









HONOR SOCIETIES AT OCC: For Students Committed to Making a Difference

Active enrollment in honor societies increases opportunities for scholarships, university transfer, public recognition, academic and social events, and interaction with other high-achieving, intellectually-curious and civically-engaged students and faculty. Many of these organizations focus on developing leadership skills and performing campus or community service. Full and part-time students with qualifying GPAs in OCC coursework may earn honors recognition by one or more organizations. Accepting membership in these organizations is an outward acknowledgment of dedication to academic excellence as well as a means of honoring those who support scholarly effort. Want to learn more?

Log on to: www.orangecoastcollege.edu/academics and follow the links to the "Academic Honor Societies."

If your overall GPA is at least:	And you have <u>completed</u> :	You may qualify for:
3.0	<p>At least 12 units of letter-graded OCC coursework, including one or more psychology* course(s) with at least a "B" (3.0) average in those courses</p> <p>*may include cross-listed courses such as SOC/PSYC 165</p>	 <p>Psi Beta - National Honor Society in Psychology for Community & Junior Colleges - Membership is <i>permanent</i> immediately, entitling the student to transcript notation and the privilege of wearing honors regalia at graduation. Dues are currently \$50.00 (one time only), subject to change without notice. Applications are accepted during spring and fall semesters. For more information, e-mail Dr. James Smolin, Professor of Psychology & PB advisor: jsmolin@occ.cccd.edu</p>
3.0	<p>At least 12 units of letter-graded OCC coursework, including 9 units of Social & Behavioral Science coursework* for freshman applicants (those with fewer than 30 total units earned) or 12 units of Social & Behavioral Science coursework* for sophomore applicants (those with 30 or more total units earned). <i>All applicants must have earned a minimum GPA of 3.5 in the required number of social & behavioral science courses</i> before an application is submitted.</p>	 <p>Phi Alpha Mu - The OCC Honor Society for Social and Behavioral Sciences - Membership is <i>permanent</i> immediately, entitling student to transcript notation and the privilege of wearing honors regalia at graduation. Dues are currently \$5 (one time only), subject to change without notice. Applications are accepted during the fall and spring semesters; check the application for filing deadline. For more information, e-mail Terry Scarbrough in the Academic Honors Office: tscarbrough@occ.cccd.edu or drop in during office hours to Watson Hall - 287</p> <p>* Social and Behavioral Sciences courses include: Anthropology, Economics, Ethics, Ethnic Studies, Gender Studies, Geography, History, Humanities, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Religious Studies, Sociology</p>
3.0	<p>All applicants: at least 12 units of letter-graded OCC coursework at the associate level (generally courses numbered 100 and higher); completion of at least 3 <i>qualifying courses*</i> within <i>business curricula</i> with a 3.50 GPA earned among them</p> <p>*A complete list of qualifying courses is listed on the OCC/ABG website, including courses in business, economics, finance, accounting, marketing, business calculus, travel & tourism, culinary arts management, and others.</p>	 <p>Alpha Beta Gamma - International Business Honor Society - Membership is <i>permanent</i> immediately, entitling student to transcript notation and the privilege of wearing honors regalia at graduation. One-time dues are currently \$75.00, subject to change without notice. Invitations are automatically sent to prospective members. Applications are accepted during the spring and fall semesters. Students who believe they are eligible but who have not received an invitation may download an application from the OCC/ABG website, or pick one up at the Academic Honors Office - Watson Hall 287. For more information, call 714.432.5601 or email the chapter: abg@occ.cccd.edu.</p>
3.25	<p>At least 12 units of letter-graded OCC coursework AND grades of A or B in each OCC qualifying mathematics class taken (classes numbered 157 or higher, excluding Math 160 and Math 220); at least one qualifying math class is required for eligibility in this honor society.</p>	 <p>Mu Alpha Theta - The National High School and Community College Honor Society for Mathematics - Membership is <i>permanent</i> immediately, entitling student to transcript notation and the privilege of wearing honors regalia at graduation. Dues are currently \$60.00 (one time only), subject to change without notice. <i>Invitations to apply are automatically sent to eligible students in the fall and spring semesters and may be submitted until mid-term.</i> Students who believe they are eligible, but have not received an invitation may e-mail Mariana Voicu, Professor of Mathematics and Mu Alpha Theta advisor: mvoicu@occ.cccd.edu.</p>

If your overall GPA is at least:	And you have <u>completed</u> :	You may qualify for:
3.00	15 units of required coursework for the pre-health science transfer major; OR 15 units or 50% of required coursework (whichever is greater, but not including pre-requisites) for an allied health certificate AND a 3.50 GPA among qualifying courses referenced above	 Mu Delta Rho - <i>The Pre-Health Professional Honor Society of Orange Coast College</i> - Prospective candidates for enrollment are invited to visit the honor society website for full details, instructions, a downloadable application and evaluation form. Applications are accepted during the Fall and Spring semesters. One-time dues are currently \$35.00 and are subject to change without notice. Approved membership is <i>permanent</i> immediately, entitling the student to transcript notation and privilege of wearing honors regalia at graduation. Questions? Contact: mdr@occ.cccd.edu
3.00	Initial membership requires at least 12 units of letter-graded OCC coursework within the most recent three regular semesters* in attendance. *Winter+Spring, Summer+Fall = Semesters	 Alpha Gamma Sigma - <i>The California Community College Honor Scholarship Society</i> - Prospective candidates for enrollment are invited to apply in the spring and fall semesters. <i>Initial</i> Member dues are currently \$55.00 and are subject to change without notice. Membership is renewed each semester. (<i>Continuing</i> and <i>Permanent</i> members must meet additional criteria and pay dues in other amounts.) <i>Permanent</i> members ONLY are entitled to transcript notation and the privilege of wearing honors regalia at graduation. Invited students may download an application online or pick one up at the Academic Honors Office: Watson Hall - Room 287. Questions? Contact: 714.432.5601 or ags@occ.cccd.edu .
3.50	Full membership requires at least 12 units of letter-graded, <i>associate level</i> * coursework at OCC *These courses are listed under the Associate of Arts (AA) and Associate of Science (AS) general education requirements (including Options 1, 2, and 3) in the current OCC Catalog and Class Schedule.	 Phi Theta Kappa - <i>The International Honor Society for Two-Year Colleges</i> - Prospective candidates for enrollment are invited to apply in the spring and fall semesters. Membership is <i>permanent</i> immediately, entitling student to transcript notation and earns the privilege of wearing honors regalia at graduation if a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher is maintained after first enrollment. One-time dues are currently \$100.00 and are subject to change without notice. Invited students may download an application online, or pick one up at the Academic Honors Office: Watson Hall - Room 287. Questions? Contact: 714.432.5601 or ptk@occ.cccd.edu .
		Watch this space for info about a new English honor society coming in 2011-2012
		Watch this space for info about a new Political Science honor society coming in 2011-2012
Any cumulative GPA	12 units of OCC coursework with letter grades in a single semester, AND earned a semester GPA of 3.50-3.99	Dean's List Notation *
	6 - 11.9 units of OCC coursework with letter grades in a single semester, AND earned a semester GPA of 3.75-4.0	Honors List Notation *
	12 or more units of OCC coursework with letter grades in a single semester, AND earned a semester GPA of 4.0	President's List Notation *
<p><i>*Dean's List, Honors List, and President's List notations are automatically added to students' transcripts. There are no applications to fill out, and no fees to pay for these honors. Semester honors are not recorded on diplomas or certificates, and are not sufficient to entitle students to the privilege of wearing honors regalia at graduation.</i></p>		