

OWENS COMMUNITY COLLEGE Foundation & Alumni



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Owens Golf Classic Raises \$84,638 for CIS Program

The 23rd Annual Owens Foundation Golf Classic, presented by Toledo Building Services, raised \$84,637.67 at Belmont Country Club in Perrysburg. Proceeds will support Owens Community College's Computer Information Systems program, funding updated technology and equipment. The event brought together community partners and supporters to help students gain hands-on experience and prepare for success in high-demand technology careers.



Owens President Celebrates 60th Anniversary, Start of BSN Program

in State of the College Address

Owens Community College marked its 60th anniversary with President Dr. Dione Somerville's State of the College address, highlighting milestones, new programs like the online BSN, community partnerships and strategic goals. Celebrations, workforce initiatives and recognition of faculty excellence showcased Owens' continued commitment to accessible, high-quality education and regional impact.



Owens Announces First Bachelor's Degree

in Historic Milestone for Region's Leading Healthcare Educator

Owens Community College will launch its first bachelor's degree — a BSN Completion Program — in Summer 2026 to address Ohio's nursing shortage. Designed for working RNs, the flexible, online program expands career pathways, boosts earning potential and reflects Owens' commitment to affordable, high-quality healthcare education in northwest Ohio.

60th Anniversary Recognition

Owens Community College, celebrating 60 years, has grown from 200 students in 1965 to over 500,000 served. With strong employer partnerships, transfer pathways and student support, Owens provides affordable, career-focused education that builds communities, prepares tomorrow's workforce and remains a trusted leader in northwest Ohio higher education.

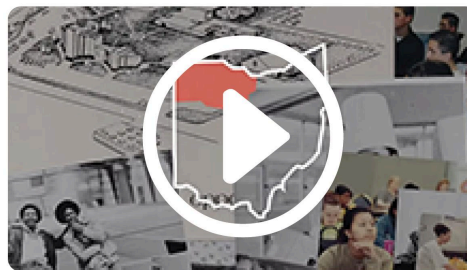
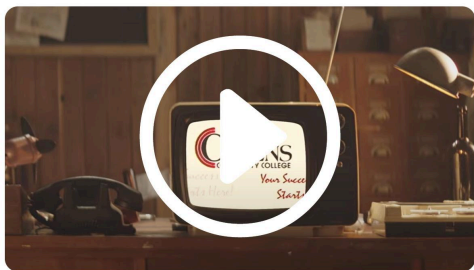
Owens will celebrate its anniversary with various events throughout the academic year. You can find more information by visiting owens.edu/owens60. You can also always find a list of upcoming events at the Owens on our events calendar at owens.edu/events.

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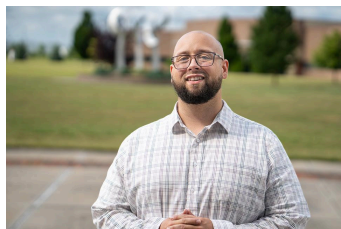
Owens alumni are invited to come to campus to see the new timeline in College Hall and the many other improvements made throughout campus. Share your comments and photos with the Foundation by emailing owensalumni@owens.edu.

Check Out Our 60th Commercials!



Owens Starts First Microsite for Early Childhood Education

Owens Community College and Lake Erie West launched the ECE Associate Alliance, bringing associate degree courses in early childhood education directly to childcare centers. The microsite model removes barriers by blending on-site and online learning, supporting working professionals with flexible, tailored instruction. The first eight-student cohort begins Fall 2025.



Findlay Student's Second Chance—from Addiction to Academic Excellence

After overcoming addiction, prison and past academic struggles, Devin Davis returned to Owens Findlay-area Campus, earning a 4.0 GPA and graduating this summer with an Associate of Arts. Now pursuing social work, he hopes to guide others through challenges he's faced, proving redemption and growth are always possible.

