Oregon Institute of Technology INTRODUCTION

Oregon Institute of Technology is the only public institute of technology in the Pacific Northwest. Founded in 1947, OIT is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges. It offers bachelor's degree programs in the engineering and health technologies, management, and applied sciences. OIT also offers a master of science degree in engineering technology in computer engineering technology. Bachelor's degree completion programs are also offered at two sites in the Portland area and at Fort Lewis and Boeing/Seattle in Washington.

OIT plays a unique role in the Oregon University System. The teaching/learning philosophy is based on an applied approach to technology studies. For most students, more than 40 percent of instructional time is spent in laboratories, clinical studies or externship settings. Every program places the student in a high tech learning environment, beginning with the first academic year.

But work and study are not the only attractions at OIT. An active student government provides the framework for a broad menu of student activities, from a weekly newspaper and an FM radio station to pre-professional clubs. Outdoor activities take advantage of OIT's location in Klamath Falls, where the Cascades meet the high desert. OIT offers a fitness center and a variety of intramural and intercollegiate athletic opportunities.

Upper Klamath Lake and the Cascade Mountains are visible from every campus building and the abundance of windows in each facility allow students and faculty to enjoy the year-round sunshine.

This year's Fact Book includes a few changes that readers may find helpful. All enrollment figures now include both state- and self-support (several tables in previous editions excluded self-support enrollment), Chart 5.3 showing current funds expenditures now excludes transfers to more accurately reflect actual expenditures, and Table 2.2.10 has been revised to display admissions statistics by residency. A new table added to Section 8, OUS Bachelor's Degrees Awarded to First-time Freshmen, shows initial and completing institutions of first-time freshmen.

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