

OREGON STATE ECAMPUS

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ECAMPUS – Top-ranked degrees online

As a leader in online education, Oregon State University Ecampus works with OSU faculty to provide access to exceptional learning experiences that transform the lives of students in Oregon and around the world. Thousands of online and distance students enroll in Ecampus' nationally ranked degree programs and courses each year, all of which are developed by Oregon State University faculty. In the 2017-18 academic year, a total of 23,362 OSU students took at least one Ecampus class online.

OSU Ecampus is widely regarded as one of America's best providers of online education and has been ranked nationally by numerous publications (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/online-degrees/promotion/top-ranked.htm>) in each of the last eight years. In January 2018, Oregon State's online bachelor's programs were ranked in the top 10 in the nation (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/in-the-news/release/us-news-top-10-2016.htm>) for the fourth consecutive year by U.S. News & World Report. The recognition was based on student engagement; faculty credentials and training; student services and technology; and peer reputation.

Students interested in pursuing an Oregon State degree online can choose from more than 50 programs, including bachelor's degrees in business administration; fisheries and wildlife sciences; Spanish; computer science (post-baccalaureate); agricultural sciences; and various liberal arts disciplines. Oregon State's online and hybrid graduate-level offerings feature four MBA tracks that include organizational leadership and innovation management; master's programs in industrial engineering and data analytics; a Master of Natural Resources; and a variety of education programs. Find a complete list of degree and certificate programs here (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu>). Ecampus delivers more than 1,200 courses online throughout the year. A complete list of classes is available online (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/soc>).

Ecampus is also helping expand Oregon State's presence in the Portland region. Not only do students have access to OSU-signature programs and courses online through Ecampus, but now they can also study in a dynamic, hybrid learning environment that includes face-to-face interaction with OSU faculty and students as well as on-site support services at the OSU Portland Center (<https://portland.oregonstate.edu>) near Pioneer Square.

Oregon State's distance learners include full- and part-time students, working and retired professionals, community college students, active-duty and retired military, high school students and individuals who want to further their education with a single college course. Ecampus students and graduates hail from all 50 states and more than 50 countries worldwide.

All curricula for Ecampus courses and degree programs are designed by Oregon State faculty and are held to the same rigorous academic standards as the university's on-campus classes. OSU is accredited by

the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, and all Ecampus students who complete degree requirements receive the same diploma and transcript as campus-based students.

Ecampus works closely with more than 800 OSU faculty members and department heads in order to provide students with enriching educational opportunities. Our current online offerings include courses in more than 100 subjects, from anthropology and chemistry to economics and public health. Oregon State partners with 20 community colleges throughout the state and in Hawaii as a way to help students progress toward a four-year degree. The Degree Partnership Program allows students to take community college and OSU classes concurrently in order to meet the course-load requirement for financial aid and to access other OSU services, including advising. Learn more about taking Ecampus online classes with the Degree Partnership Program (<http://partnerships.oregonstate.edu>).

Services for Students

Oregon State Ecampus offers a variety of support services that meet students' needs and helps them along the path to graduation. Once enrolled online, Ecampus students have access to student services specialists; a team of student success counselors, who work with learners to identify strategies to support them in achieving their goals; a dedicated Ecampus librarian and 24/7 library support; free online tutoring and remote test proctoring; OSU's Disability Access Services; career counseling; and live, around-the-clock technical support on OSU's learning management system, Canvas.

Ecampus works to create a sense of community for its students by sharing news about OSU faculty and students online (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/news>) and in a quarterly newsletter. Ecampus also has a strong following on Facebook (<http://facebook.com/osuecampus>), Twitter (<http://twitter.com/osuecampus>), Instagram (<http://instagram.com/osuecampus>), and LinkedIn (<http://linkedin.com/company/oregon-state-ecampus>) where students can engage with fellow students, Beavers fans and ask questions of the Ecampus staff.

Ecampus also provides assistance by email, phone or in person to prospective and current students who are interested in taking Oregon State courses online and at a distance.

Services for Faculty

The Ecampus staff provides an array of services for faculty, including course development training workshops, faculty coordination and liaison activities with partnering community colleges and universities. Find a complete list of training sessions and workshops online (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/faculty/training>).

The Ecampus Faculty Forum is an annual showcase of excellence in online teaching that features interactive, wide-ranging discussions on how Oregon State applies its academic prestige to online education. Held each spring on campus, the event gives faculty the opportunity to hear colleagues discuss innovative teaching methods, best practices and relate their experiences in online course development. More than 200 OSU faculty, administrators and staff attend the event annually.

Ecampus operates a program called QM Online Course Design, which seeks to improve student success in online courses by focusing on continuously improving course design. Using the independent and research-based Quality Matters (QM) peer review process, the faculty-driven QM program examines course design, not the content itself or the teaching.

Having an online course peer reviewed is an ideal way for OSU faculty to receive fresh ideas from colleagues who can offer positive feedback to create more active learning. The Ecampus Course Development and Training team conducts training sessions (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/faculty/qm>) year-round, and stipends are awarded when one reviews a peer's course.