



Build Your Future

Get Serious.

Welcome to Our Lady of Holy Cross College! If you're serious about learning, and are looking for a small, friendly environment where you can focus on your future, you've found the right place. Pursue your dreams, launch a rewarding career, and achieve your highest ambitions. Get started by creating a personalized guide to show you around.

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SERIOUS PROGRAMS

Nursing

The only four-year Catholic baccalaureate nursing program in Louisiana, our division offers "a little something extra." When you enroll, you'll receive a strong grounding in all areas of nursing, but you're also integrally involved with our broad foundation liberal arts education. In your classes that aren't clinical, you learn to communicate well with people majoring in many different fields—a practical skill you can draw on when you're caring for patients from diverse backgrounds. Our department offers a program of study leading to a Bachelor of Nursing degree (BSN) and grads are qualified to take NCLEX (National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses). To date, over 94% of our graduates pass the exam on their first try.

Seriously

OLHCC's nursing program won the "best in the state" award from the Louisiana Nursing Foundation in 2003.

Allied Health

OLHCC has teamed up with Ochsner Allied Health Sciences Programs to give you a superior education. Elect to study Respiratory Care, Radiologic Technology or Health Sciences, and reap the benefits from our years of experience. The Ochsner Programs in Radiological Technology and Respiratory Care have been in existence since 1970. Since that time we've had a 100% passing rate on national exams. Over the last ten years 100% of those seeking employment within six months of graduation were hired.

Seriously

Our program consistently exceeds the State and National averages for first-time examinees.

Business Administration

Our Business Administration Program adheres to your highest standards. The curriculum emphasizes a broad education to prepare you for those managerial and executive positions you're after. You'll be

exposed to all types of business functions, which will get you ready for graduate study in the world of business and economics, and help you learn successful and ethical practices. Focus in on any of these concentrations: Accounting, General Business, Management, or Marketing.

Seriously

Our professional business fraternity, Delta Sigma Pi, was honored twice as most outstanding chapter in the nation.

Education

At OLHCC, we teach you to teach exceptionally well. Our teacher training program gives you a broad-based view of different types of teaching methods. You'll learn from practical and clinical experiences, seminars, internships, and role modeling. You'll get ahead with individual guidance and early in-classroom experience, which prepares you for a semester of full-time teaching your senior year. If you already have a Bachelor's degree and are interested in changing your career to become a teacher, OLHCC offers Alternative Teacher Certification. (<http://olhcc.edu/x274.xml>)

Seriously

OLHCC teachers are some of the most sought-after educators, with 97% hired within six months of obtaining their certification.

Humanities

When you pursue a degree in the Humanities, you not only will you hone your communication abilities, interdisciplinary awareness, and computer information skills, you'll expand your knowledge of human life and cultural appreciation. OLHCC's esteemed faculty provides a full spectrum of courses to help you understand technological, aesthetic, and philosophical perspectives. We offer degrees in English, Humanities Interdisciplinary Studies, Theology and Interdisciplinary/Pre-Professional Studies.

Seriously

The liberal arts foundation exceeds the requirements of the Board of Regents for the State of Louisiana.

Natural Sciences

Think objectively. Think independently. Adapt to the ever-changing technological workplace. Our division allows you to do just that. By the time you graduate, you'll have a comprehensive background in biology with support from the areas of chemistry, earth science, mathematics, and physics—solid preparation for any Allied Health career. Take your pick from degrees in Biology, Health Sciences, Pre-Professional Medicine, Pre-Professional Veterinary Medicine, and Pre-Professional Pharmacy.

Seriously

Biology grads have gone on to excel in botany, zoology, agronomy, oceanography, and taxonomy.

Social Sciences

So you're a "people person." When you enroll in the Social Sciences Program, you'll learn about broad cultural experiences of people from prehistoric times to the modern era. This division offers degrees in History, Social Science, Human Services, and General Studies. If you're looking to get a jump start on graduate studies, we offer a five-year Counseling Early Entry Program. Let OLHCC show you how to become a competent professional, a confident leader, and an effective communicator.

Seriously

100% of recent counseling graduates passed the National Counselors Exam (NCE) on the first try.

Master of Education

At OLHCC, you receive the kind of personalized attention that is hard to find at big universities. And, you won't find our state-of-the-art training facilities and local field experience partnerships anywhere else. You'll develop effective research techniques and delve into the world of multicultural education, curriculum theory and practice, psycholinguistics, and school law. Our grads gain an understanding of all the critical aspects affecting education today, and learn how to incorporate this knowledge as highly effective educators. If you already have a Bachelor's degree and are interested in changing your career to become a teacher, OLHCC offers Alternative Teacher Certification. (<http://olhcc.edu/x274.xml>)

Seriously

The Graduate Education Program is accredited by NCATE.

Master of Arts Theology

Lay the foundation for lifelong theological studies. Get hands-on training through outreach programs. Engage in a search for deeper understanding. When you take part in the Graduate Program in Theology, the learning opportunities seem limitless. Our program engages students in all the foundational areas of Catholic theology: scripture, sacred tradition, dogmatic and moral reflection, and practice of quality theological research.

Seriously

Learning is shaped by nationally recognized scholars with expertise in theological and pastoral activity.

Master of Arts, Counseling

Our Graduate Counseling Program is highly regarded, with concentrations in Community Counseling, Marriage and Family Counseling, and School Counseling. The Thomas E. Chambers Counseling and Training Center on campus provides an ideal setting, including the latest in technology, to develop your counseling abilities. You'll learn from the best and share in our graduates' fine reputations. OLHCC alumni are professional counselors in a variety of fields throughout Louisiana and are known for their knowledge and skills.

Seriously

Master's degree program students get firsthand experience through our state-of-the-art counseling and training center.

PROFILES

Darnechia McGrew

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Harvey, LA

Masters of Arts Counseling, 2009

Serious Experience

On the Program

I came to OLHCC because of the counseling center. You get to go through practicum and internships before you go out into the field. My teachers review video of my sessions to show me what I'm doing right, and which approaches still need work. The whole process makes you more

self-aware. My teachers laid out the guidelines, benefits and expectations. That sort of thing is critical on the graduate level, because your learning is compressed into a couple of years. If you don't get off on the right foot, you can get in over your head.

On Teachers

I look up to my teachers. They project a lot of personal power. They're models of what women can do in my profession. They work hand-in-hand with the judicial system to see that people with mental disabilities who commit crimes receive the proper treatment they need. I'd like to have that kind of presence in the community.

On Financial Aid

There's no red tape. The counselors let me know when my rewards come through, check on my loans and make sure my estimated refunds are ok. It's a 15-minute process, if that.

On Extracurriculars

I work full-time as a case manager. I run a marketing company that does advertising for night clubs and catering, which as you can imagine, has some nice perks. I'm also working on a documentary about the homeless in New Orleans. I have a pretty busy schedule, but I'm organized!

Darnechia's Quote:

My teachers are models of what a woman can do in my profession.

Shawn Porter

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Historic Gretna, LA

Social Counseling, 2008

Serious Experience

On the Program

Next year, I'm going to grad school in Chicago to get my Doctorate in Psychology, and the Social Counseling Program has prepared me well. OLHCC set me up with an internship at West Jefferson Medical Center; I got to do charting, assessments, rounds with doctors, and lead groups. That's when I knew psychology was the field for me.

On Extracurriculars

I was the president of the Horticulture and Culinary Society. We planted a garden right in the courtyard and anyone could go and pick herbs and flowers. We created a society, instead of a club, so the local community could be involved. Dan Gill, a horticulturist with the LSU AgCenter, was an honorary member. Our plant and barbeque sale was featured on his weekly garden show, and a lot of people came out to support us.

On Travel

Before Hurricane Katrina, I was on the study abroad committee. I was lucky enough to study in France and Italy for three weeks in the summer, where my time was filled with day trips to museums, art classes and sightseeing. One of my favorite excursions was in Le Mans, France, which is where the Congregation of Holy Cross was founded. Those were life-changing experiences.

On the Neighborhood

Some say that Historic Gretna is the Uptown of the Westbank, and I have to agree! I know students who commute over an hour to campus; so by comparison, my ten-minute drive is a breeze. The neighborhood is amazing—lots of old, beautiful houses and a safe, community feel.

Shawn's Quote:

We traveled to Le Mans, France, which is where the Congregation of Holy Cross was founded.

Emily Huevo

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Marrero, LA

Undecided, 2011

Serious Experience

On the Program

I've got a lot of interests: biology, education, theology. My ideal job would be a biology teacher who incorporates theology into the classroom. I'm taking a class about it right now, and we're learning all the ways to build bridges between science and faith. I picked OLHCC because I'd heard their Education and Theology programs were excellent. So far, they've lived up to my expectations!

On Legacy

We're an OLHCC family. My dad just graduated last year with a Bachelor's and a Master's degree in counseling. He got his degree at night and now he's a guidance counselor at Delgado Community College. He's an amazing man and a great role model. My mom is working on her Nursing degree. We're taking a class together and will be in the same graduating class! It's nice to have a study buddy so close at hand.

On Extracurriculars

I belong to Alpha and Omega, a student theology group. We have student Masses once a month, where we do readings, sing, and play music. We just held an on-campus event called Praise Him, and I helped choose our speaker, Father Joe Benson. He's the priest at my parish, as well as a highly entertaining and powerful speaker.

On the Commute

I don't live very far away from campus. I only have a 15-minute drive each way. I carpool with my mom when we have similar schedules, so we save gas and the drive goes by even more quickly.

Emily's Quote:

I carpool with my mom, so we save gas and the drive goes by quickly.

Sandi Brugier

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Metairie, LA

Theology, Minor in Education, 2008

Serious Experience

On the Program

I transferred to OLHCC because it offered a major in Theology with a minor in Education, which is exactly what I needed. I want to be a high school religion teacher and nowhere else offered such a specific program. In OLHCC's program, you're offered hands-on experience in religion classes in a variety of settings—different schools, different grades, co-ed, all-girl, all-boy.

On Teachers

Drs. Sullivan and Maloney are two truly phenomenal instructors. They're both incredibly supportive women who whole-heartedly believe in what they're teaching. We're full-time students and, in a

way, full-time teachers. We have to make lesson plans and tests and take courses on how to teach a variety of subjects. The teachers understand what we're going through and teach us how to prioritize and be systematic.

On Financial Aid

I've had the TOPS scholarship every year, in addition to student loans and grants. I was a student worker in the financial aid office for two years, and take it from me, the counselors know what they're doing. They've gone digital and streamlined the whole financial aid process.

On the Neighborhood

The commute to OLHCC's campus is a snap, and I'm getting good at finding back roads to De La Salle High School, which is where I'm training. I was born and raised in Metairie, and having lived here my whole life, I still haven't run out of things to do in the city! My out-of-town friends love visiting, and we do tourist-y things like ride the streetcar all the way downtown. You see the city from a whole new perspective.

Sandi's Quote:

The counselors have gone digital and streamlined the whole financial aid process.

Rose Ho

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Gretna, LA

Nursing, 2008

Serious Experience

On OLHCC

I transferred to OLHCC because I heard the College had one of the best nursing programs in the state. That was one of the best decisions I ever made. There's such a dramatic change in setting when you go from giant, overwhelming auditoriums at a big university to small, intimate classrooms. As a senior, I spend most of my time in a hospital setting. My instructor, Mr. Cahill, took the time to show us the ins and outs of the different floors, which took a lot of the pressure off.

On Career Goals

I want to work in the medical/surgical field or in cardio-critical care. A few years down the road, I plan on getting my Master's degree so I can become an expert in my area.

On Financial Aid

Financial aid at OLHCC is top notch. My counselor, Ms. Wavelen, is especially diligent in making sure all my bases are covered. She's helped me get a Cal grant, a work study job, scholarships, and loans. She's pretty determined to get me through college.

On the Neighborhood

Gretna's only 15-20 minutes away from campus. It's nice living in a city where everything's close at hand. When I'm not working or studying, I've got great food, jazz, and season tickets to Hornets' basketball games. What more could I want?

Rose's Quote:

There's a dramatic change going from giant auditoriums at big universities to OLHCC's intimate classrooms.

Chianti Kaufman
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New Orleans, LA
Nursing, 2008

Serious Experience

On Teachers

One of my professors, Dr. Theresa O'Neil, really took the time to make sure I understood the assignments. One of my weaker academic areas was writing nursing papers. Before each paper was due, I'd print it out and she gave me advice to make the paper better. I started writing A-papers, but more importantly, Dr. O'Neal taught me *how* to write well. She still checks up on me and is writing some recommendations for my scholarships.

On Career Goals

After I graduate from OLHCC, I'm going to work in the ICU or the ER as a nurse for a year before I go on to Nurse Anesthetist School. When you work with the critically ill, you learn about the patients and their family. I enjoy having these personal interactions.

On Extracurriculars

I belong to the Association of Nurse Volunteers. We participate in community projects like the Breast Cancer Walk and the Algiers Clean Sweep, where we spruce up the neighborhood. I'm also in Tri Beta, the biology honors society, and I'm training to be a commissioned officer in the Louisiana National Guard. I keep pretty busy!

On the Neighborhood

I live three blocks away from OLHCC, so there's not much of a commute! Algiers has some great neighborhoods and all around, I feel very safe. Algiers is a short drive away from some really fantastic restaurants—wine lofts, tapas bars, even hibachi. My tastebuds are never bored here.

Chianti's Quote:

There's a real open line of communication between the teachers and their students.

Alex Lorio
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Metairie, LA
Theology, 2011

Serious Experience

On OLHCC

Some of my friends go to large universities, and they sit in 800-seat classrooms. Compare that with one of my Theology classes, where it's just me and the teacher. At OLHCC, you can actually talk and have an academic relationship with your teachers. I've become fast friends with the people in my program. I can't see myself anywhere else.

On Teachers

OLHCC has some of the most renowned theologians and philosophers on its faculty. What they teach comes from their hearts. They've put in years and years of study, and it shows in the classroom. I'd heard one of Dr. Pitre's classes on a CD in high school, and I was blown away. That's a man of wit and conviction. Not only are our teachers eloquent speakers, they give you a desire to learn. Even the two and a half hour classes go by fast!

On Career Goals

I want to be a high school religion teacher, or maybe I'll go into youth ministry or the seminary. That's what's great about this program—it's so versatile and prepares you for a wide array of careers. Even the extracurriculars benefit my education. I belong to Alpha and Omega, which is a Catholic service group here on campus. We do different community projects, like giving toys to children for Christmas and helping out at soup kitchens.

On the Commute

I'm from the Metairie area, so I just hop on the interstate and go.

Alex's Quote:

I can't see myself anywhere else.

John Riley

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Lower Plaquemines, LA

Business Administration – Marketing, 2008

Serious Experience

On Teachers

Here, instructors don't just read off Power Point presentations. These are real-world instructors. They bring their real-world knowledge and experience into the classroom. It's the difference between nodding off and hanging on to every word.

On Non-Tradition

I'm a father and husband first. As a working professional, I knew it would be tough going back to school. Because OLHCC's class schedules are flexible and the instructors genuinely care about your education, I've literally been able to get my degree at night. The culture of the school is, 'What are you trying to accomplish? I'll help you get there!' That matters."

On Career Goals

Right now, I'm an advertising account executive at Fox 8. It's my job to negotiate media buys for my station and to find new businesses that can benefit from advertising on the station. My long-term goal is to be the general manager of a television station. I want to keep nurturing my abilities and learn the language of the business. Listing my status as an OLHCC business student is one of the most powerful things on my resume. My degree will validate my credibility and credentials.

On Extracurriculars

I use my position as vice president of fundraising of Delta Sigma Pi to share my real-world experiences—I've worked in the financial sector, the military, and I have a family. It's a great feeling to touch the minds of people who are interested.

John's Quote:

OLHCC's culture is, 'What are you trying to accomplish? I'll help you get there!'

Whitney Rucker

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Metairie, LA

Counseling – Early Entry, 2009

Serious Experience

On the Teachers

Teachers here leave no one behind. They're very hands-on and it's not uncommon for them to hand out their cell phone numbers in case we need help with assignments. In my first year I had no idea what I should study. Dr. White, the dean of counseling, is my adviser and she took the time to point me in the right direction.

On Career Goals

I'm in the Early Entry Program, which means you earn your degree in five years instead of six. I'll graduate with a Master's degree in Marriage and Family. Eventually, I want my own private practice. I'd also love to come back and teach a night class at OLHCC! The college has done so much for me, and I'd really like to continue to be a presence here.

On the Commute

I live in Metairie, so the prospect of driving to the West Bank every day was a little daunting. I soon learned that the commute isn't hard at all. I just turn the radio on and have 20 minutes to myself.

On Financial Aid

The Enrollment Services counselors are like super sleuths. They'll find every loan and scholarship available to make sure you're taken care of.

Whitney's Quote:

I'd love to come back and teach a night class at OLHCC!

OLHCC AT-A-GLANCE

Serious Locale

If you live on the Westbank

You're already home. Conveniently located on the Westbank, Our Lady of Holy Cross College boasts a 40-acre campus nestled in a residential area. The College has been a safe haven in Post-Katrina New Orleans—part of an area that has recovered its vitality. Our campus uses the latest technology to ensure the safety and security of students, but you're also under the watchful eye of faculty and staff.

If you live in New Orleans, Metairie or on the Northshore

We're just a hop, skip and a quick exit off the interstate. Located on the Westbank of the Mississippi River in Algiers, Louisiana, Our Lady of Holy Cross College boasts a 40-acre campus nestled in a residential area. The College has been a safe haven in Post-Katrina New Orleans—part of an area that has recovered its vitality. Our campus uses the latest technology to ensure the safety and security of students, but you're also under the watchful eye of faculty and staff.

If you live in-state

Located on the West Bank of the Mississippi River minutes from downtown New Orleans, Our Lady of Holy Cross College boasts a 40-acre campus nestled in a residential area. The College has been a safe haven in Post-Katrina New Orleans—part of an area that has recovered its vitality. Our campus uses the latest technology to ensure the safety and security of students, but you're also under the watchful eye of faculty and staff.

If you live out-of-state

Looking for a change of scene? OLHCC is one of the South's most unique educational experiences. Located on the West Bank of the Mississippi River minutes from downtown New Orleans, OLHCC boasts a 40-acre campus nestled in a residential area. The College has been a safe haven in Post-Katrina New Orleans—part of an area that's recovered its vitality. Our campus uses the latest

technology to ensure the safety and security of students, but you're also under the watchful eye of faculty and staff.

Seriously Interested In:

Residential Options

Know what it means to live in New Orleans. Whether you want to live close to campus in Algiers, reside in trendy Uptown or see yourself in the suburbs of Metairie or Kenner, you're sure to find a home away from home. Read more (<http://neworleans.apartments.com/>)

Exploring the Neighborhood

Centrally located on the thriving West Bank of New Orleans, our tree-lined campus is close to downtown attractions, shopping, private housing, and recreation, including English Turn Golf and Country Club, the site of a PGA tour tournament. There's plenty of exciting things to do both on campus and nearby. Read more (<http://olhcc.edu/x493.xml>).

Online Education

Working students have busy schedules. Our Lady of Holy Cross College offers a variety of courses where you can earn credit via the Internet so you can earn your degree without putting your life on hold. Read more (<http://olhcc.edu/x723.xml>).

Spiritual Life

Spiritual growth is at the core of an OLHCC experience. The College stems from a rich Catholic tradition formed by the Family of Holy Cross and the Marianites of Holy Cross. The Office of Campus Ministry offers students a comfortable, caring environment and evenings of reflection, prayer groups, retreats and opportunities for volunteerism. Read more (<http://olhcc.edu/x341.xml>).

Getting Involved

Many activities at OLHCC revolve around clubs, organizations, and fraternities—and OLHCC has some of the best. Whether you're looking to hone your professional skills, build community awareness, or make lifelong friends, we've got an activity for you. Read more (<http://olhcc.edu/x340.xml>).

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Student Life

<http://www.olhcc.edu/x340.xml>

Career Services

<http://www.olhcc.edu/x371.xml>

Admissions

<http://www.olhcc.edu/x263.xml>

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