

President's Report

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Oregon Tech Board of Trustees

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Winter 2025 Enrollment (as of Jan 10, 2025)

Headcount (Based on Primary Campus)

Same Week Comparison

	Winter 2023	Winter 2024	Winter 2025
On Campus (Klamath Falls)	1,873	1,857	1,892
Online	501	456	500
Onsite Total	706	655	625
* Portland Metro	548	507	493
* Seattle	54	44	39
* Chemeketa	60	59	58
* HST at OIT	44	45	35
Sub-Total	3,080	2,968	3,017
High School (ACP)	1,396	2,098	2,466
Grand Total	4,476	5,066	5,483

Winter 2024 vs. Winter 2025

Difference	% Change
35	1.9%
44	9.6%
-30	-4.6%
-14	-2.8%
-5	-11.4%
-1	-1.7%
-10	-22.2%
49	1.7%
368	17.5%
417	8.2%

Credit Hours (Based on Course Campus)

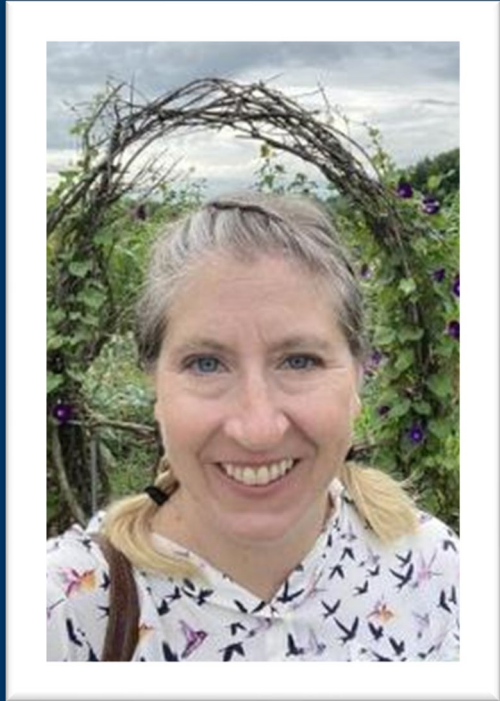
Same Week Comparison

	Winter 2023	Winter 2024	Winter 2025
On Campus (Klamath Falls)	20,908	20,486	21,021
Online	9,086	8,912	9,589
Onsite Total	5,056	4,843	4,630
* Portland Metro	4,191	4,065	3,933
* Seattle	325	279	217
* Chemeketa	540	499	480
Sub-Total	35,050	34,241	35,240
High School (ACP)	6,011	9,272	10,486
Grand Total	41,061	43,513	45,726

Winter 2024 vs. Winter 2025

Difference	% Change
535	2.6%
677	7.6%
-213	-4.4%
-132	-3.2%
-62	-22.2%
-19	-3.8%
999	2.9%
1,214	13.1%
2,213	5.1%

Faculty Research Grants



Christy VanRooyen

Associate Professor
Environmental Sciences

**\$833,326 – Air Quality
Assessment in Chiloquin
Environmental Protection Agency
through the City of Chiloquin**

December 2024



Dr. Kyle Chapman

(Associate Professor and
Department Chair,
Humanities & Social Sciences)

Faculty Research Grants

Funding Source Type	FY2024		FY2025 (thru 1/6/25)	
	Awarded \$	# of Awards	Awarded \$	# of Awards
Federal	3.93 M\$	13	\$4.17	7
State	9.77 M\$	15	\$7.42	9
City/County	0.24 M\$	2	\$0.00	
Industry	0.98 M\$	23	\$0.13	5
Foundation	0.21 M\$	7	\$0.06	2
Institution of Higher Education	0.05 M\$	1	\$0.11	3
Total	15.17 M\$	61	11.9 M\$	26

Residence Hall

- **Construction well under way**
 - **Completion goal December 2025**
 - **Occupancy goal January 2026**
 - **Will be home for 500+ students**



Rendering of exterior facing the College Union and lake

- **Will be home to 500+ students**
 - **Mostly double occupancy rooms**
 - **Some rooms designed as triples**
 - **Lobbies/lounge space on each floor**
 - **Main floor will have a larger kitchen and meeting area as well as the Housing Office**

2024-25 Institutional Goals

Goal 1. Achieve new freshman growth in Fall 2025 at a rate at or above the most recent three-year averages (currently at ~5%).

Current Trends

2024 vs. 2025 (Year over Year)

- Completed Apps
 - 2024: 4,184
 - 2025: 4,733
- Admits
 - 2024: 3,907
 - 2025: 4,501
- Deposits
 - 2024: 203
 - 2025: 198



Goal 2. Achieve a 1% increase in retention of new undergraduate students, from the current level of 70% to 71%.

- Increased engagement of Advising and Retention Staff.
- Increased utilization of academic early warning system.
- Use of *Inside Track* coaching for 300 at risk 2024-25 Freshman Cohort.
- Expanded peer tutoring engagement, up 8% year over year.
- Enhanced collaboration between Academic Affairs and Student Affairs to promote student engagement and intervention.
- Degree and Pathway Counseling through Advising and Retention to reduce stop out and retain students in appropriate programs.

Goal 3: Raise \$5 Million in Annual and Capital Campaign funds

Thomet Fieldhouse

Projected Cost & Dimensions

- Valued at about \$3.7M
- Footprint: ~9,300 sq ft

Fundraising: Nearly \$3.4 million has been generously committed to support this project.



Goal 4. Conduct a space utilization plan

Space utilization workgroup was formed and has convened to develop project framework and objectives including:

- Conduct a comprehensive inventory of building space and current assignments.
- Account for vacant and filled faculty/staff offices.
- Update computer assisted design (CAD) for each building and floor.
- Label and color code current space assigned to colleges and departments.
- Assess auditorium, classroom, laboratory, conference and breakout room utilization rates.
- Develop recommendations for prioritizing future use or repurposing of space to improve functionality and department synergies



Goal 5. Develop and launch a Health & Wellness Initiative



Exploring Feasibility – School of Medicine

Progress to Date

- **Launched Feasibility Exploration Group with SkyLakes**
- **Conducting Extensive Research**
 - Rural Healthcare Trends (local, regional, statewide, national)
 - Comparing benefits and obstacles to both Osteopathic and Allopathic pathways
 - Looming (& existing) medical provider shortages
 - National legislation addressing Graduate Medical Education (GME) residency sites
 - Potential recruitment pipelines
 - Accreditation process
 - Existing Osteopathic schools
- **Fostering widespread buy-in to develop a coalition of support**
 - Exploring the possibility of collaborating with the city of Medford, Asante, & Southern Oregon University
 - On-going discussions with Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) leadership
 - Connecting with Oregon Public Health Departments
 - Legislative advocacy possibly both at state and federal levels
 - Initial conversations with the HECC and the Governor’s staff

Exploring Feasibility – School of Medicine

Moving Forward

- **Engaging local and regional stakeholders**
 - Klamath Falls City Council & Commissioners
 - Participation in Tripp Umbach Medford Feasibility Study interviews
- **Site Visits**
 - Having identified several schools of Osteopathic Medicine in comparable regions, the Task Force will engage in site visits to gain insight into their processes and “lessons learned”
- **Legislative Engagement**

Intentionality of Vision and Action



Must be always in the context of our strategic plan.

Reputation – Resource - Relevance



PILLAR I:

Commitment to Student Success



PILLAR II:

Commitment to Innovation



PILLAR III:

Commitment to Community



PILLAR IV:

Commitment to Institutional Excellence

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THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

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