



## Degree Partnership Programs between Colleges and Universities (Dual Enrollment)

### Community College and University Partnerships

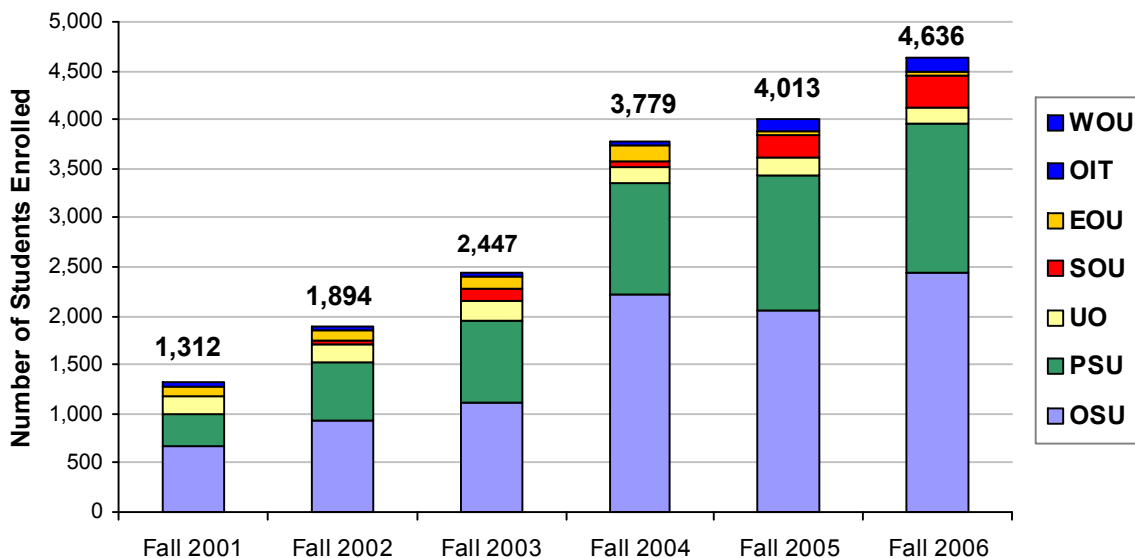
Oregon University System (OUS) and Oregon’s community colleges frequently partner to enable students to be formally enrolled in both institutions at the same time as a way to facilitate their educational goals. These agreements are commonly referred to as “degree partnership,” “dual enrollment” or “co-admission” programs. Enrolling in one of these programs enables a student to take courses at both an OUS campus and a community college during the same term, giving students additional options and opportunities to align their academic work with their family, job and other responsibilities.

#### Benefits of degree partnership programs for students typically include:

1. One application process for the student that includes admission to both institutions;
2. Student advising, available on both campuses, that takes into account the courses being offered by one another;
3. Access to library and computer lab resources at both the college and university;
4. Increased flexibility in scheduling for students, with access to more classes;
5. Lower tuition costs for undergraduate coursework;
6. Opportunity for students to access services and participate in college life on both campuses;
7. An integrated system of financial aid administration to simplify the process for students;
8. Easier transition for students from community college to a 4-year university; and
9. Potential to shorten the time for a student to attain a degree.

OUS institutions and Oregon community colleges have partnered since the 1990s to help students meet their education goals. Since that time 51 agreements have been established between all 7 OUS institutions and 17 community colleges, serving over 4,600 students across the state in fall term 2006.

### OUS/Community College Degree Partnership Program Participation



Source: OUS Admission Offices

## Need for Partnerships

Partnerships between community colleges and the OUS strive to give students broad and seamless transfer and co-enrollment options that fit their academic needs. An OUS report<sup>1</sup> released in early 2007 showed that 44% of our 2005 bachelor's degree graduates entered OUS as transfer students, the majority of those from an Oregon community college. Another report<sup>2</sup> shows that 30% of Oregon's high school graduating class of 2005 entered directly into an Oregon community college by the winter after graduation, and three-quarters of these students noted they had definite or probable plans to later transfer to an OUS institution.

Thus, the options of degree partnership programs – as well as other processes and systems that make student transitions easier – will help to increase the degree attainment rates in Oregon, helping provide the state with diverse, highly trained contributors to our workforce.

## Oregon University Institutions have Degree Partnership Programs with the following community colleges:

### Eastern Oregon University

Blue Mountain  
Chemeketa  
Mt. Hood  
Southwestern Oregon  
Treasure Valley

### Oregon Institute of Technology

Columbia Gorge  
Klamath  
Portland  
Rogue  
Tillamook Bay

### Western Oregon University

Chemeketa  
Clatsop

### University of Oregon

Lane  
Southwestern Oregon

### Oregon State University

Blue Mountain  
Central Oregon  
Chemeketa  
Clatsop  
Columbia Gorge  
Hawaii (*out of state*)  
Klamath  
Lane  
Leeward (*out of state, Hawaii*)  
Linn-Benton  
Mt Hood  
Oregon Coast  
Portland  
Rogue  
Southwestern Oregon  
Tillamook Bay  
Treasure Valley  
Umpqua

### Portland State University

Blue Mountain  
Chemeketa  
Clackamas  
Clark College (*out of state, Washington*)  
Clatsop  
Columbia Gorge  
Mt Hood  
Oregon Coast  
Portland  
Tillamook Bay

### Southern Oregon University

Blue Mountain  
Central Oregon  
Chemeketa  
Klamath  
Linn-Benton  
Rogue  
Southwestern Oregon  
Umpqua

<sup>1</sup> *One Year Later: The Status of the Class of 2005*; OUS, January 2007

<sup>2</sup> *Where Have Oregon's Graduates Gone*; OUS, September 2006

