

Oregon Institute of Technology HISTORY AT A GLANCE

- July 14, 1947** - Under the direction of Winston Purvine, the first classes were held in a deactivated World War II Marine Corps hospital three miles northeast of Klamath Falls.
- 1951** - KTEC radio went on the air.
- 1953** - Associate's degree programs in the Surveying and Structural Engineering Technologies first accredited by the Engineers' Council for Professional Development.
- 1956** - KOTI television opened on campus.
- 1957** - The Institute was made a separate division of the State Board of Education and an engineering study was begun to determine whether to repair or rebuild the facilities.
- 1960** - The Institute transferred to the jurisdiction of the State Board of Higher Education.
- 1962** - The Institute accredited by the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools.
- 1964** - The campus moved to newly constructed buildings on a geothermal site overlooking Upper Klamath Lake.
- 1966** - The Institute received authorization to grant bachelor's degrees.
- 1970** - Bachelor's degree programs first accredited by ABET.
- 1975** - Geo-Heat Center established.
- 1976** - Kenneth Light appointed President upon Purvine's retirement.
- 1983** - Larry Blake appointed President and the Metro Center established in Portland.
- 1984** - Small Business Development Center established.
- 1988** - Portland Metro Center moved to its first permanent facilities on Southeast Harmony Road near Clackamas Town Center.
- 1989** - State Board authorized OIT to grant master's degrees.
- 1991** - Lawrence J. Wolf appointed President.
- 1995** - Master's degree first offered.
- 1998** - Martha Anne Dow appointed President.

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