not to participate in educational programming.

* Batiuk, M. The State of Post Secondary Correctional Education in Ohio. Journal of Correctional Education 48(2), 70-72. (EJ 550286)

The Ohio Penal Education Consortium (OPEC) formed in 1975 as an association of colleges in Ohio partnering with OCSS to provide post-secondary education:

ASHLAND UNIVERSITY

Ashland University offering Associate of Arts degree in General Studies with a concentration in Business, a Bachelor of Arts in Applied Communication with a minor in Business Administration, Business Management, Religion, Sociology, or Christian Ministries.

FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY

Franklin University offering Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration.

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Kent State University offering Bachelor's degree in Technical and Applied Studies and Applied Business Concentration.

MARION TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Marion Technical College offering Associate of Technical Studies in Business and Associate of Technical Studies in Supply Chain Management.

NORTH CENTRAL STATE COLLEGE

North Central State College offering Operations Management Certificate with an Associate degree (pending).

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Ohio State University offering a Bachelor of Arts degree in Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies to the long-term incarcerated population.

OHIO UNIVERSITY

Ohio University offering college courses leading to five Associate's and two Bachelor's degrees available through correspondence for self-pay individuals.

SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Sinclair Community College offering Associate of Applied Science, Associate of Arts, and Associate of Technical Studies.

WILMINGTON COLLEGE

Wilmington College offering Bachelor's in Business Administration.

London Correctional Institution graduates after receiving their degrees from Franklin University.





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Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program

About

The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program® facilitates dialogue and education across profound social differences — through courses held inside prison, involving students from a higher education setting and incarcerated students.

PROGRAMS AND LOCATIONS

Antioch College

- Dayton Correctional Institution

Case Western Reserve University

- Lorain Correctional Institution
- Northeast Reintegration Center

John Carroll University

- Northeast Reintegration Center

Kent State University

- Trumbull Correctional Institution

Kenyon College

- Richland Correctional Institution

Ohio Northern University

- Allen Oakwood Correctional Institution

The Ohio State University

- Ohio Reformatory for Women
- Richland Correctional Institution
- Southeastern Correctional Institution

Otterbein University

- Marion Correctional Institution
- Ohio Reformatory for Women

University of Dayton

- Warren Correctional Institution

The University of Findlay

- Allen Oakwood Correctional Institution

Westminster College

- Trumbull Correctional Institution

Xavier University

- Dayton Correctional Institution
- Lebanon Correctional Institution
- Warren Correctional Institution



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Ashland University PELL ESI, State and Other Scholarships

ODRC LOCATIONS

- Belmont Correctional Institution
- Noble Correctional Institution
- Grafton Correctional Institution
- Lorain Correctional Institution
- Mansfield Correctional Institution
- Richland Correctional Institution
- Chillicothe Correctional Institution
- Lake Erie Correctional Institution
- Northeast Reintegration Center
- Northeast Ohio Correctional Complex
- Toledo Correctional Institution

PROGRAMS OFFERED

Business Administration/Office or Retail Management (2yr) & Applied Business, Basic Business including Business Management & Retail Sales (1yr)

DEGREES OFFERED

Associate of Arts degree in General Studies with a concentration in Business, Bachelor of Arts in Applied Communication with a minor in Business Administration, Business Management, Religion, Sociology or Christian Ministries, Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary studies, Multidisciplinary studies, or Organizational Leadership & Development



FRANKLIN
UNIVERSITY

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Franklin University

ODRC LOCATIONS

- London Correctional Institution

PROGRAMS OFFERED

Business Entrepreneurship Certificate comprised of Business Development II and Applied Business I and II semester certificates. Pathways to Advancement comprised of Career Enhancement I and II semester certificates (2yr) & Business Foundations Certificate comprised of Foundational Skills I and II and Business Development I semester certificates (1yr)

DEGREES OFFERED

Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration (AAS BA)



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Kent State University

ODRC LOCATIONS

- Trumbull Correctional Institution

PROGRAMS OFFERED

Entrepreneurship Certificate

DEGREES OFFERED

Bachelor's degree in Technical and Applied Studies (BTAS)
Applied Business Concentration

Marion
Technical College



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Marion Technical College

ODRC LOCATIONS

- Marion Correctional Institution
- North Central Correctional Center

PROGRAMS OFFERED

Business Administration (2yr) & Basic Business (1yr) & Supply
Chain Technician (Short-Term)

DEGREES OFFERED

Associate of Technical Studies in Business and Associate of
Technical Studies in Supply Chain Management



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North Central State College

ODRC LOCATIONS

- Richland Correctional Institution

PROGRAMS OFFERED

Operations Management Certificate

DEGREES OFFERED

Associate degree (pending)



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Ohio University (Self-Pay)

ODRC LOCATIONS

- Statewide

PROGRAMS OFFERED

Correspondence Courses Only

DEGREES OFFERED

Five Associate's and two Bachelor's degrees. Associate in Applied Business, Associate in Arts (Humanities Emphasis & Social Sciences Emphasis), Associate in Individualized Studies & Associate in Science and Bachelor of Specialized Studies and Bachelor of Technical & Applied Studies



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The Ohio State University

ODRC LOCATIONS

- Ohio Reformatory for Women

PROGRAMS OFFERED

No certificates at this time.

DEGREES OFFERED

Bachelor of Arts degree in Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies



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Wilmington College

ODRC LOCATIONS

- Dayton Correctional Institution
- Warren Correctional Institution
- Lebanon Correctional Institution

PROGRAMS OFFERED

No certificates at this time.

DEGREES OFFERED

Bachelor's in Business Administration



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Sinclair Community College State, ODHE & Other Scholarships

ODRC LOCATIONS

- Allen Oakwood Correctional Institution
- Correctional Reception Center
- Dayton Correctional Institution
- Franklin Medical Center
- Lebanon Correctional Institution
- Madison Correctional Institution
- Ohio Reformatory for Women
- Ohio State Penitentiary
- Pickaway Correctional Institution
- Ross Correctional Institution
- Southeastern Correctional Institution
- Southern Ohio Correctional Facility
- Trumbull Correctional Institution
- Warren Correctional Institution

PROGRAMS OFFERED

Customer Service Technician STC & Specialist STC, User Support Technician STC, Entrepreneurship and Business Foundations STC, Business Foundations (1yr) Supply Chain Management (1yr)/Technician STC, Food Production Specialist STC, Bakery & Pastry Specialist STC, Culinary Management (1yr), Global User Support (1yr), Reentry Preparation STC, Retail Management STC, Retail Business STC, Retail Manager (1yr), Supervision Foundations STC, Social Work - Aide STC, Technician (1yr), and Specialist (1yr), Food Truck and Street Foods STC and Hospitality Reception and Service Specialist STC, Greenhouse Management STC, Agribusiness STC, Community & Urban Horticulture STC, Chemical Dependency Counselor STC, Community and Public Services (1yr), Public Service Assistant STC, Workforce Readiness STC

DEGREES OFFERED

Associate of Applied Science, Associate of Arts & Associate of Technical Studies



Career Technical Education

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About

The Ohio Central School System (OCSS) provides Career Technical Education (CTE) in trades ranging from auto technology to welding. CTE provides an industry-based curriculum embedded in real-world experience.

Students who have a career technical aptitude are eligible to receive high school credits for the Adult Diploma Program (ADP). OCSS is the largest adult diploma provider in the State of Ohio. The ADP offered by OCSS is sanctioned by ODE as an approved high school equivalent credential. CTE students also have the opportunity to earn industry-level credentials, which are issued by state boards or nationally-recognized organizations.

POST-SECONDARY CTE PROGRAMS

- Auto Collision
- Auto Technology
- Barber
- Business Operations Service and Support
- C-Tech Network Cabling
- Carpentry
- Commercial Baking
- Construction Technologies
- Cosmetology
- Computer Aided Drafting (CAG)
- CAG Interactive Media and Web Design
- Drywall
- Electrical Wiring
- Food Management and Production
- Graphic Operations
- HVAC
- Horticulture
- Information Support and Services
- Machine Trades
- Masonry
- Plumbing
- Production Agriculture
- Resilient Flooring
- Visual Communications
- Web Design/Computer Aided Graphics
- Welding

MICRO & INDUSTRY RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

OCSS now partners with career centers to provide short-term learning opportunities for individuals to earn micro-credentials in the areas of electronics, manufacturing, technology and welding. 2,722 industry credentials earned in FY2024.

Career-Technical Education students working with the OCSS plumbing instructor on the grounds of the Southeastern Correctional Institution.





Apprenticeship Programs

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About

Registered Apprenticeship is a program of the US Department of Labor ApprenticeshipOhio that connects job seekers looking to learn new skills with employers looking for qualified workers. Upon completion of a Registered Apprenticeship program, participants receive a nationally-recognized credential that certifies occupational proficiency, which is portable and can provide a pathway to high-paying jobs.

REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS

- Alteration Tailor
- Animal Trainer
- Assembly Technician
- Automobile Mechanic
- Baker
- Bindery Worker
- Boiler Operator
- Carpenter, Maintenance
- Carpenter, Residential
- Construction Craft Laborer
- Cook (any industry)
- Dental Laboratory Technician
- Drafter, Detail
- Dry Cleaner
- Electrician, Maintenance
- Electronic Technician
- Fabricator (Metal Production)
- Film and Video Editor
- Fish Hatchery Worker
- Furniture Upholsterer
- Graphic Designer
- Hazardous Waste Material Technician
- Health Care Sanitary Technician
- Heating & Air Condition Technician
- Horticulturist
- Janitor
- Landscape Management Technician
- Laundry Machine Mechanic
- Machine Operator 1
- Machine Setter
- Maintenance Repairer, Building
- Manager Food Service
- Material Coordinator
- Meat Cutter
- Nurse Assistant
- Offset-Press Operator 1
- Optician
- Optician Dispensing
- Painter
- Peer Specialist
- Plumber
- Powerhouse Mechanic
- Program Assistant
- Quality Control Inspector
- Quality Control Technician
- Recovery Operator
- Recreation Assistant
- Screen Printer
- Sheet Metal Worker
- Small Engine Mechanic
- Stitcher (Garment)
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator
- Water Treatment Plant Operator
- Welder, Combination
- Welder, Fitter

754 ApprenticeshipOhio certificates earned in FY24

- **457** awarded 50% completion certificates
- **297** awarded 100% completion certificates



Bill Lewis, Clearview School Career Technical Instructor working with the Construction Trades Apprentice on the grounds of the Ohio Reformatory for Women (ORW).



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Workforce Development

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About

In alignment with Lt. Governor Husted's Workforce Transformation Initiative, DRC offers programming to enhance the incarcerated individuals learning experience and training. Participation is fluid as partnerships are developed.

Office of Enterprise Development (OED) participants obtaining real-life work experiences

WORKFORCE PROGRAMS & PARTNERSHIPS:

- Brew Garden
- Capital Transportation
- Chopping for Change
- CleanTurn Enterprises
- County of Lorain
- Diamond Metals
- HOPES grant
- Integrity Energy
- LockKeepers
- Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry
- Midwest Fabricating
- PI & I Motor Express
- The Marble Room
- True Freedom Ministries
- Telling Industries
- Woodpeckers
- 180 Demo

DRC is always looking for additional workforce partners. If you are interested, please contact Vernise Robinson, Workforce Development Administrator, Office of Enterprise Development Ohio Central School System via email: Vernise.Robinson@drc.ohio.gov.



Midwest Fabricating employees pictured cold forming steel into fasteners and custom wire formed rods at the plant located in Amanda, Ohio.



Commercial Driver's License Training Program

Facilitated by Capital Transportation

About

Capital Transportation has provided commercial driver training for the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation & Correction at Richland and Grafton Correctional Institutions since November 2015. This program allows men incarcerated at those facilities to go through the required training and testing to receive their Class A Commercial Driver's License for use upon their release from incarceration.

PROGRAM STATISTICS

Grafton Correctional Institution

173 trainees completed the program
90% CDL License Obtainment

Richland Correctional Institution

235 trainees completed the program
96.5% CDL License Obtainment

ODRC Totals

408 Trainees Completed the Program
93.25% CDL License Obtainment

In July of 2024, the CDL program opened up to women at Northeast Reintegration Center who were then able to complete their testing at Grafton Correctional Institution.

Data as of FY2024. The CDL obtainment metric does not include trainees who were removed from the program by institutional administration prior to program completion, nor does the metric include trainees who were released prior to program completion and testing.





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Ohio Penal Industries

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About

Ohio Penal Industries (OPI), operates under the direction of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction and provides workforce training opportunities for nearly 1,100 incarcerated people in 32 operations in 12 correctional facilities throughout the state. OPI is a self-sufficient program, meaning they utilize no general revenue funds. All revenue is reinvested back into OPI, through staff and incarcerated training and skill development.

Due to an Ohio law change in October of 2023, OPI was officially permitted to participate in the Prison Industry Enhancement Certification Program (PIECP). This program allows OPI to manufacture, sell and distribute goods across state lines. When an incarcerated individual participates in a PIECP, they earn prevailing wages. OPI also has private partnerships that pay minimum wage or higher to our incarcerated workforce. To date, OPI has 14 private and PIECP partnerships.

OPERATIONS AND PRODUCTS

Allen Oakwood Correctional Institution

Linens, Incarcerated Uniforms, Lima Pallet

Belmont Correctional Institution

Toilet Paper

Chillicothe Correctional Institution

Farm, Mattress, Mop-heads, Vehicle Modification, Shower Curtains, Tables

Franklin Medical Center *Off Site Locations*

Union Supply Group, Vehicle Service Center

Lebanon Correctional Institution

License Plates

London Correctional Institution

Chair Production/ Upholstery, Construction/Asbestos, Composting, Dental, Sales/Marketing, Trash Bags, JBM Packaging, ViaPath Tablet Repair

Madison Correctional Institution

Keefe, Future site of Nitrile Glove Operation

Mansfield Correctional Institution

Corrugated Boxes

Marion Correctional Institution

Institutional Furnishings, Metal Fabrication, Outdoor Furniture, Embroidery

Ohio Reformatory for Women

Flags, Optical Laboratory, Call Wizard Call Center

Pickaway Correctional Institution

Meat Processing Career Center, Forms, Business Cards & Custom Printing

Southeastern Correctional Institution

Janitorial Products, Buffing Pads

Operation Support Center

Central Distribution Center, Vehicle Distribution



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OPI Statistics

(FY24)

219
Credentialed
Certifications
Earned

299
Active
Apprenticeships

33
Completed
Apprenticeships

225
Receiving Earned
Credit each month

CERTIFICATION & EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

University of Akron (MaCI)

- Polymer Science courses resulting in associate degree - Technical Studies
- Onsite lab for research and development at Madison Correctional Institution

Sinclair College (All Shops)

- Serv Safe Certifications (Meat Processing Career Center)
- Supply Chain Management (Commissary and Warehouse)
- Customer Service Certification
- General Education courses

LEAN Ohio (All Shops)

- Yellow Belt certification
- White Belt certification

Occupational Safety and Health Administration (All Shops)

- OSHA 10 Hour certification (General Industry and Construction)
- OSHA 30 Hour certification (General Industry)

Ohio Dept of Health (Construction)

- Lead Abatement license

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Construction)

- Asbestos Abatement license

ViaPath (All Shops)

- Monthly online training requirement for all OPI workers

American Welding Society (MCI and CCI)

- Welder certifications

Ohio State University

- Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP) Certification (Meat Processing Career Center)
 - Internationally recognized credential in food industry
- Composting Operator Certification (LoCI)

United Rental (All Shops)

- Forklift certification
- Heavy equipment operator
- Safety Training

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

- Certified training provider for Commercial Driver's License

OPI Reentry (prior to incarcerated workers release)

- Driver's License
- Job Interview/Placement
 - In-person or TEAMS
- Documentation (SS Card/Birth Certificate/Transcripts/Certifications)
- Housing placement



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