ADMISSION TO OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY

Administration

Oregon State University welcomes all students without regard to race, creed, sex, marital status, sexual preference, age, religion, handicap, or national origin who provide evidence of suitable preparation for course work at the university level.

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Information for undergraduate, postbaccalaureate, nondegree undergraduate students is available from the Office of Admissions.

Admission applications are available at http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/apply-choose-application.

World Wide Web: http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/
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OSU code for SAT, AP, TOEFL, or CLEP reports: 4586
OSU code for ACT reports: 3482

Admission Requirements for First-Year Students

When to Apply

See application deadlines at http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/undergraduate-admission-deadlines.

The application and fee must be submitted electronically by the respective deadline.

The Admission Process

Apply online at http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/apply-choose-application. Applicants are required to use a valid Visa, MasterCard, or Discover credit card to pay the $65 nonrefundable application fee. Request that your high school send your official high school transcript to OSU, and have your official SAT or ACT test scores sent to OSU.

Portfolios, videotapes, essays and personal interviews are generally not required.

Evaluation Process

Admission to Oregon State University is selective and competitive and is based on a holistic review of application materials.

Complete applications are first reviewed to confirm successful completion of the 15 high school subject requirements and GPA earned. There is no minimum SAT or ACT score requirement. However, official scores from one of these tests are required for admission and advising purposes for students applying during their senior year of high school.

Applicants for undergraduate admission are required to complete an "Insight Résumé," a written assessment designed to evaluate students' non-cognitive attributes. These attributes include self-concept, realistic self-appraisal, handling the system, ability to set long-range goals, leadership, connections with a strong support person, community engagement, and nontraditional learning.

Academic performance is not the sole criterion for admission to the university. The university may evaluate a person's behavior and background to determine their ability to maintain the standards of academic and professional conduct expected at the university. An evaluation may take into consideration current behavior and performance as well as past experiences and actions. Simply qualifying for admission does not guarantee admission.

Go to http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/admission-requirements-0#Notification of status to see when applicants will be notified of their admission status.

Policy Regarding Students' Eligibility to Return to Prior College

Applicants who disclose that they are ineligible to re-enroll at any college or university that they attended within the last seven years for student conduct reasons will be automatically declined admission to OSU. Applicants who disclose that the reason for their ineligibility is for academic reasons may be admitted if they meet OSU's minimum academic requirements.

Applicants who are denied admission have the right to appeal that decision, and appeals will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Selection of First-Year Students

OSU's admission requirements promote student success by assessing preparedness and academic potential in the unique context of each student's personal experience. Admission assessment will consider all achievement, both academic and nonacademic, to enroll students with a broad range of characteristics and perspectives. These include, but are not limited to academic achievement, creativity, initiative, motivation, leadership, persistence, service to others, intellectual curiosity, exceptional personal or academic recognition, unusual talent or ability, substantial experience with other cultures, and ability to overcome significant challenges.

The admissions process provides a fair and comprehensive review of all applicants for determining potential success at OSU. It is crucial that applicants carefully complete the application process by providing thorough information. Estimating the likelihood of admission is very difficult without considering the complete application file.
**Regular Admission**

Initial admission selections are based on a holistic assessment of the criteria listed below.

**Strength of Curriculum:**
- Quality, quantity, and level of course work throughout the entire high school program, especially course work completed beyond the minimum courses required (See the high school course requirements chart.)
- Advanced placement (AP), international baccalaureate (IB), or college course work completed or in progress
- Strength of the program taken within the context of the high school attended
- Progressively challenging math sequence (including Algebra II), demonstrated by performance

**Academic Performance:**
- A recommended unweighted high school grade-point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale as calculated by the Office of Admissions)
- Class rank taken in context with academic rigor and size of high school attended
- Performance on standardized tests: SAT or ACT.

**Insight Résumé:**
- Understanding of you as a unique, contributing individual
- Your accomplishments, perspectives, experiences, and talents
- Your achievements within the context of your social and personal circumstances
- Participation in activities that develop academic, intellectual, and leadership abilities

Insight Résumé scores are also used for scholarship selection, secondary review of applicants who do not meet admission requirements, and compiling baseline data.

**Extended Admission (Admission Appeals)**

Students not selected for regular admission may appeal via the extended admission process. Extended admission decisions will be determined by the Undergraduate Admissions Committee. In addition to regular admission requirements, students participating in the extended admission review will be asked to provide additional materials for consideration. Please refer to the OSU Admissions website for specifics: http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/admission-appeals-aka-extended-admissions.

**High School Course Requirements**

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**Alternatives to Subject Requirements**

Students unable to fulfill the subject requirements will be eligible for consideration by:
1. Taking SAT II Subject Tests
   Or
2. Successfully completing course work (high school or college transfer) for specific subject deficiencies.

Alternatives should be completed by high school graduation.

**Test Requirements**

Freshman applicants (except those applying on the basis of GED scores) must submit Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT-Reasoning) or American College Test (ACT) scores. Test scores are used to determine course placement and are considered for applicants not meeting the minimum high school GPA requirement.

Official scores are required.

The institutional code for having most test scores sent to OSU is 4586. The OSU ACT code is 3482.
High School Graduation
Public high school students must graduate from standard high schools.\(^1\) Private high school students must graduate from accredited high schools.\(^2\)

1. Standard high schools are public high schools that are certified as meeting specified levels of resources, services, and quality established by the Oregon Department of Education.
2. Accredited high schools are those that are reviewed and recognized by a regional entity, such as the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, as meeting an appropriate level of academic rigor and support.

Graduates of Nonstandard or Unaccredited High Schools or Home-Schooled Students
Graduates of non-standard or unaccredited high schools, or home-schooled students will be considered for admission based on a holistic assessment using the following:

**SAT and/or ACT**
OSU requires students applying for admission during their senior year to submit SAT or ACT scores.

OSU prefers, but does not require, the essay portion of the new SAT test that began being administered in March 2016.

**SAT subject tests**
OSU requires students graduating from non-regionally accredited high schools and home-schooled students to provide scores from two SAT subject tests (Math I or II, and a second exam of the student’s choice).

Students who have 12 or more completed college credits in core subject areas (Math, Writing/English, Science) while pursuing their high school diploma will be considered as an alternative to the two SAT subject tests.

**Insight Résumé**
OSU seeks to look beyond grades and test scores to determine if applicants bring the necessary skills and abilities to be successful here. Your answers to the Insight Résumé, which is part of the OSU application for admission, provides us with:

- Understanding of you as a unique, contributing individual.
- Your accomplishments, perspectives, experiences, and talents.
- Your achievements within the context of your social and personal circumstances.
- Participation in activities that develop academic, intellectual, and leadership abilities.

**Additional Factors**
- Oregon State is also looking for students who will lend educational and cultural diversity to our campus. We are looking for students who go above and beyond the minimum whether in talent, academic ability or potential. Combined with academic strengths, evidence of these characteristics may be considered in our review of applicants for admission.
- Applicants who are ineligible to re-enroll at any college or university that they attended within the last seven years for student conduct reasons will be automatically declined admission at OSU. Applicants who are unable to re-enroll at a previous college or university for academic reasons may be considered for admission if they meet OSU’s minimum academic requirements.

Please note that academic performance is not the sole criterion for admission to the university. The university may evaluate a person’s behavior and background to determine their ability to maintain the standards of academic and professional conduct expected at the university. An evaluation may take into consideration current behavior and performance as well as past experiences and actions.

**GED Students**
GED students will be considered for admission if they achieve an average GED score of at least:

- 58, if taken prior to January 2002, with no subtest score less than 41
- 580, if taken between January 2002 and December 2013, with no subtest score less than 410
- 680 (total from 4 subject tests), if taken in January 2014 or later, with no subtest score less than 150

Students who take the GED test in the 1996–97 school year and later must pass two years of the same foreign language prior to admission or an approved additional way to meet OSU’s foreign language requirement. Foreign language taken at an unaccredited high school does not qualify. If you have questions pertaining to these guidelines, please contact the OSU Admissions Office regarding your options for completion of this requirement.

Non-cognitive skills and abilities demonstrated via a GED applicant’s Insight Résumé (see above) are also considered in making admission decisions.

Applicants admitted on the basis of GED scores are not required to submit SAT or ACT scores, but scores may be considered if available.

**Petition for Admission Consideration**
Students not approved for admission may appeal via the extended admission process. Eligible students will be provided with information about the petition procedure. Deadlines are in effect each term for appeals. For additional information, please refer to the OSU Admissions website: http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/admission-appeals-aka-extended-admissions.

**Advanced Placement (AP) Credit**
Oregon State University awards ungraded credit for achievement on certain College Board Advanced Placement (AP) examinations. Information pertaining to specific AP credit policies is available in high school counseling centers or may be obtained from the OSU Office of Admissions website (http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/?q=credit-opportunities). OSU’s college code is 4586 for those wishing to have their scores sent.

**International Baccalaureate Credit**
Oregon State recognizes IB achievement by awarding credit to students who score 5 or above on standard and higher level IB exams. OSU also
grants additional benefits for students who complete the full IB diploma with a score of 30 or higher, as follows:

**Sophomore Standing** and **IB Scholarships** are available. Students with a total score on IB exams of 30 or higher may choose to accept the annual, renewable scholarship award of at least $3,000 OR may compete for more substantial awards.

Students must send their official test scores to OSU. The official International Baccalaureate Certificate is required in order to award credit.

Contact your IB coordinator or IB North America to request score reports.

IBO North America
212-696-4464
http://www.ibo.org/

**Transfer Admission**

**When to Apply**

Apply online at http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/apply-choose-application. Applicants are required to use a valid Visa, MasterCard, or Discover credit card to pay the $65 nonrefundable application fee. **Official** transcripts must be sent to OSU from each college or university attended.

Please refer to http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/undergraduate-admission-deadlines for application deadlines.

**Minimum Requirements for Admission Consideration**

**U.S. Citizens and Permanent Residents:**

1. Successful completion of no less than 24 quarter (16 semester) graded, transferable credits from (a) regionally accredited U.S. institution(s). Students with fewer than 24 graded transferable quarter hours will be considered on the basis of their high school records and test scores, and must have a 2.25 GPA on all collegiate work attempted.

2. Only college-level, transferable credits are counted in those accepted in the GPA computation (professional-technical course grades are not included).

3. Grade of C– or better earned in the following courses:
   - College-level writing equivalent to WR 121 *ENGLISH COMPOSITION or equivalent.
   - Mathematics equivalent to MTH 111 *COLLEGE ALGEBRA – OR – MTH 105 *INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPORARY MATHEMATICS
   - Two terms of the same foreign language in college will be required of those high school graduates of the class of 1997 and beyond who did not successfully complete two units (years) of foreign language while in high school. For additional information on how to meet foreign language deficiencies, see http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/sites/admissions.oregonstate.edu/files/dfl-ways_to_meet.pdf.

4. Students with 24 quarter (16 semester) graded, transferable credits from (a) regionally accredited U.S. institution(s) and a transfer GPA of 2.50 or above will be considered for admission if they have earned a C– or better in the following courses:
   - College-level writing equivalent to WR 121 *ENGLISH COMPOSITION or equivalent.
   - Two terms of the same foreign language in college will be required of those high school graduates of the class of 1997 and beyond who did not successfully complete two units (years) of foreign language while in high school. For additional information on how to meet foreign language deficiencies, see http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/sites/admissions.oregonstate.edu/files/dfl-ways_to_meet.pdf.

5. Applicants who are ineligible to re-enroll at any college or university that they attended within the last seven years for student conduct reasons will be automatically declined admission at OSU. Applicants who disclose that the reason for their ineligibility is for academic reasons may be admitted - if they meet OSU's minimum academic requirements.

6. Applicants who are denied admission are eligible to appeal that decision, and appeals will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Consult with the Office of Admissions for more information on the appeal process.

Please note that meeting the minimum admissions requirements and/or an individual's academic performance does not guarantee them admission to the university. Applicants’ experiences, actions, and non-cognitive skills are assessed by way of the Insight Résumé. Furthermore, the university may evaluate a person’s behavior and background to determine their ability to maintain the standards of academic and professional conduct expected at OSU.

Consideration will be given to applicants with a 2.00 GPA and an Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer (AAOT) degree from an Oregon community college, but admission is not guaranteed.

**Evaluation and Transferability of Credit**

Only **official** records are used to evaluate eligibility for admission and transferability of credit.

Official transcripts of all college work attempted must be submitted directly from the Registrar's Office of each institution.

OSU considers transfer college-level courses successfully completed at colleges or universities regionally accredited by an appropriate accreditation agency. An advanced standing report acknowledging the courses accepted by the university will be sent via email by the Office of Admissions after the advance standing is performed.

Persons transferring to OSU from a community college or two-year institution may have up to 124 quarter credits (83 semester units) accepted toward their bachelor's degree. One semester credit equals 1.5 quarter credits at OSU.

**CLEP**

Applicants who want credit for College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) tests should have official test scores sent to Admissions using college code 4586. Additional details are available in the OSU Credit Opportunities brochure and on the OSU Admissions website.

For information on OSU's acceptance of professional-technical courses, please see Academic Regulation 2 below.

**Acceptance of Credit from a Two-Year Institution**

(OSU Academic Regulation 2) (http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/regulations):
Credit From A Two-Year Institution (Undergraduate Students)

a. **College Transfer Credits:** Oregon State University accepts for credit toward a baccalaureate degree all college transfer work completed at an Oregon or other accredited community college up to 124 lower-division quarter credits. For Institutional Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees, see AR 25. Students are encouraged to work with the relevant academic unit to ensure that transfer credits meet department and college requirements for the degree. It would be unlikely for an individual student to be able to use all 124 credits toward an OSU baccalaureate degree. Transfer credits and grades are not used in calculating the OSU cumulative GPA. Students who hold OSU-approved direct transfer degrees from Oregon or other accredited community colleges (e.g., the Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer) or who have 90 or more credits accepted in transfer will be granted junior standing. Students who hold OSU-approved direct transfer degrees will be considered to have met the Perspectives and Skills (except WIC) areas of the Baccalaureate Core. In addition, they must complete the upper-division Synthesis areas of the core. Students transferring from Oregon or other accredited community colleges who do not hold approved direct transfer degrees ordinarily will be given baccalaureate core credit in the Perspectives and Skills area on a course-by-course basis for work that is judged to be equivalent in content.

b. **Transfer of Professional-Technical Credits:** a maximum of 12 quarter credits (8 semester credits) of professional-technical course work applicable in an associate's degree or certificate program at an accredited institution can be accepted upon admission to OSU as general elective credit (graded as Pass) and as part of the 124-quarter credit total that can be applied toward a baccalaureate degree.

c. **Transfer of Professional-Technical Course Credits through Articulation Agreements:** Lower-division OSU credit may be awarded for specific professional-technical community college courses when those courses are validated by articulation agreement with the appropriate OSU department. This may be above the 12 quarter credits of general electives (graded as Pass) allowed when a student is admitted to OSU. Credit will be awarded only upon the recommendation of the appropriate department and college, and approval by the Curriculum Council. Community college professional-technical course work is not equated to upper-division OSU course work. These course credits will count as part of the 124 quarter credits defined in paragraph 2a above. OSU departments who have articulation agreements with community colleges regarding community college professional-technical courses shall review the agreements annually and forward a dated list of the articulated community college courses to the Curriculum Council.

1 Junior standing does not necessarily imply that OSU institutional, college, division, and/or departmental requirements, which are normally satisfied by OSU students prior to their junior year, have been satisfied.

Nondegree Status

Nondegree enrollment status is designed for students who want to take courses but do not want to pursue a degree. In some instances, nondegree students may not meet regular admission requirements. Nondegree students are part-time students who are expected to enroll in no more than 8 credits a term. Students who want to enroll for more than 8 credits a term must apply for regular admission.

Nondegree enrollment status requires no formal admission process and has no requirements for entrance. Nondegree applications should be submitted electronically. Approval is granted for a specific term. Students who are unable to attend the specific term and want to enroll later should contact the Office of Admissions (undergraduate nondegree) or the Graduate School (graduate nondegree).

Nondegree students are given grades and academic records, and are reviewed according to university standards of good academic progress.

Nondegree students who wish to seek full admission and pursue a degree must do so by submitting an undergraduate, postbaccalaureate or graduate application for admission. In all cases, an admission application fee is required. Successful enrollment as a nondegree student does not guarantee regular admission. Credits earned while enrolled under nondegree undergraduate status will be applied to a student's record.

Nondegree graduate students who decide to seek admission to a specific degree program during the course of their studies should note that any credits taken as a nondegree student may or may not be applicable for that degree, depending upon a variety of factors, their chosen program, and the policies of the Graduate School. Graduate students are further advised that academic residency must be completed after full admission as a degree-seeking graduate student, regardless of the number of credits previously earned while in nondegree status. Please refer to “Reclassification of Postbaccalaureate Students, Nondegree-Seeking Students, and Graduate Certificate Students (http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/college-departments/graduate-school).”

Nondegree students follow the registration procedures and policies as outlined in the Registration Information Handbook. The Schedule of Classes is available through the Web at https://catalog.oregonstate.edu/course-search/. Registering students are expected to obtain a student identification card through the ID Center in the Kerr Administration Building.

Tuition and fees for nondegree students enrolled in fewer than 9 credits are assessed at resident rates based on undergraduate- or graduate-course level. Payment of the health service fee is optional. Enrollment in excess of 8 credits requires that tuition and fees be assessed at the same rates as regular students and requires full admission as a regular student.

*Registration holds in place prior to applying for nondegree status must be satisfied before registration as nondegree student will be allowed.*

**Academic Regulation 1. Admission for Nondegree Students**

1. Nondegree enrollment status for undergraduate students is designed for students who wish to take 8 or fewer credits per term, but do not wish to pursue a degree or a specific postbaccalaureate credential.
2. Nondegree enrollment status for graduate students is designed for students who wish to take graduate courses, but do not wish to pursue an advanced degree. Nondegree graduate students are not limited as to the number of courses (credits) per term.
3. Credits earned as a nondegree undergraduate student may be used to satisfy degree requirements upon admission as a degree-seeking student.
4. Credits earned while enrolled as a nondegree graduate student will not necessarily apply to a graduate program upon admission to degree-seeking status. Communication with the Graduate School and specific academic programs is advised.
5. Nondegree students seeking admission to a degree program must do so by submitting an undergraduate, postbaccalaureate, or graduate application for admission.

Select a Major
Undergraduates and postbaccalaureate applicants are asked to select a college and a major within that college. The University Exploratory Studies Program is a choice available to undergraduates who are undecided about a major. Students may change their major in consultation with an academic advisor.

Admission of Postbaccalaureate Students
Admission for postbaccalaureate applicants is determined by the department, not by the Office of Admissions.

If you are interested in pursuing postbaccalaureate course work, please consult the major department before applying for admission.

Degree Seeking Postbaccalaureate
Students who would like to earn a subsequent undergraduate degree from OSU or complete prerequisites for a graduate program at OSU may apply for degree seeking postbaccalaureate admission through the Office of Admissions. Applicants for consideration must submit an admission application along with official transcripts of all college work by the application deadline. Generally, applicants must meet the following admission requirements:

- Have a bachelor's degree or equivalent from a regionally accredited institution
- 2.25 accumulated GPA requirements. The GPA is computed on the first baccalaureate degree plus any subsequent credit earned.
- Complete College Algebra and English Composition with a C– or better
- Submit Statement of Objectives of 150 to 200 words with their application
- Academic departments may impose additional requirements
- Nonrefundable $65 application fee

Please note that academic performance is not the sole criterion for admission to the university. The university may evaluate a person's behavior and background to determine their ability to maintain the standards of academic and professional conduct expected at the university.

You cannot earn a postbaccalaureate degree in the same field in which you earned your original degree.

Credential Classifications
- Minor Credential: Additional minor earned after undergraduate work is completed. Baccalaureate work can be completed at OSU or another institution. Students that previously completed a baccalaureate degree from Oregon State or another college cannot enter the same degree program as the degree program they graduated as an undergraduate.
- Major Credential: Additional major earned after undergraduate work is completed at OSU. Major credential must be completed within the same degree program.
- Option Credential: Additional option earned after undergraduate work is completed at OSU. Option credential must be completed within the same degree and major program.
- Certificate: A structured progression of courses that constitute a coherent body of study with a defined focus within a single discipline or a logical combination of disciplines. Undergraduate certificates can be earned by students without any prior degree (professionals in a field), or as a credential seeking, graduate student or as an undergraduate student in conjunction with an undergraduate degree. The certificate requirements and pre-requisites are defined at the college level.

Additional Credentials
Students who want to earn a subsequent minor, credential or certificate from OSU or another institution. Students that previously completed a baccalaureate degree at OSU or another institution. Students that previously completed a baccalaureate degree at OSU or another institution. Students that previously completed a baccalaureate degree at OSU or another institution.

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You cannot earn a postbaccalaureate degree in the same field in which you earned your original degree.

Applicants wishing to be considered for admission to multiple programs must submit a new application and fee for each program.

Recommended GPA for admission:
- 2.00 for a minor
- 2.50 for an option
- 3.00 for a certificate

Additional requirements for admission:
- Submit official transcripts of all college work
- Complete a minimum of 15 credits in residence

Applications for admission to OSU are accepted electronically through the University's WebAdmissions application system. You can access the application online at the following link: [admission.oregonstate.edu](http://admission.oregonstate.edu).

International Applicants
International applicants should also refer to the admissions procedures for undergraduate/graduate international students ([http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/international](http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/international)) for deadlines, test score requirements, and additional information.

Admission of Subsequent Minor, Credential or Certificate
Students who want to earn a subsequent minor, credential or certificate from OSU may apply for nondegree credential enrollment status. Students must complete the current requirements for a minor, credential or certificate and receive the dean’s approval. Students must also achieve a minimum GPA of 2.0 and complete a minimum of 15 credits in residence. A nonrefundable $65 admission application fee is charged.

Admission with Graduate Standing
To be considered for admission to the Graduate School, an applicant must have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university, as well as a scholastic record, background, or other evidence that indicates the ability to do satisfactory graduate work. See Graduate Admission Procedures ([http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/collegedepartments/graduate-school](http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/collegedepartments/graduate-school)) in this catalog.

Admission of International Students ([http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/admission/international-admissions](http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/admission/international-admissions))

Admission to Summer Session
Students who wish to begin work on a degree during summer session at OSU must satisfy regular admission requirements and apply by the specified deadlines.

Admission to Professional Programs
Professional programs are accredited according to requirements set by professional societies. These programs often have more rigorous requirements for admission, continuation in the program, and acceptance of transfer credit. Therefore, admission to OSU is separate from
admission to a professional program and does not guarantee such admission.

**OSU-Cascades Campus**

OSU-Cascades provides students personalized instruction and OSU’s excellence in both academics and innovative research, as well as the lifelong advantages of a premier research university. OSU-Cascades is the only baccalaureate and graduate degree-granting institution based in Central Oregon. OSU-Cascades expanded to a four-year university when it welcomed its first freshman class in fall 2015.

Born out of a 30-year grassroots effort put forth by Central Oregonians to bring a university to the region the university opened its doors in September 2001 on the COCC campus, offering upper-division and graduate coursework toward bachelor’s and master’s degrees.

After record enrollment growth and demonstrated financial support from the surrounding community, in August 2012 the Oregon University System endorsed OSU-Cascades’ expansion to a four-year university. In July 2013, the Oregon State Legislature approved capital funding that enabled the branch campus to establish its own campus. The branch campus completed the first phase of campus development in 2016.

OSU-Cascades features outstanding faculty in degree programs that reflect Central Oregon’s vibrant economy, abundant natural resources and commitment to sustainability. Sixteen undergraduate majors, 30 minors and options, and three graduate programs include fields such as computer science, energy systems engineering, kinesiology, hospitality management, and tourism and outdoor leadership. Experiential learning options include faculty research, internships and study abroad programs in 80 countries.

OSU-Cascades provides students excellence in academics, practical and experiential learning opportunities, and the lifelong advantages of a premier research university—all on a growing campus community of 1,300 students and faculty.

**Degree Partnership Programs – Dual Admission and Enrollment at Designated Community Colleges** (http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/admission/dpp)

**Credit for Military Experience**

Students are recommended to seek advice from their Academic Advisor prior to transferring in their Military Credits. Oregon State University grants up to 45 credits for military education as recommended by the American Council on Education’s (ACE) Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services (http://www2.acenet.edu/militaryguide/CourseSearch.cfm). This is in accordance with transfer credit policies at Oregon State University. Students may request evaluation of military credit by furnishing the Office of Admissions with a Joint Services Transcript, Navy SMART transcript, or U.S. Coast Guard transcript. Transcripts may be obtained through these homepages:

- JST (https://jst.doded.mil/official.html) **Note:** Some browser security settings may raise a caution message before entering these Department of Defense websites.
- Additional informational links to other service pages can be found on the ACE website (http://www.acenet.edu/higher-education/topics/Pages/College-Credit-for-Military-Service.aspx).

Oregon State University will grant 1.00 quarter credit for the course HHS 241 Lifetime Fitness Lab. For HHS 241 credit to be granted, please submit either the DD214 or an official ACE transcript. Credit will also be granted if one of the following military science courses has been completed successfully: Physical Fitness, Physical Education, or Physical Conditioning. To receive credit, please submit an official transcript from the institution.

Oregon State University will assess and award block transfer credit upon review of your military record. An evaluation report showing block transfer credits will be sent to you. Your major college will receive a copy of your evaluation report and the ACE recommendation guideline. For a better understanding of how each college uses the 45-credit block of general elective credits there is a web page on the OSU Veterans website (go to http://studentlife.oregonstate.edu/veterans, click on Current Students on the right side, then click on Military Credit) outlining this information. In addition, if you believe a specific military course, training, experience, etc. directly relates to a university course, you can complete a form to petition for Military Credit Course Substitution (http://studentlife.oregonstate.edu/files/petition_for_military_credit_course_substitution.pdf) (go to http:// studentlife.oregonstate.edu/veterans, click on Current Students on the right side, then click on Military Credit on the right side of the page).

Any student receiving GI Bill® education benefits while attending Oregon State University is required to obtain transcripts from all previously attended schools and submit them to the school for review of prior credit.

**Footnote:** GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.

**Placement Examinations**

High school seniors planning to enter OSU must take the SAT or the ACT. These tests provide academic advisors with valuable information about a student’s educational development, abilities, and aptitudes.

New students are required to take an online Math Placement Test (see http://www.math.oregonstate.edu/mlc-placement-home). Students who enter the university with previous language training from another institution and who wish to continue their study of the language are required to take a language proficiency examination to determine placement level. Please call the OSU School of Language, Culture, and Society at 541-737-4603. Other placement examinations may be required in certain majors.

**Registration Procedures**

Once admitted to Oregon State University, students are eligible for course registration. Complete registration instructions, procedures, schedules and deadlines are detailed in the Schedule of Classes (https://catalog.oregonstate.edu/course-search) on the Web. A student is officially registered and eligible to attend classes only when all procedures have been completed. Students who make arrangements to pay outstanding university debts and who do not adhere to the agreed upon plan may be dis-enrolled.
In addition to the basic information regarding registration, the Registration Information Handbook is an essential resource to the student for the academic calendar, fee schedule, academic and other student regulations and procedures, final examination schedule, and listing of baccalaureate core courses.

Re-Enrollment

Undergraduate students who wish to re-enroll in the university after an absence may do so providing they were eligible to re-enroll their last term of attendance. Students who have been absent four or more terms, not including summer terms, should contact the Office of the Registrar to reactivate their records, at which time the current catalog becomes their catalog of record for graduation requirements. The university reserves the right to consider a student’s status with respect to voluntary or involuntary leave, as well as any existing student conduct issues when requesting to re-enroll. Students who have been absent less than four terms are still considered active and register following the registration instructions in the current Registration Information Handbook in PDF format in the online catalog at https://catalog.oregonstate.edu/reading-soc/#text. International students who wish to re-enroll after an absence should check in with the Office of International Services (http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/college-departments/international-programs) (OIS) to make sure they have the required documents to return.

Re-enrolling students who have attended another college or university since their last term at OSU are required to report that enrollment at the time of re-entry. Official transcripts must be forwarded to the Office of Admissions. Returning students with an OSU cumulative GPA below or very near 2.00 are reminded of the OSU graduation requirement (Academic Regulation 25e (http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/ regulations)), which stipulates 2.00 as the minimum OSU cumulative grade-point average required to earn a baccalaureate degree from OSU.

All re-enrolling students are reminded of their responsibility to update any outdated information, such as address, in their OSU records. Contact the Office of the Registrar to make changes.