



## Reach Higher: Oklahoma's Adult Degree Completion Initiative



# Reach Higher: FlexFinish offers...

The Reach Higher initiative provides adult degree completion programs in flexible, non-traditional formats.

- **Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership**
- **Associate in Arts in Enterprise Development**
- **Associate in Science in Enterprise Development**

*Available at 7 universities and 14 community colleges and technical branches across the state.*



# Associate's Degree Admission Requirements

## Enterprise Development

- Earned at least 18 credit hours toward an associate degree
- Minimum 2.0 GPA based on prior college coursework
- Must meet all institutional remedial course requirements
- Upon admission, students receive written notification and are assigned an advisor to create a personalized degree plan

# Bachelor's Degree Admission Requirements

## Organizational Leadership

- Minimum of 72 credit hours completed
- General education requirements met (provisional admission possible if not yet completed)
- Completion of all remedial coursework
- Minimum 2.0 GPA for graduation and retention
- Written admission notification with assigned adviser
- Individual degree plan completed with home institution adviser

# How It Works

## ➤ **Application:**

- Apply online at [okhighered.org/adc/onlineapp](https://okhighered.org/adc/onlineapp)
- Home institutions may request additional documentation

## ➤ **Transcripts:**

- Required by the home institution
- Automatically shared with other Reach Higher schools if cross-enrolled

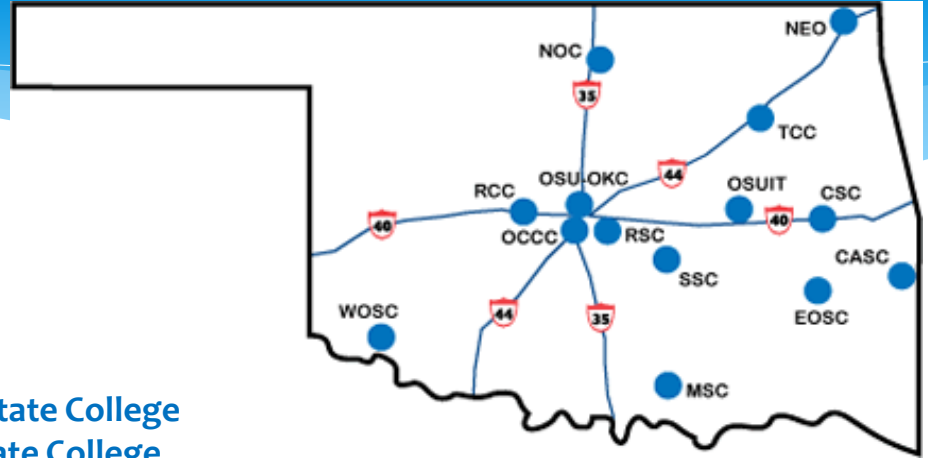
## ➤ **Format & Flexibility:**

- Choose on-campus or online courses
  - Year-round enrollment options designed for working adults

## PARTICIPATING TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS

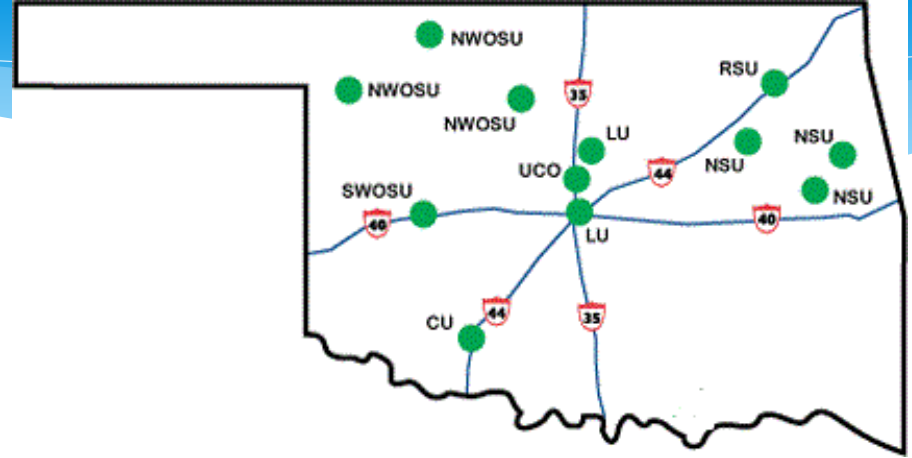
Associate in Arts or Science in  
Enterprise Development Options:  
General Studies  
Business

Carl Albert State College  
Connors State College  
Eastern Oklahoma State College  
Murray State College  
Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College  
Northern Oklahoma College  
Oklahoma City Community College  
Oklahoma State University-Institute of Technology  
Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City  
Redlands Community College  
Rose State College  
Seminole State College  
Tulsa Community College  
Western Oklahoma State College



## PARTICIPATING FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS

Bachelor of Science in  
Organizational Leadership



Cameron University  
Langston University  
Northeastern State University  
Northwestern Oklahoma State University  
Rogers State University  
Southwestern Oklahoma State University  
University of Central Oklahoma

# Reach Higher: DirectComplete





# What is DirectComplete?

DirectComplete is designed to help adults who have earned some college credit complete a degree linked to a critical occupation as designated by Oklahoma Works' [Oklahoma's 100 Critical Occupations list](#).

## ➤ Key Features:

- Focuses on career-aligned degrees in industries like healthcare, IT, education, and manufacturing
- Personalized support from academic advisors, financial aid staff, and career coaches
- Available at two- and four-year public and private institutions across Oklahoma
- Open to adults who are Oklahoma residents and meet eligibility requirements

# **Reach Higher: DirectComplete Criteria for Students**

- **Students aged 25 and up**
- **Those with 75% (45 hours) towards an associate degree or 50% (60 hours) towards a bachelor's degree**
- **2.0+ GPA in previous work and all remedial work completed**

# Student Referrals



- To get started, potential students should complete the Student Interest Form at [www.reachhigherok.org](http://www.reachhigherok.org)
- Within 3 days, a Reach Higher Navigator will contact the prospective student
- For more information, email [RHDirectComplete@osrhe.edu](mailto:RHDirectComplete@osrhe.edu)

# Current Participating Institutions



# Finish Line Scholarship



# Application Requirements

- Students are strongly encouraged, but not required to complete the FAFSA
- Must enroll in a minimum of 3 credit hours per semester with priority given to those enrolled in 6 credit hours
- Must maintain a minimum of 2.0 Retention/Graduation GPA or minimum GPA required for the specific program by the institution
- 45 credits to completion of an approved associate degree or 60 credits to completion of a bachelor degree at a Reach Higher institution
- Must be an Oklahoma resident



## **Funding Limits**

- Up to \$5,000 per student for an eligible associate degree program over five semesters.
- Up to \$7,000 per student for an eligible bachelor's degree program over seven semesters, including any prior associate degree awards.

## **Maximum Funding Duration**

- Five semesters for an associate degree with continued satisfactory progress.
- Seven semesters for a bachelor's degree, including any prior associate degree awards.
- Scholarships cover tuition, fees (including prior learning fees), or learning materials billed by the institution.

## **Minimum award**

- \$500 per semester if the award doesn't cover the full semester balance.
- Less than \$500 if the award fully resolves the semester balance.

# Important Reminders:

- It is important to submit all reimbursement forms through O-Safe, OSRHE Secure Access File Exchange. This is essential because the document contains personal information about the student. If you lack access, please reach out to me at [tbradford@osrhe.edu](mailto:tbradford@osrhe.edu) for help, or contact your financial aid director for assistance with the upload. **Please do not send this document directly to my email.**
- Ensuring accurate completion of all fields is crucial. A frequent mistake involves the degree program code, which should be a 3-digit number rather than letters or the program's name. You can locate the degree program codes on the [Degree Program Inventory](#) found on OSRHE's website. Click on the degree program inventory, select the academic year, and your institution. The report will automatically appear, allowing you to sort the list alphabetically by clicking on the Program Title heading.
- When organizing your lists, please arrange them alphabetically by last name, making sure that the first name and last name are in their designated columns, with the first name listed first. Previous reports have shown cases where these columns were swapped, resulting in the last name appearing in the first name field.
- You may submit additional reimbursement requests along with the original reimbursement form.



# Reimbursement Form Deadlines:

Fall Deadline: October 24, 2025

Fall Second Deadline: November 7, 2025

Spring Deadline: March 27, 2026

Spring Second Deadline: April 10, 2026

Summer Deadline June 12, 2026

No additional deadline for summer due to short term



Reach Higher Finish Line Scholarship application:

<https://reachhigherok.org/finishlineok/scholarship-application/>

Participating institutions and approved degree programs:

<https://reachhigherok.org/adult-scholarships/>

# RECONNECT



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- **Exciting, Family-Friendly Event!**
- Key departments: Admissions, Financial Aid, Registrar, Bursar, Enrollment, Academic Advisors, Student Services, and Reach Higher Coordinator.
- Promote games, giveaways, and exciting prizes!
- **Kickoff Event:** 3-hour launch (any day)
  - Week-long series of events
  - Includes one after-hours event



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