EOU Mission

EOU guides student inquiry through integrated, high-quality liberal arts and professional programs that lead to responsible and reflective action in a diverse and interconnected world.

As an educational, cultural and scholarly center, EOU connects the rural regions of Oregon to a wider world. Our beautiful setting and small size enhance the personal attention our students receive, while partnerships with colleges, universities, agencies and communities add to the educational possibilities of our region and state.
EOU Core Themes

Theme 1: EOU has high quality liberal arts and professional programs that prepare students for the world beyond college.

Theme 2: EOU is a regional University with a deep sense of commitment to students where they are.

Theme 3: EOU is the educational, cultural and economic engine of eastern Oregon.

Theme 4: EOU provides personal, student-centered experience in both the curricular and cocurricular programs.
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Goal 3: Serve students where they are.

Goal 4: Make excellence inclusive.

Goal 5: Adopt and enhance appropriate educational technologies.
EOU’s at-a-distance courses and degree programs focus on high quality learning experiences and closely mirror our on-campus programming.

As the need to serve our students at a distance has grown, so have EOU’s capabilities . . .

EOU degrees-at-a-distance have increased from 33% of all degrees conferred in 2008 to 42% in 2012, all while overall degrees conferred are also growing.
EOU Majors At-a-Distance

(Half of some two dozen majors offered at EOU are available fully online)

Anthropology
Accounting
Business Administration
English Studies
English-Rhetoric & Culture
Fire Services Administration
History
Liberal Studies
  Dual Minors (22 minors available at a distance)
  Organizational Psychology
  Business/Health Promotion
  Early Childhood Concentration
Philosophy, Political Science, & Economics
Physical Activity & Health Science
Public Administration
Psychology
Values underlying ALL learning at EOU

**Access** — EOU provides students from eastern Oregon and beyond the most felicitous access to a quality education through onsite, online and on campus programs. Our priority is to remove barriers for students who may be place bound, financially restricted, or culturally/socially disadvantaged.

**Affordability** — EOU offers students a quality education at an affordable price. Our priority is to keep the total cost of college favorably competitive with universities in the region and across the State.

**Engagement** — EOU is responsive to the community and region by engaging in partnerships that support student learning and that enhance the economic, cultural and social life of the region.
EOU is uniquely situated to help meet our State’s 40-40-20 goals throughout rural Oregon.

To effectively serve our students where they are, EOU focuses on . . .

. . . a high degree of flexibility in meeting student needs.
. . . keeping students in place and engaged in their communities.
. . . academic integration with EOU’s larger set of programs.
. . . constant contact and support through our 16 Regional Centers.