

STUDENT SERVICES

Accommodative Services

The Office of Accommodative Services provides equal access, support, resources, and advocacy to students who have documented disabilities. In addition, Accommodative Services work in an advisory capacity with faculty and staff in an effort to develop reasonable accommodations that allow students with disabilities to fully participate in all programs and services offered at the College.

The Testing Center and Accommodative Services Director functions as a liaison with faculty and staff, as well as with community agencies. The primary goal of Accommodative Services is to implement classroom accommodations based on individual needs, to provide student support, and to enable students with disabilities to have equal access to Rhodes State programs and services. Rhodes State buildings comply with Federal regulations for individuals with disabilities by providing access through external ramps, automatic doors, elevators, designated parking areas close to the buildings, and restroom facilities.

There are many types of accommodations available to students, and all decisions are made on a case-by-case basis. The most common accommodations include (but are not limited to) extended time on tests, reduced distraction testing, enlarged print materials, use of an audio recorder or C-Pen in the classroom, and use of audio textbooks. For more information, call (419) 995-8476 or visit Technical Education Laboratory Building, Room 132.

Bookstore

The Barnes & Noble bookstore is located on the first floor of the Public Service Building. The bookstore stocks all textbooks and supplies necessary for each course. In addition, there are a variety of gift items, such as sweatshirts, t-shirts, and novelty items. Bookstore hours vary throughout the year.

The bookstore sells and buys new and used books. Refunds and exchanges will be made only at specific times for specified items. Please check the store for refund and buy-back policies. Students can purchase their books from the Bookstore website.

Career Development

The Office of Career Development at Rhodes State College provides comprehensive resources to support students throughout their career journey. Services include academic major and career exploration, cover letter and résumé development, job search strategies, interview preparation, and transfer assistance. Students can benefit from personalized career coaching appointments tailored to help them achieve their professional goals.

The College Central Network (CCN) offers an online job board where students can search for exclusive job listings, upload résumés, and develop online career portfolios to share with employers. Users can also download free career advice documents and podcasts. Students are encouraged to activate or create a CCN account to explore available opportunities and enhance their job search.

For more information, visit Career Development. To schedule an appointment, call (419) 995-8312 or email CareerDevelopment@RhodesState.edu.

Child Care

The Rhodes State College Early Learning Center at the Lima YMCA is available for students and staff with small children six weeks to six years at a reduced rate. All staff have their Child Development Associate (CDA) or degree in Early Childhood Education. The Center has been awarded the "Step Up to Quality" rating and strives to provide a program that includes a loving, nurturing environment, professional staff, and a developmentally appropriate curriculum that enables every child to grow and learn. Contact the Child Care Center at (419) 223-1044 or visit the Rhodes State College website for additional information.

Computer Resources

Computer labs are available for student use in various locations around campus. Students' username and password to use computers and email services are available 24 to 48 hours after acceptance to the College. Students with disabilities should contact Accommodative Services if adaptive equipment is needed. Operating hours are posted outside each lab.

Dental Hygiene Clinic

The Rhodes State College Dental Hygiene Clinic provides preventive dental hygiene treatment to include: an oral exam, radiographs (x-rays), oral prophylaxis (cleaning), fluoride treatment, dental sealants, and oral health instruction. The majority of these services are available without charge to the Rhodes State College students and employees. The Dr. Kenneth and Jean Clemens Clinic is located in Cook Hall; the hours vary from semester to semester.

Developmental Education

Rhodes State College evaluates students' academic preparedness by administering an assessment of reading, writing, and math skills upon admission. The information obtained during this assessment process is critical to proper course selection. To provide appropriate educational experiences aimed at strengthening a student's academic skills, taking developmental courses in reading, writing, math, or science is sometimes necessary. Developmental courses are designed to preserve and make possible educational opportunities for each student. They help to develop the skills, attitudes, and competencies necessary for success in college courses. Developmental courses do not count toward a student's graduation requirements. However, final grades in these courses do count in the grade point average.

The developmental courses normally offered and their credit hour values include:

Code	Title	Hours
BIO 0900		3
CHM 0960	Introductory Science	3
COM 0990	Integrated Reading and Writing	3
CPT 0980	Developmental Computer Skills	2
MTH 0900	Mathematics Foundations	4
MTH 0937	College Algebra Companion Course	3
MTH 0926	Statistics Companion Course	3
MTH 0933	Quantitative Reasoning or Statistics Companion Course (Qu antitative Reasoning or Statistics Companion Course)	2

MTH 0951	Quantitative Reasoning Companion Course	2
MTH 0953	Foundations for College Algebra	5

Food Services

Limited food services are available in the OSU-Lima Perry Webb Student Life Building. Hours for food services are posted each semester. Vending machines offering snacks and beverages are located in all buildings. At the Borra Center for Health Sciences we are excited to offer a Fresh Market. The Fresh Market offers fresh and frozen food as well as snacks and Starbucks coffee.

Housing Information Service

Although most students commute daily from their homes, the College recognizes the group of students who need local housing. A listing of rental property management companies and a local residence hall-style housing unit is available in the Rhodes State Office of Student Success, PS 222. This listing is provided as information only. Rhodes State is NOT responsible for a student's choice of housing. The College does not inspect, approve, supervise, or maintain any properties for off-campus housing.

Internships and Experiential Learning

An internship or field experience is a structured form of experiential learning that integrates classroom knowledge and theory with real-world application and skill development in a professional workplace setting, whether in-person, remote, or hybrid. These experiences provide students with opportunities to gain hands-on experience, expand professional networks, explore career paths, and establish industry connections. The Director of Career Development assists students in understanding internship requirements and preparing for their internship through résumé development, job search strategies, and interview preparation.

The College Central Network (CCN) offers an online job board where students can search for exclusive internship listings, upload résumés, and develop online career portfolios to share with employers. Users can also access free career advice documents and podcasts. Students are encouraged to activate or create a CCN account to explore available opportunities and enhance their internship search.

Students majoring in Business, Engineering Technology, and Information Technology are required to complete an internship or field experience that aligns with their field of study, is approved by the respective department, and is registered for academic credit. These students are responsible for securing their own internship or field experience. The Office of Career Development recommends that students begin preparing for their internship search during their first semester at Rhodes State College, as some opportunities are posted up to a year in advance.

For more information, visit Internships and Experiential Learning. To schedule an appointment, call (419) 995-8312 or email CareerDevelopment@RhodesState.edu.

Library

With Rhodes' membership in OhioLINK, a statewide network of 89 academic libraries and the State Library of Ohio, students, faculty, and staff can access a wealth of information, including over 12,000 online journals with millions of full-text articles, 244,000 ebooks, 46 million books and printed materials, and over 100 databases. The Lima Campus Library, shared with The Ohio State University at Lima, has approximately

70,000 items in its collection. Items that are not available locally or via OhioLINK can be requested via interlibrary services.

There is ample study space in the library, in addition to a video recording studio and a reservable conference room. Please consult the library website for hours. To find out more about the library, visit its website.

Testing Center

The Testing Center, located in the Technical Education Laboratory Building, Room 132 offers services that include the administration of the following exams: Accuplacer placement, instructional make-up, accommodated testing, non-Rhodes State College proctored, and certification/licensure tests. The Testing Center is a certified National Testing Network (NTN) and Pearson VUE Testing Center. The Testing Center is a member of the National College Testing Association (NCTA).

Users of the Testing Center are to note that:

- Appointments are required for all testing.
- Rhodes State students have the responsibility of reminding the instructor to send tests to the Testing Center at least two business days before the exam is to be administered.
- A picture ID is required to use any of the Testing Center services. All Rhodes State students must present their Rhodes State ID. Students who are scheduling placement tests and non-Rhodes State College students may present their driver's license or other government-issued picture ID. Please call for more information regarding what forms of identification are acceptable.

For more information on the Testing Center, call (419) 995-8476.

Tutoring Center

The Tutoring Center, located in the Science Building, Room 240, provides academic support services and resources to all Rhodes State students free of charge. The Center is committed to providing student-centered opportunities for learning and intellectual competence in a universal access environment. Tutors and staff engage students in achieving their personal and educational goals by developing academic skills and critical thinking abilities.

Appointments are recommended, and online tutoring is available through the Ohio eTutoring Consortium and Tutor.com. More information regarding online tutoring is available on the Tutoring Center webpage. The goal of tutoring is to aid students in developing the skills, strategies, and attitudes necessary to reach their academic goals. Tutors help with specific course material and integrate study and learning strategies to promote independent learning.

For more information, contact (419) 995-8196.