University of Oregon in Portland

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The University of Oregon has offered programs in Portland for more than 100 years. Continuing this tradition, the University of Oregon in Portland—based in the historic White Stag Block—offers students and professionals advanced learning opportunities. By working closely with businesses and city leaders, the university provides students with real-world opportunities that are well suited to a large metropolitan area. In addition, the facility serves as a hub of activity, discussion, and debate, with lectures, exhibits, seminars, and other public events.

College of Design

The **College of Design** at the University of Oregon in Portland partners in multiple ways with the city and the metropolitan area through teaching, research, creative work, and service activities. Portland is an extraordinary urban laboratory for the University of Oregon and the school's students and faculty members.

The school offers a master of architecture degree program, an advanced undergraduate bachelor of fine arts (BFA) degree in digital arts, a BFA in product design, and undergraduate bachelor of architecture terminal studio courses at the Portland facilities. Continuing-education workshops, exhibits, screenings, and public lectures round out the offerings available to the public and area professionals.

Department of Architecture

The Department of Architecture at the University of Oregon is internationally recognized for educating architects who understand and practice sustainable design. The Department of Architecture in Portland focuses on the influence of urban design and planning. The program builds on more than 25 years of teaching in Portland, using the city as a living laboratory for urban architecture. The curriculum emphasizes an architectural design process that develops connections to the urban landscape and strengthens relationships among individual buildings, public spaces, and the fabric of urban districts and neighborhoods. Students have close contact with city officials and leaders of Portland's design community in a city internationally recognized for sustainable urban design, public transit, and regional planning. The program offers advanced course work that can be applied toward doctoral, master's, or bachelor's degrees for students who have completed foundation studies. All UO undergraduate and graduate architecture students are eligible to study in Portland. The department offers professional degrees accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB). The department offers postprofessional research degrees for those who have completed a NAAB-accredited degree or international equivalent.

Digital Arts

The Department of Art's Digital Arts Program encourages students to combine new media and visual art theory with strong technical sophistication, a rich sense of visual design, and an ability to articulate artistic research. The program offers a fifth-year BFA degree for students in residence at the University of Oregon in Portland focusing on creative practice, thesis project development, and exhibition installation. The application process is competitive and includes a portfolio review. Current UO students apply to the fifth-year BFA program in their senior year as they are completing requirements for the BA or BS degree. In addition, students who have completed a comparable four-year degree in art at another institution may be admitted to the BFA program. Such candidates must satisfy the university's 45-credit residence requirement.

Product Design

Product designers create the tools, transportation, computers, clothes, sofas, and sports equipment to fit the changing needs of our lives. The Product Design Program provides a thorough grounding in the use, invention, and production of consumer goods. Students with an interest in becoming rigorous, critical, mission-driven designers are ideal candidates for the product design BA and BS programs in Eugene and the fifth-year BFA degree program in Portland.

Energy Studies

The research projects of the **Energy Studies in Buildings Laboratory** are directed at understanding how buildings and related transportation and land-use systems determine energy or resource use. The lab's goals are to develop new materials, components, assemblies, and whole buildings, and to assist designers, builders, developers, and communities in improving building and systems performance. Design tools have been developed by the lab to enable professionals to design more efficient communities and buildings. The staff includes architects, engineers, and computer scientists with experience on a broad range of projects. As a UO research center, the lab also can draw on other university faculty members in architecture, business, economics, landscape architecture, physics, planning, public policy and management, and other research groups as necessary to address the unique requirements of each project. The facilities include a computer simulation laboratory, two artificial skies, a heliodon, and a boundary-layer wind tunnel.

School of Journalism and Communication

The **School of Journalism and Communication**'s **George S. Turnbull Portland Center** provides academic and professional programs in the state's media center. The center offers master's degrees in strategic communication and multimedia journalism as well as professional development workshops.

The Turnbull Center is actively engaged in the Portland community by

- offering Eugene-based University of Oregon students a senior experience that includes internships at Portland businesses and nonprofits combined with late-day classes
- bringing journalists of note to the table for public discussions of the important issues of the day
- hosting academic and civic conferences on enduring and emerging topics of communication
- partnering with community and media groups for public events

School of Law

The **School of Law**, which opened in Portland in 1884, maintains offices in the White Stag Block to facilitate its outreach to the Portland legal and business community. The Wayne Morse Suite serves as a LEED Platinum (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design sustainability rating) educational space and formal presentation forum for visiting lectures. Small selections of courses are offered in the fall and spring semesters and in summer session to complement Portland-area externship offerings. The School of Law hosts Portland-area law conferences and open houses, oversees student externships and job

placements, and features an annual conference focused on the **Green Business Initiative**, one of the first law school programs in the country dedicated to the intersection of law, business, and the environment.

Charles H. Lundquist College of Business

The Oregon Executive Master of Business Administration Program is the Portland hub of the University of Oregon's Lundquist College of Business. In the program, accomplished executives hone their skills and reinvigorate their careers through interaction with peers, faculty members, and the University of Oregon's business network. The curriculum builds on business fundamentals with a focus on global strategy, organizational leadership, innovation, and teamwork. Results are accomplished through critical thinking, tailored course work, intensive instruction, and cohort collaboration—all within a setting designed to emphasize ethics, transparency, and leadership.

Career Services Office

The **Career Services Office** of the Lundquist College of Business has an employer-relations presence in Portland to facilitate communication with and outreach to employers in the Portland area and beyond.

Academic Extension

Academic Extension provides a variety of educational opportunities including academic programs, professional development workshops, lifelong learning activities, and other special programs. Working closely with academic partners from across the UO campus, Academic Extension offers credit and noncredit opportunities to meet the various needs of community members. For more information, see the **Academic Extension** section of this catalog.

Library and Learning Commons

The **Library and Learning Commons** provides learning spaces, professional research and consulting services, and technology access to support the UO's academic, research, and community outreach programs in Portland. The collection includes a growing print book and journal collection as well as rich online collections of articles, data, and other media, with access to the collections of our consortial partner universities and colleges. The Library and Learning Commons also provides powerful hardware and software tools for student learning, as well as instructional technology support for learning spaces throughout the White Stag Block, with special emphasis on audiovisual displays, videoconferencing, and large-format printing and scanning services.

Career Center Portland

Career Center Portland serves UO students and alumni as they initiate job searches, form professional relationships, and prepare themselves for the Portland marketplace. In addition, the center offers opportunities for employed UO alumni and career professionals to provide advice, share their knowledge, and identify employees.

Student Affairs Portland

Student Affairs Portland supports current UO students in Portland and provides referral services to a health and counseling center, assistance in crisis situations, and additional resources to facilitate a positive educational experience.

Labor Education and Research Center

The **Labor Education and Research Center** serves as a link between the labor community and the university's wealth of resources, providing educational programs and research in the field of labor relations. The center's Portland-area activities consist of extension-education courses, conferences, and programs for working people, union staff members, and elected leaders. These events are intended to foster creative and critical thinking and to help participants develop skills and knowledge for labor leadership. In addition, Portland faculty members conduct applied research and provide technical assistance to workers and their organizations.

Child and Family Center

The **Child and Family Center** is an Oregon University System research institute. The Portland office houses research scientists, interventionists, and staff members, as does the center's office in Eugene.

Research Projects

Currently, three active research projects are based in the Portland office. Project Alliance One is a follow-up study of 999 young adults and their families who participated in family-centered services in Portland school district middle schools from 1996 through 2000. It is currently conducting two projects, one which explores genetic predispositions to health behaviors and one that looks at young adult relationships. Project Alliance Two is another follow-up study of 593 young adults and their families who participated in family-centered services in Portland school district middle schools from 2006 through 2010. It was designed to address expectations and concerns regarding the transition from middle school to high school and to make the program more relevant to culturally diverse families. The third research project, Ecological Approach to Family Intervention and Treatment (ECOFIT)—also known as Positive Family Support—is a program that promotes parents' use of positive reinforcement to improve student attendance, behavior, and completion of academic tasks.

Duck Athletic Fund and Oregon Club of Portland

The **Duck Athletic Fund** and **Oregon Club of Portland** both contribute to Portland's University of Oregon spirit. The White Stag Block's athletics office houses Portland's Duck Athletic Fund, Oregon IMG Sports Marketing staff members, and the Oregon Club of Portland. Together, they coordinate fundraising, promotions, sponsorships, and special events in the Portland area dedicated to raising funds to support the UO Department of Intercollegiate Athletics.

The White Box

Part of the UO College of Design, the **White Box** is a 1,500-square-foot visual laboratory that promotes the exploration of contemporary creative works and critical inquiry. This noncommercial exhibition space allows artists and curators, students and faculty, and regional, national, and international communities to research, explore, and present global issues in art, architecture, and design. It is located on the first floor of the White Stag Block and is open Tuesdays through Saturdays during scheduled exhibitions.

The Duck Store

The Duck Store in the White Stag Block carries textbooks, course materials, and architectural and other art and school supplies for Portland-area University of Oregon classes. This location also carries the largest selection of UO Ducks sportswear and gifts in Portland, and serves coffee and other beverages at the coffee bar. Proceeds from the Duck Store help support the University of Oregon.

Oregon Bach Festival

Founded by acclaimed German conductor Helmuth Rilling and continuing under the leadership of Matthew Halls, the **Oregon Bach Festival** is the University of Oregon's Grammy-winning summer music festival, with choral and orchestral masterworks, guest artists, chamber music, education programs, and the Bachfest PDX series in Portland. Based in Eugene, the festival also maintains an office in the White Stag Block.