

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa, California, was founded in 1947 on a site granted by the federal government. The campus currently consists of 164 acres used for instructional facilities, athletic fields, and parking areas. The Coast Community College District is comprised of three public community colleges: Orange Coast College, Golden West College, and Coastline Community College. Each is a tax-supported community college.

Vision Statement

To be the standard of excellence in transforming lives through education.

Mission Statement

Orange Coast College serves the educational needs of our diverse local and global community. The College empowers students to achieve their educational goals by providing high quality and innovative programs and services leading to academic degrees, college transfers, certificates in career and technical education, basic skills, and workforce development to enable lifelong learning. The College promotes student learning and development through fostering a respectful, supportive, participatory, and equitable campus climate of student engagement and academic inquiry.

Institutional Commitment

Orange Coast College is committed to providing a unique learning community where freedom of thought and personal and intellectual growth is valued by all. As an outcome of their academic study, graduates of Orange Coast College possess proficiency in four core areas: Communication, Thinking Skills, Global Awareness, and Personal Development and Responsibility. Administrators, faculty, and staff are committed to the development of students as individuals and as citizens of the world. We value teaching and learning relationships, support services, and co-curricular programs that contribute to meaningful personal growth in our students and to their quest for knowledge.