Compare Apples to Apples

If you’re looking through this Cleveland State View Book, you must be considering CSCC as a possible college choice for you. We urge you to compare apples to apples when you make your final decision. Compare costs, we are lower than most colleges in the area; compare size, we have a 22 to 1 student teacher ratio that translates into more one-on-one time with your instructor; compare quality, you will receive the same, if not better, education as you would in your first two years at any other college and finally, compare locations, we’re right in your own backyard!

You’re making a good decision to pursue your education. We hope you will pursue it with Cleveland State.

Sincerely,
Dr. Carl Hite,
Cleveland State President
Student Life

Cleveland State makes every effort to provide students with the total college experience. An important part of your college experience will be spent outside the classroom. That is why, in addition to classroom participation and studies, we provide students with opportunities to interact with the entire campus community. Students come to Cleveland State from a variety of social, academic and ethnic backgrounds. Experiencing this diversity will not only provide opportunities for leadership and success, but hopefully, students will have fun in the meantime!

There are approximately 15 organizations at Cleveland State in which students can become involved. Studies have shown that students who get involved in campus activities are more likely to be successful and happier with their college experience. It also helps to develop positive relationships that will last a lifetime.

If you boast a competitive spirit, you might want to pursue our intramural program that includes such tournaments as dodgeball, golf, pool, ping-pong, and wiffle-ball. There are many other opportunities available for personal fitness at Cleveland State as well. Visit the campus and find out more!

Touring the Campus

Choosing the right college can be a tough decision. You already know a lot of great benefits about Cleveland State. It’s close to home. It’s affordable. And it’s a great place to get a quality education. One of the best ways to get a real “feel” for the campus is to see it with your own eyes.

Our campus visitation program includes a one-on-one general information session with a member of the Student Relations staff and a tour of the campus led by a currently-enrolled student. Your tour can also include a meeting with an advisor in your area of interest, a meeting with financial aid and/or admissions. So, set up your campus tour now! To schedule a campus tour, please call (423) 614-8734 or (800) 604-CSCC, ext. 734. To visit our Athens site, call (423) 745-8486 and in Madisonville, call (423) 420-9530.

CSCC has a Friendly Atmosphere. The student/teacher ratio is 22 to 1 which allows your instructors more time to work with you individually. You will form long lasting relationships with faculty, staff and your fellow students.
Academic Life

More than 3,500 degree-seeking students enroll at Cleveland State every year. Half of our students are recent high school graduates with the other half comprised of adults who are now seeking a college education.

Cleveland State is committed to offering excellent academic, technical and occupational programs and to maintaining and enhancing student support services. We strive to help you reach your potential by offering small classes and providing individual attention—important factors in helping faculty identify your strengths and specific needs.

Cleveland State has developed a number of programs and services to assist you in achieving your educational goals which include:

- **New Student Advising and Registration Sessions**—The NSAR sessions are held prior to each fall and spring semester and are designed for new students who are planning to enroll at Cleveland State.
- **Student Success**—Need someone to help with a math problem; wish someone could review that essay just one more time; feel like you know the material but just freeze up on tests? The staff in the ACCESS Center can assist you with a variety of concerns that may impact your academic performance. Workshops and individual sessions on Test Taking Tips, How to Study, Managing Stress and other topics are offered on a regular basis. Counselors can help by working with you to develop an individualized Student Success Plan that can provide direction and action steps that may improve your academic standing.

The Mathematics Center is also available for students and is staffed with a full-time tutor and several peer tutors. You can get assistance with all levels of math, from basic through calculus.

The Language Arts Learning Lab provides a variety of services for students in foreign language reading and writing classes. Cleveland State will make every effort to ensure your educational experience with us is a rewarding and life changing experience.

Students that attend CSCC have continued their education to become doctors, lawyers, judges, bankers, and prominent citizens in the communities in which they live.

Quality Education

Education is the core of our business. With approximately 90% of CSCC’s faculty earning Master’s or Doctorate degrees, you are assured of receiving a quality educational foundation regardless of your future goals.
Academic Programs

Associate of Arts
• Art (Studio) Emphasis (TTP)
• English Emphasis (TTP)
• Foreign Language Emphasis (TTP)
• General Transfer
• Music Emphasis

Associate of Science
• Accounting Emphasis (TTP)
• Agriculture Emphasis
• Biology Emphasis (TTP)
• Business Administration Emphasis (TTP)
• Chemistry Emphasis (TTP)
• Civil Engineering Emphasis (TTP)
• Criminal Justice Emphasis (TTP)
• Economics Emphasis (TTP)
• Education Emphasis
• Electrical Engineering Emphasis (TTP)
• General Transfer
• Health, Physical Education and Recreation Emphasis
• History Emphasis (TTP)
• Information Systems Emphasis (TTP)
• Mass Communication Emphasis (TTP)
• Mathematics Emphasis (TTP)
• Natural Science Emphasis
• Physics Emphasis (TTP)
• Political Science Emphasis (TTP)
• Pre-Computer Science Emphasis
• Pre-Dental Hygiene Emphasis
• Pre-Health Professions Emphasis (Dentistry, Medicine, Optometry, Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine) (TTP)
• Pre-Law Emphasis
• Pre-Medical Technology Emphasis
• Pre-Nursing Emphasis (for transfer for B.S.N.) (TTP)
• Pre-Occupational Therapy Emphasis (TTP)
• Pre-Physical Therapy Emphasis (TTP)
• Psychology Emphasis (TTP)
• Social Work Emphasis (TTP)
• Sociology Emphasis (TTP)
• Teaching Emphasis (AST)
• Veterinary Assistant Emphasis

Associate of Applied Science
Business and Management
• Accounting Concentration
• Business Concentration
• Computers and Information Systems Concentration
• Management Concentration
• Small Business Management Concentration

Early Childhood Education Concentration
Industrial Technology
• Chemical Process Technology Concentration
• Construction Technology Concentration
• Drafting and Design Concentration
• Electro-Mechanical Concentration
• Electronics Concentration
• Operations Technician Concentration

Office Administration
• Administrative Assistant Concentration
• Medical Assistant Concentration
• Medical Transcriptionist Concentration

Public and Government Service
• Criminal Justice Concentration
• Legal Administrative Assistant Concentration

Technical Certificate Programs
Accounting
• Architectural Design
• Business and Management
• Civil Technology
• Climate Control
• Computer Business Applications
• Construction Applications
• Construction Surveying
• Customer Service
• Electrical Maintenance Fundamentals
• Emergency Medical Technician
• Industral Automation Fundamentals
• Law Enforcement Training
• Mechanical Drafting
• Mechanical Maintenance Fundamentals
• Network Systems Design
• Process Control Fundamentals
• Technology Essentials
• Zero Energy Housing

Office Administration
• Coding Specialist
• General Office Assistant
• Legal Office Clerk Option
• Medical Office Clerk Option

Regents Online Degree Programs
• Associate of Arts in General Studies (University Parallel)
• Associate of Science in General Studies (University Parallel)
• Associate of Science in General Studies (University Parallel) for Teacher Aides and Paraprofessionals
• Associate of Applied Science Degree (Early Childhood Education)
• Associate of Applied Science Degree Professional Studies: Information Technology
• Web Page Authoring Technical Certificate

*Tennessee Transfer Path (TTP)

Affordable Price
CSCC is the most affordable college around. In fact, two years at Cleveland State will save you enough money to practically pay for your third year at a four-year school!
Cougar Athletics play an important role on Cleveland State’s campus with approximately 80 students competing in our intercollegiate sports programs. Cleveland State Athletics is a member of the National Junior College Athletic Association and competes in the Tennessee Community College Athletic Association. Cleveland State offers Baseball, Women’s Softball and Men’s and Women’s Basketball. All athletic teams at Cleveland State have participated in NJCAA national championship tournaments. The Cleveland State Athletic facilities consist of the L. Quentin Lane Gymnasium, Cougar Baseball Field and the Lady Cougar Softball Field, all located on the Cleveland State campus.

Our athletes and coaches understand that academics come first, and they place a priority on the academic success of our student-athletes. At Cleveland State, there are many tutoring options available to our students, and student-athletes benefit from this, as well as, coaches’ monitoring their academic progress. Coaches also work hard to ensure their players maintain a positive attitude both on and off the field/court.

Take a break from your studies and support our Cougar and Lady Cougar teams as they compete with other colleges in the state.
Admissions & Records

Applying for Admissions
Applying to Cleveland State is easy! Cleveland State has an open-door admissions policy. Everyone who has earned a high school diploma or GED may attend Cleveland State. The Admissions Office will notify you of any testing requirements that apply to you. Here’s how to apply:

• Complete an application form for admission. The easiest way is to apply online from our website at www.clevelandstatecc.edu.
• Return the application with the $10 fee.
• Request your high school transcripts or GED scores be sent to Cleveland State.
• All degree-seeking students under the age of 21 are required to take the ACT/SAT. First-time freshmen above the age of 21 are required to take the COMPASS test. Students may take either test at Cleveland State.

Financial Aid

Financial Aid and Scholarships
Paying for your college education is one of the most important financial commitments that you and your family will make. The lack of financial resources should not be a barrier to obtaining a college education. Through federal, state and local institutional funds, Cleveland State offers a comprehensive financial aid program. Our financial aid counselors will make every effort to ensure your college experience is affordable. A large number of Cleveland State students come to college with the help of a scholarship or through financial aid assistance. In fact, approximately $5 million in financial aid is awarded each year to deserving students.

Applying for financial aid is an easy process. We even have financial aid counselors to help you along the way! Students who have been accepted to Cleveland State need to fill out and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Because certain scholarships, grants and other types of financial assistance are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, it is important to take care of this as soon as possible.

Generous alumni, local businesses, community leaders, and friends of the college provide excellent financial support for our students through the Cleveland State Foundation. There are also Athletic Scholarships, Diversity Grants, and Academic Service scholarships that are available to students based on athletic ability, GPA and class rank.

Financial Aid Counselors can help you find the best way to fund your education.
Brief Bites

College Type: Public Community College
Founded: 1967
Size: Approximately 3,500 students
Student-Faculty Ratio: 22:1
 Degrees Offered: Associate of Science (32 Areas of Emphasis), Associate of Arts (5 Areas of Emphasis), Associate of Applied Science (7 Options with 21 Concentrations), 23 Technical Certificates
Cost: Approximately $1,700 per semester for a full-time course load
Accreditation: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)
Locations: Main Campus—Cleveland; Other sites in Athens and Madisonville, TN
Athletics: TCCAA and NJCAA Region VII