

Workforce Education

Orange Technical College and Valencia College

Education to Careers and Employment

Collaboration Beats Competition Every Time!



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Workforce Education at Orange Technical College and Valencia College

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Mission and Purpose

- **Design** programs that meet the education, training, and employment needs of our students and the community
- **Develop** and maintain workforce programs that prepare students for high demand jobs important to the economic development of Orange and surrounding counties
- **Support** the community's employment demand



Orange Technical College and Valencia Workforce Programs

Education to Careers and Employment

Orange Technical College – Dual Enrollment (Tech college and home high school)

- Dual enrollment allows OCPS high school juniors and seniors to take post-secondary level career certificate programs while enrolled at their home high school

Orange Technical College - Post Secondary Adult Vocational (PSAV) Programs and Career Certificates

- PSAV programs offers technical certificates for various careers that provide graduates with pathways to a high-skill, high-wage profession and/or college credits transferrable to a two-year A.S. degree

Valencia College - Associate in Science (A.S.) Degrees:

- A two-year degree with options for transition directly into a high-skill, high-wage profession upon graduation, or transfer (2+2) into a related bachelor's degree program at state colleges in Florida with **stackable college credit certificates**

Valencia College - Bachelor Degree Programs:

- Valencia's bachelor's degree programs (2+2) offer a pathway beyond the associate degree for career advancement

Orange Technical College Career & Workforce Programs

Education to Careers and Employment

Career
Certificate
Programs

Adult General
Education
(ESOL, GED)

Apprenticeship
Programs

Continuing
Education
(Short-term)

Secondary OTC
Classrooms

Career & Workforce Programs

Valencia offers **133** Career and Workforce Programs that prepare students to go directly to work in a Specialized Career.

34

A.S.
Degrees

88

Certificates

VALENCIA COLLEGE

5

Career
Certificates

6

Bachelor's
Degrees

Valencia's A.S. Degree programs also transfer into a bachelor's degree through a 2 + 2 program.

Orange Technical College and Valencia Workforce Initiative

A New Partnership in Education to Careers and Employment

It started with a collaborative “breakfast” and belief in the mission to better serve students:

- Ideated in 2014 by leadership from Orange Technical College and Valencia College
- Agreed the mission was to raise student awareness of stackable credentials for career advancement
- Launched in 2016
 - Deployed Tech Express advisors to each Orange Technical College campus
 - Collaborated on marketing that promoted articulation agreements



How Does the Partnership Work?

Strengthening the Relationship is Key

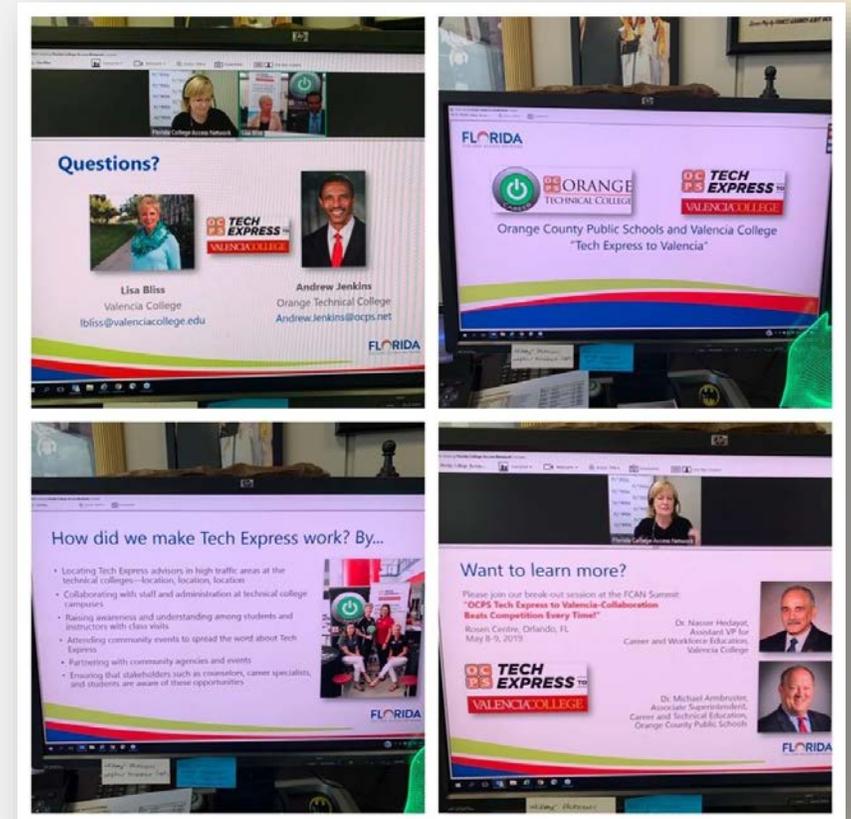
- **Endorsement:** Common goals
- **Inclusion:** Communication & participation
- **Earned Trust:** Collaboration
- **Acceptance:** Culture
- **Shared Interests:** Focus on students
- **Benefits:** Student success



Why Tech Express?

Bridge Between Orange Technical College and Valencia College

- Provides pathways to opportunities for career advancement and strengthens our educational ecosystem
 - Education
 - Stackable credentials give multiple entrance and exit points for students
 - Opportunities to explore technical and traditional college tracks
 - Career Opportunities
 - Rapid career advancement
 - Future earnings potential



What is Tech Express?

An innovative partnership between Valencia College and Orange Technical College that provides students an opportunity to earn articulated credits toward a college degree when students **complete** an approved Orange Technical College program.

- Creates a support system for Orange Technical college students
- Facilitates seamless transition to Valencia College
- Potentially increases recruitment and retention
- Provides students opportunity to earn stackable credentials
- Develops skilled workers needed for high-demand careers



Tech Express Benefits and Advantages

Thank you very much for everything that you did for me in order to make my transition from Orange Technical College to Valencia College possible, now I'm ready to open a new chapter in my career may God bless you and your family.

- Articulated pathways for students to earn credits and advance their education and career opportunities
- Opportunities for students increases enrollment, retention and completion
- Collaboration and communication strengthens relationships on Valencia College and Orange Technical College campuses between instructors, faculty, staff and administration

Thank you so much!!!! I spoke with my student today. She is interested in going to Valencia now and will pursue getting her AS in Supervision & Management!!!! Yaaay! Thank you for speaking to her that last day of school. If it wasn't for your talk, I don't think she would have considered it.

Wang Alcindor, CSIT OTC graduate currently enrolled in Network Engineering Technology A.S. degree program

What Does the Data Tell Us?

Before Tech Express

- Approximately 8-12 students articulated credits from Orange Technical College to Valencia College annually

Today (as of Spring 2019)

- Total students completed Valencia application = 484
- Total students enrolled at Valencia = 341

How does Tech Express Work?

- Valencia Tech Express Advisors are on Orange Technical College campuses to:
 - Promote the educational opportunities
 - Raise stakeholder awareness
 - Collaborate with staff and administration
 - Participate in campus events
 - Partner with community agencies



Vicki Fine, Manager



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Gwen Murrell, Tech Express Advisor



Lisa Bliss, Tech Express Advisor

Career & Workforce Programs

Partners and Stakeholders:

- The Department of Education (State and Federal)
- School Districts and Higher Education Institutions
- Businesses, Industries, & Local Government
 - Scholarships and Sponsorships



Business, Industry & Local Government



CareerSource Central Florida
Florida Manufacturing Career Fair



Orlando Economic Development Commission



Industry Advisory Councils



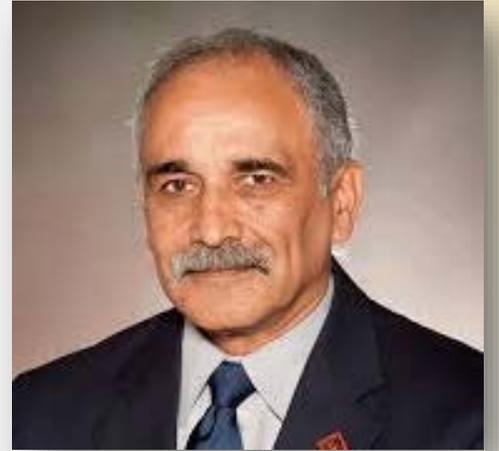
CEO Leadership Forums

What is the Future?

- Every student in an approved technical program at Orange Technical College enrolls at Valencia College and receives earned college credit
- Orange Technical College and Valencia College continue to create pathways to better opportunities for all of our students
- Qualified, highly-skilled workforce for our industry partners



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