

CAMPUS SERVICES

Bookstore

The college provides bookstore service at both the Des Plaines and Skokie campuses. The bookstore provides required and recommended textbooks, instructional materials, and supplies. It also sells clothing, gifts, and snacks. The bookstore rents a wide range of titles. Call 847.635.1680 for hours. Textbooks may be ordered online at www.oakton.edu.

Textbook Return Policy

Books may be returned during the first two weeks of a 16-week semester. Textbooks for courses that meet for less than 16 weeks may be purchased one week prior to the start of class. The last day to return these textbooks is close of business on the first day of class. Students **must** have their receipt for an exchange/refund.

Books marked in any way are considered “used.” All sealed books and CDs must be returned sealed. A credit slip will be issued for books purchased with a personal check. The credit slip is redeemable in 14 days. Book buybacks are held the last week of each semester.

Early Childhood Education Center

Oakton provides preschool programs for children 3 to 5 years of age. These programs foster a developmentally appropriate, play-based curriculum designed to support children’s social, emotional, physical, cognitive, and creative development.

This nationally accredited Early Childhood Education Center is located at the Ray Hartstein campus in Skokie. For information, call 847.635.1441.

Educational Foundation

The Oakton College Educational Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Oakton College. It is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, public charity governed by a community-based, volunteer Board of Directors. Established in 1977, the foundation was chartered to raise funds in support of the college. It provides funding and resources for Oakton that are not available through normal government and tax resources. The foundation actively seeks contributions from a variety of sources, including individuals, corporations, and other foundations. Since its founding, it has funded student scholarships, faculty and staff grants, equipment purchases, campus enhancements, and other initiatives that enrich Oakton’s learning and working environment.

Food Service

Oakton provides cafeteria and vending machine service at the Des Plaines and Skokie campuses.

Grant Strategy and Development

The Office of Grant Strategy and Development serves the college by developing sources of external support for educational and program needs that may not be funded through the college’s operating budget. The office serves as the college’s central point for solicited and unsolicited funds to support college programs and activities. To this end, the office coordinates efforts to apply for, secure, and administer appropriate federal, state, corporate, and foundation grants.

Health Services

Health Services provides:

- educational programs and services that promote wellness and encourage more healthful behavior among students, faculty, and staff;
- referrals to health care agencies and health career professionals in the area; and
- emergency medical treatment.

Health Services is staffed by a full-time nurse in Des Plaines, a part-time nurse at the Ray Hartstein Campus, and a part-time physician/consultant. Health Services is located in Room 1200 in Des Plaines, 847.635.1885, and Room A175 at the Ray Hartstein Campus, 847.635.1419.

Parking

Student parking at the Des Plaines campus is available in Lots A and D, located directly north of the building. Handicapped parking is available in Lots A, B, and D for those with State of Illinois handicapped placards. Parking for employees is available in Lot C. Parking permits are required to park in this lot. At the Ray Hartstein Campus in Skokie, signs are posted that define faculty/staff spaces and other reserved spaces; all other parking is open to students, with additional parking available in the lot across Lincoln Avenue.

Appealing an Oakton Ticket

Students receiving a ticket for parking or moving violations have the right to appeal the ticket. The Student Judicial Board will hear all student appeals. Appeal forms are available at the Oakton Police Department or the Office of Student Life during regular office hours. Hearings are held the first Monday of the month in the afternoon.

All appeals must be received by the Office of Student Life within 21 days of the date the ticket was issued. Information on parking and speed regulations is contained in the Student Handbook.

Koehnl Museum of Art

The Koehnl Museum of Art at the Des Plaines campus features programs and exhibits for students, college employees, and members of the greater community. It serves an educational purpose, exploring and illuminating current directions in regional, national, and international art. The Museum serves as a lab for the Museum Studies course (ART 120), advocates the support of local art, and makes an active effort to present Chicago-area artists focusing on modern and contemporary art. In addition to temporary exhibitions in the art gallery, the Museum houses the Oakton art collection. This collection is on display throughout the Des Plaines and Skokie campuses, and there is a self-guided tour of the collection at each campus. The highlights of the collection are commissioned and donated paintings and graphics, and a sculpture park.