

Ohio Means Internships & Co-ops Program

ANNUAL REPORT

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In accordance with Section 3333.041 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Higher Education is required to report on the academic and economic impact of Ohio's coop/internship program. The report is required to include information on the following:

- Progress and performance metrics for each initiative that received an award in the previous fiscal year;
- Economic indicators of the impact of each initiative, and all initiatives as a whole, on the regional economies and the statewide economy; and
- The chancellor's strategy in allocating awards among state institutions of higher education and how the actual awards fit that strategy.



Progress and performance metrics for each initiative that received an award in the previous fiscal year

The Ohio Means Internships & Co-ops (OMIC) program received funding through the Co-op Internship Program line item (GRF 235591) in state operating budgets from fiscal years 2014 to 2017. In this fiscal year, the Ohio Department of Higher Education did not receive an OMIC appropriation and made no awards. Although there were no grant awards made in fiscal year 2021, the grants awarded in prior years are still having an influence on student placements, as well as an economic impact, as outlined in Section II of this report.

The following table and map display the distribution of total student placements reported by grantees over the life of the program (2014 to 2021:

| GRANTEES | TOTAL STUDENT PLACEMENTS |
|--|--------------------------|
| Antioch College | 20 |
| Bowling Green State University | 418 |
| Central State University | 23 |
| Cincinnati State Technical & Community College | 81 |
| Clark State College | 67 |
| Cleveland State University | 402 |
| Cuyahoga Community College | 477 |
| Edison State Community College | 46 |
| Kent State University | 207 |
| Lorain County Community College | 152 |
| Lourdes University | 37 |
| Marietta College | 25 |
| Miami University | 167 |
| Ohio State University | 188 |

| GRANTEES | TOTAL STUDENT PLACEMENTS |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ohio University | 18 |
| Owens Community College | 239 |
| Rhodes State College | 486 |
| Southern State Community College | 241 |
| Stark State College | 351 |
| Terra State Community College | 63 |
| University of Akron | 115 |
| University of Cincinnati | 2,698 |
| University of Dayton | 203 |
| University of Findlay | 138 |
| University of Toledo | 172 |
| Wright State University | 471 |
| Youngstown State University | 202 |
| GRAND TOTAL: | 7,707 |

Placements based on total OMIC grantee reporting to date.

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OMIC Grantees (and their Partner Institutions) 2014-2021

1. Antioch College

13. Miami University

2. Bowling Green State University

- 37. Ohio Northern University
- 62. Northwest State Community College

3. Central State University

33. Greene County OTC

4. Cincinnati State Technical & Community College

5. Clark State College

50. Urbana University

6. Cleveland State University

7. Cuyahoga Community College

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34. Lakeland Community College 54. Baldwin Wallace University

8. Edison Community College 49. Upper Valley OTC

9. Kent State University

37. Ohio Northern University

10. Lorain County Community College

11. Lourdes University

48. University of Toledo

12. Marietta College

13. Miami University

14. Ohio State University

- 31. Columbus State Community College
- 36. North Central State College
- 55. C-TEC Career & Technology Centers of Licking County
- 57. Marion Technical College
- 59. Tolles OTC 60. Tri-Rivers OTC

15. Ohio University

16. Owens Community College

17. Rhodes State College

18. Southern State

Community College

- 27. Buckeye Hills OTC
- 38. Ohio University Chillicothe
- 40. Pickaway-Ross OTC
- 41. Pike County OTC
- 42. Rio Grande Community College
- 43. Scioto County OTC
- 44. Shawnee State University
- 47. University of Rio Grande
- 52. Washington State
- Community College
- 58. Ohio University Southern

19. Stark State College

20. Terra State Community College

51. Vanguard-Sentinel OTC

21. University of Akron

22. University of Cincinnati

- 4. Cincinnati State Community
- & Technical College 13. Miami University
- 29. College of Mount St. Joseph
- 53. Xavier University
- 56. Great Oaks Institute

of Technology & Career Dev

23. University of Dayton

45. Sinclair Community College

24. University of Findlay

39. Owens Community College (Findlay Campus)

25. Wright State University

61. Wright State University - Lake

26. Youngstown State University

- 28. Choffin OTC
- 30. Columbiana County OTC
- 32. Eastern Gateway
- Community College 35. Mahoning County OTC
- 46. Trumbull OTC





Note: Some Lead Institutions are also Partner Institutions



Economic indicators of the impact of each initiative, and all initiatives as a whole, on the regional economies and the statewide economy

Colleges and universities placed students across the range of industry sectors that drive Ohio's regional and statewide economies. OMIC opportunities result from strong campus partnerships with local and regional businesses. This engagement demonstrated the benefits for students and businesses in developing a talent pipeline and fulfilling workforce needs. Manufacturing businesses accounted for the largest industry participating in the program, showing the significance of this sector to Ohio's economy. This was followed by professional, scientific, and technical services, which also include accounting, engineering, design, consulting, and public relations/media businesses. The following data reported by the grantees encompass OMIC initiatives from 2014 to 2021, indicating the range of impacted industries and occupations.

North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) of OMIC Businesses

| Code | Industry Title | Number of Businesses | Percentage |
|-------|--|-------------------------|------------|
| 31-33 | Manufacturing | 644 | 37.6% |
| 54 | Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 281 | 16.4% |
| 52 | Finance and Insurance | 110 | 6.4% |
| 44-45 | Retail Trade | 109 | 6.4% |
| 81 | Other Services | 82 | 4.8% |
| 51 | Information | 78 | 4.6% |
| 23 | Construction | 71 | 4.1% |
| 11 | Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting | 49 | 2.9% |
| 62 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 49 | 2.9% |

| Code | Industry Title | Number of Businesses | Percentage |
|-------|--|-------------------------|------------|
| 42 | Wholesale Trade | 46 | 2.7% |
| 48-49 | Transportation and Warehousing | 38 | 2.2% |
| 56 | Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 33 | 1.9% |
| 22 | Utilities | 23 | 1.3% |
| 61 | Educational Services | 23 | 1.3% |
| 71 | Arts, Entertainment and Recreation | 20 | 1.2% |
| 72 | Accomodation and Food Services | 18 | 1.1% |
| | | 1,713* | 100% |

^{*}Industries that made up less than 1% were not included

The top three occupational fields for student co-ops and internships placed throughout the OMIC program were architecture and engineering, computer and mathematical, and production operations. Below is the distribution of the percentage of co-ops and interns in each occupational field.

Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) of OMIC Internships and Co-ops

| SOC | Occupation | Percentage |
|---------|---|------------|
| 17-0000 | Architecture and Engineering Occupations | 30.0% |
| 13-0000 | Business and Financial Operations Occupations | 18.2% |
| 15-0000 | Computer and Mathematical Occupations | 11.6% |
| 51-0000 | Production Occupations | 9.9% |
| 49-0000 | Installation, Maintenance and Repair Occupations | 9.5% |
| 11-0000 | Management Occupations | 4.7% |
| 41-0000 | Sales and Related Occupations | 2.1% |
| 19-0000 | Life, Physical and Social Science Occupations | 2.1% |
| 43-0000 | Office and Administrative Support Occupations | 1.8% |
| 31-0000 | Healthcare Support Occupations | 1.8% |
| 27-0000 | Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports and Media Occupations | 1.2% |
| 43-0000 | Community and Social Service Occupations | 1.1% |

Note: Occupations that made up less than 1% were not included.

Student Internship and Co-op Majors

The largest percentage of students hired as interns or co-ops studied engineering, followed by business and sciences. The OMIC program demonstrated a gradual shift from focusing on placing students in technical and business majors to providing opportunities for business and liberal arts students that also led to positions in high-demand occupations. Faculty outreach and support for internships and co-ops were critical factors in attracting new majors and students.

The following data reported by the grantees encompass OMIC initiatives from 2014 to 2021, indicating the wage, graduation, and employment impact on the regional and statewide economies:

7,707 students were placed in OMIC programs:

- 4,946 co-ops
- 2,761 internships

Total private match includes wages, business support, and other investment:

- \$34,641,800 total match investment
- Total wages earned by OMIC co-ops and interns are more than \$33.1 million since program inception.

Grades, graduation, and employment:

- 3.25 average GPA of OMIC co-ops & interns.
- 1,645 OMIC students graduated and are employed in Ohio.
- Of those reported, OMIC students working in Ohio are earning more than \$44,716 on average.
- Other students who have graduated are working outside of Ohio, enrolled in graduate school, or have joined the military.



The chancellor's strategy in allocating awards among state institutions of higher education and how the actual awards fit that strategy

The chancellor's strategy emphasized developing institutional collaborations, and new and expanded partnerships with businesses in the six JobsOhio regions, which led to placement of students in co-op and internship opportunities while increasing Ohio's skilled workforce. The Ohio Means Internships and Co-ops program began in 2014 with grants to 26 colleges and universities and their 31 partner institutions. Beginning in 2015, the program transitioned to an annual award to the six JobsOhio regions, helping support economic development strategies to retain and attract businesses. OMIC grantees worked to engage more students and businesses in internships and co-ops while expanding and enhancing their ability to do so.

Success in retaining students in Ohio after graduation was a desired outcome of the OMIC program, demonstrated with 1,645 students working in Ohio after completing their program. The 1,713 business partners were the career launch pad for students as they move into their chosen field.

Each funded project since 2015 has involved regional consortia consisting of universities, community colleges, and Ohio Technical Centers cooperating to invest in activities benefitting students and businesses. This arrangement has allowed for the creation of regional advisory committees and pilot projects, including faculty training to promote and support work-based learning. Business assistance provided by institutions has ranged from preparing position descriptions and designing intern evaluation tools to improving curriculum in response to business practices.

