

OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS PROGRAM

CENTRAL LAKES COLLEGE BRAINERD, MN



The Occupational Skills Program is a 9 month Technical College Program.

- ❖ The Goal: Entry level competitive employment.**
- ❖ Courses focus on Independent Living Skills and Job Seeking and Keeping Skills.**
- ❖ Students can earn a Diploma upon successful completion of the Program.**

CLASSES

**Communications, Employability Skills, Study Skills,
Computer Basics, Critical Reasoning Skills, Supervised
Pre-Internship**

**In addition to the OSP courses, students take a minimum
of 2 credits outside of the program.**

SUPERVISED PRE-INTERNSHIP

- ❖ **Students work a minimum of 12 hours per week to gain work experience in a career area of interest.**
- ❖ **Students take public transportation to their work sites.**
- ❖ **Students are guided and monitored by OSP staff.**

- ❖ **OSP Partners with a variety of businesses throughout the Brainerd/Baxter area to provide students with opportunities to gain entry level work skills in fields such as:
Custodial, Foodservice, Retail, Warehouse/Manufacturing, and
Entry level Child Care & Nursing Homes**

ADMISSIONS PROCESS

- ❖ **Students may apply after September 1st for the following Fall Semester start.**
- ❖ **Complete the general application to Central Lakes College. Be sure to specify Occupational Skills Program for your choice.**
- ❖ **After your application is received at our admissions office, you will get a Phase 2 packet.**
- ❖ **Complete the Phase 2 packet and return necessary materials to OSP Coordinator.**
- ❖ **Attend an information sharing meeting with OSP staff.**

HOUSING

- ❖ **OSP is NOT a supported living program.**
- ❖ **Student housing is located on west end of college property.**
- ❖ **Multiple apartment complexes are also located across the street from campus.**
- ❖ **The majority of OSP students secure an apartment with one or more roommates, also in OSP.**
- ❖ **Most OSP Students receive assistance from Semi-Independent Living Skills services (SILS).**

A FULL COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

- ❖ **OSP students participate in a campus club of their choice. Some examples include: Right Brain Media, Horticulture Club, Natural Resources Club, Equality Coalition, Marine and Small Engines, Diversity Club, Psychology Club, Welding Club.**
- ❖ **Students are highly encouraged to attend/participate in: sporting events, theater productions, music events, and Student Life sponsored events.**

FINANCIAL AID

- ❖ **All Occupational Skills Program students should fill out the FAFSA form. It can be found at www.clcmn.edu under financial aid. Students may be eligible for Federal and/or State grants.**
- ❖ **Students should also explore the possibilities of scholarships through their home high school or local civic organizations.**
- ❖ **Students may also apply for scholarships through the CLC Foundation by going to www.clcmn.edu under financial aid.**
- ❖ **The cost of the program is right around \$12,000 for Tuition, Books, Housing**

INFORMATIONAL LINKS

❖ **Occupational Skills Program Promotional Video**

Central Lakes College, Brainerd, MN

https://youtu.be/QX1PV8z_Gko

❖ **Occupational Skills Program Description:**

<http://www.clcmn.edu/occupational-skills-diploma-2/>

❖ **Housing at Central Lakes College:**

<https://www.clcparkwayapts.com/>

❖ **Schedule a tour:**

<http://www.clcmn.edu/admissions/visit-the-college/>

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN
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