

ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS (Table 2.3.3)

1999-00

The Oregon Institute of Technology athletic program enjoyed another outstanding year in 1999-2000. The basketball team won the Cascade Conference tournament and their third trip in the last four years to the NAIA Division II National Tournament. The Hustlin' Owls were 30-7 for the year and finished 5th out of 32 teams in the tournament in Point Lookout, Missouri. Senior Josh Conrad was an academic All-American.

A young Oregon Tech softball team begins Cascade Conference Play on March 31st. Last season Tech finished second after winning the conference championship the preceding four years.

Brett Long ran for the fourth straight time in the cross-country final at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. Long finished 25th out of 236 runners to become the first-ever OIT All-America in cross-country. Long will attempt to repeat as an All-America in track and field (steeple) this spring.

OIT's volleyball squad will have a new leader in 2000. Tom Loney will add a new cap to his current duties of assistant basketball coach, head trainer and intramural director. Last year, Tech made the play-offs for the second straight time in their two years of competition. Brandie Heupel was an academic All-American.

This fall, the Oregon Tech soccer squad will enter the Cascade Conference. Last year, Tech competed as a club team under the leadership of Coach Mike Cornachione and his assistant Erin Foley.

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