

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

- The retrofit of Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center (OMIC) main building funded by the EDAGart was completed on time at the end of May. [] The retrofit included constructing a new parking lot with new lighting adding an elevator and a lift chair; emergency exits, and ADA compliant doors; connecting the building to the city water and sewer lines; installing a new air conditioning unit to control the temperature in the high bay area of the building and creating new office spaces for students and visiting researchers. Bids for purchasing research equipment, also funded by the EDAGart, have received and the procurement process is underway. Because of supply chain delays some of the equipment is not expected to arrive until October 2022. The construction of a new Additive Manufacturing Center is underway. This building is scheduled for completion by September.

Academic Excellence (led by AMPAE Battaglia)

Simple Syllabus, an institutional wide syllabus repository integrated within Canvas, has been adopted.

The **NSSE (National Survey of Student Engagement)** and the **FSSE (Faculty Survey of Student Engagement)** have been completed.

Updates from the Colleges

Engineering Technology and Management

Dr. Elias Hussein – 3rd **at** **t**

Professional Surveyors Competition Team- Competing this month at National Competition in Arlington VA

Health, Arts and Sciences

HHS faculty and students in many cases presented at the following conferences since the last board meeting. It has been a very active period as people wrap up the academic year!

- **Central States Communication Association 91st Annual Meeting**
- **Western Regional Hbrns Council Conference 2022**
- **Northwest Communication Association**
- **American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science Region IX Joint Spring Seminar**
- **National Emergency Medical Services Conference "ESOWave 2022"**
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Canvas shells are being made available for summer and fall.

Library

Library OER Grants

The library is awarding 8 open educational resource (OER) grants this year for the creation, adaptation, or adoption of open course materials. Increasing the use of open materials is a key strategy in student success and retention, switching a course from commercial textbooks to OER can decrease withdrawal rates by an average of 29% ([Cinton & Kim, 2019](#)), and has even greater benefits for Pell grant recipients and nonwhite students ([Colvard Watson & Pak, 2019](#)).

The use of open educational resources supports culturally responsive teaching and furthers social justice

conference papers Subjects covered in the database pertain to both the college of EIM and the college of HAS and include

- Aerospace and Defense
 - Biometrics and Biomedical engineering
 - Computer Hardware and Software
 - Cyber Security
 - Data Science
 - Electronics
 - Electrical Engineering
 - Embedded Systems
 - Geomatics
 - Health Informatics
 - Internet of Things (IoT)
 - Medical Devices
 - Nanotechnology
 - Optics
 - Power Engineering
 - Renewable Energy
 - Robotics
 - Semiconductors
 - Smart Grid
 - Telecommunications
 - Wireless Technology
- Many more topics (see the [REExplore Journal list](#) and [conference list](#))

Oregon State Library Collection Enhancement Grant

The library received a grant of \$5,000 to enhance collections targeted for underserved student populations. The grant funds were divided between course textbook reserves and enhancing DEI-focused collections.

The Oregon Tech Library purchased \$4,000 in current textbooks and course materials. This provides low income students course materials on the first day of courses available through the library's reserves system. The library has received current year bookstore data covering course enrollment, required textbooks, and textbook costs. Library staff expanded course reserves by identifying top enrolled courses and highest priced textbooks.

Additionally, the library spent \$1,000 towards addressing issues in diversity, inclusion, and increasing a sense of belonging for OITBPOC students. The library expanded its non-textbook collection to reflect our broadening diverse student population. The library is undertaking rebuilding its collection by valuing a range of coverage in perspectives, authorship, audience, and subject matter. We recognize that the diverse community the library serves needs inclusive collections which are foundational for learning and a basis for the creation of new knowledge.

Registrar's Office

The Registrar's office is focused on comment entry and end of year documentation.

The Registrar and several faculty are involved in the state level initiative multi-year common course number work

In person commencement planning is in progress

- **Kanath Falls HS. June 10th 2pm**
- **Kanath Falls EML June 11th 10am**
- **Portland Metro. June 12th 2pm**
- **Seattle. June 14th 5pm**

STRATEGIC ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT (Admissions, Financial Aid, Advising and Retention, Educational Partnerships and Outreach- EPO)

Staffing

Several positions are at various stages of the search/hire process including two Assistant Director positions. Academic Advising and Retention has recently lost three staff. We are moving as quickly as possible to post and refill.

Financial aid

- **As we close out the 21-22 academic year, we had Federal Workstudy funds remaining. We were able to transfer over \$80,000 to SEOG and award needy Pell eligible students additional grant money.**
- **We disbursed \$3,280,554 in HBBF funds to students in the 21-22 academic year (we have \$3,734,709).**
- **The Financial Aid office still has an open position for an office specialist. We have had one failed search and are on a second.**
- **The Oregon Tech Foundation awarded 180 scholarships worth over \$576,000 for the winter process. We will know the amount of the summer awards by late June.**
- **We just finished our last Owls' Worth financial literacy session of the year. We held 4 each term for a total of 12 sessions. We had 206 students that attended at least one session. We have been focusing on topics that will be useful for students both while in school and after graduation. Some of the sessions were:**

Accepting Job Offers

Building Credit

Understanding Mortgages

Budgeting

Scholarship Night

- **We have continued to work closely with admissions in incentivizing not deposited students for the fall**

Academic Advising and Retention

- **Staffing crisis has hit the advising office 3 staff members are leaving in the month of June (Brandon, Michael and Mira)**
- **This will leave us with one first year advisor and one embedded**
- **Meeting with Wendy and Ashli regarding Civitas support and roll out- this is our first meeting**

diversify where we get our top funnel leads to improve conversion rates. We're in the initial stages of data analysis to compare conversion rates by sources.

Education Partnerships and Outreach (EPO)

- EPO is seeing a steady pattern of enrollment throughout our dual credit program. We enrolled 1,274 students this spring, which is up about 100 students from last spring. As we close out the year, we are surveying faculty and high school teachers regarding their experiences with Oregon Tech's dual credit program. We hope to better understand how we can serve our K12 dual credit teachers and faculty. Summer is a busy time to prep for the academic year, and EPO will be focusing on program improvements throughout the summer for dual credit.

The merger of [Willanette Promise](#) and [NWP Promise is moving forward](#). These two accelerated credit programs are led by metro area Educational Service Districts. Oregon Tech has partnered with each program to offer several dual credit courses. These two programs will merge under Willanette Promise. Oregon Tech will continue to offer the same credit and intends that service levels will stay consistent into the 2022-2023 academic year.

- Mathematics, Engineering Science Achievement (MESA) is a national afterschool program supporting early STEM experiences for middle and high school students. Oregon Tech expanded to Kanath Falls this fall. We recently received \$55,000 from Ford Family Foundation to continue to support this expansion. We are working to identify schools that will participate next year. As noted in our winter update, DEMODay was a big success. Oregon Tech's Marketing Department produced this [video to showcase](#) the event.

Re College Programming- Summer planning is well underway for summer pre-college camps. In Kanath Falls, we will offer two weeks of IRO camps for elementary aged

CARES (Center for Academic Resources and Engagement Services)

- Leadership transition as director resigned and interim director; Dr. Jennifer Jones, named
- ACES

Continue to collaborate with Resident Life to ensure fair and accessible housing for returning and incoming students with qualifying condition(s)

Collaborating with athletics to ensure student athletes with qualifying condition(s) receive a fair and equitable education

Secured ASL interpreting services for Commencement 2022 for Hamath Falls and Portland Metrocampuses

Plan to update ACES policies and procedures for academic year 2022- 2023

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Program Topics

Careers of Learning

Presented by Dr. Dina M. Battaglia

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