

### Meeting of the Oregon Tech Board of Trustees Academic Quality and Student Success Committee

Virtually via Microsoft Teams Monday, June 10, 2024 9:30 am – 11:30 am

### Academic Quality and Student Success Committee Agenda

- 1. Call to Order/Roll/Declaration of a Quorum (9:30 am) (5 min) Interim Chairs John Davis and Vince Jones
- 2. Consent Agenda (9:35 am) (5 min) Chairs Davis and Jones
  - 2.1 Approve the minutes of the meeting on April 9, 2024.
- 3. Reports
  - **3.1 Provost's Report** (9:40 am) (30 min) Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Joanna Mott
  - **3.2** MIT Department Update (10:10 am) (10 min) Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Joanna Mott (Oral Presentation)
  - **3.3 Free Dental Care Day** (10:20 am) (15 min) Assistant Professor in Dental Hygiene, Darlene Swigart, Sophomore Liz Maina, and Junior Sierra Avril
  - 3.4 Student Affairs Report (10:35 am) (30 min) Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Mandi Clark
  - **3.5 Oregon Tech Veterans Services (**11:05 am) (20 min) Director of Veterans Services, Donald Stockton
- 4. Other Business/New Business (11:25 am) (5 min) Chairs Davis and Jones
- **5.** Adjournment (11:30 am) Chairs Davis and Jones

All times are approximate.



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### Academic Quality and Student Success Committee Minutes

**Trustees Present:** 

John Davis, Interim Co-Chair Vince Jones, Interim Co-Chair Phong Nguyen Cec Amuchastegui David Cauble Johnnie Early

Nagi Naganathan, President (ex officio)

Trustees not in Attendance:

Vijay Dhir Don Gentry Celia Nũnez-Flores

### University Staff and Faculty Present in person:

Abdy Afjeh, Vice Provost for Research and Academic Affairs

Neslihan Alp, Dean of Engineering, Technology & Management

Thomas Arce, Director of Student Involvement and Belonging

Ruth Claire Black, Dean of Online Education & Global Engagement

Shawni Cayetano Ramos, Associate Director of Student Leadership & Cultural Engagement

Mandi Clark, Associate Vice President & Dean of Students & Interim VP for Student Affairs

Kim Faks, Assistant Director Student Involvement & Belonging

Ken Fincher, Vice President of University Advancement & Interim Board Secretary

Lori Garrard, Executive Assistant to VP of University Advancement

David Groff, General Counsel

John Harman, Vice President of Finance & Administration

Beverly McCreary, Assistant Vice Provost of Faculty Relations

Joanna Mott, Provost, Vice President Academic Affairs

Adria Paschal, Senior Executive Assistant to the President

Dan Peterson, Dean College of Health, Arts & Sciences

Zoe Smiley, Assistant Director First Year Experience & Student

Bryan Wada, Information Technology Consultant 2

1. Call to Order/Roll/Declaration of a Quorum, *Interim Chairs Davis and Jones*Co-Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 9:43 am. The Board Secretary called roll, and there was a quorum.

### 2. Consent Agenda Chairs Davis and Jones

### 2.1 Approve minutes of the January 9, 2024 meeting.

Minutes for the meeting were adopted with no changes noted.

### 3. Action Items

- 3.1 Bachelors in Construction Management, Dean of ETM, Dr. Nesli Alp
  - **Dean Alp** provided information regarding what the Construction Management program is and why it is needed at Oregon Tech. She explained the courses and requirements required for students to obtain the degree and for accreditation.
  - **Dean Alp** talked about budget and funding for the program. She shared about confirmed funding and collaborations with other agencies.
  - Trustees engaged in discussion regarding fundraising and details of the proposed degree.
  - Dean Alp shared the timeline for the program as well anticipated cohort size.
  - Trustees asked questions and engaged in discussion about the benefits of the degree.

### 4. Discussion Items

- 4.1 A.I.R.E Research Presentation, Center Director, Dr. Kyle Chapman
  - Dr. Chapman talked about Oregon Tech's Center for Advancing Interdisciplinary Research on the Environment. He explained the AIRE Center and collaborative research. He talked about the current research focus and other air quality-related projects.
  - Trustees asked questions and discussion ensued.
  - Dr. Chapman discussed the future needs and funding for the AIRE Center.

### 4.2 Student Involvement and Belonging National Conference Presentations,

Director of Student Involvement & Belonging, Thomas Arce, Associate Director for Student Leadership Development & Cultural Engagement, Shawni Cayetano-Ramos, Assistant Director for First Year Experience & Student Engagement, Zoé Smiley, Assistant Director for Portland-Metro Student Involvement & Belonging, Kim Faks

- The Student Involvement and Belonging Team shared about Oregon Tech's ripple effect on higher education's scholar-practitioner community. They are student-centered and an advocate for environments that improve student success
- They shared about presentations they made at national conferences, promoting Oregon Tech and their goal of model diversity, equity, inclusion and collaboration.

### 5. Reports

- **5.1 Student Affairs,** Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Mandi Clark
  - **Dr. Clark** shared about initiatives by student affairs regarding community building. She talked about supporting basic needs and nourishing student potential. She shared stories from the basic needs hub.
  - **Dr. Clark** talked about the veterans services, student health, building self-sustaining programs, athletics, TechNest, and Engineers Week.
- **5.2 Provost's Report,** Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs & SEM, Dr. Joanna Mott

- **Dr. Mott** provided updates in staffing changes, academic programs, and new online certificates.
- **Dr. Mott** provided an update on the DPT program and program accreditations.
- **Dr. Mott** talked about the academic plan and the continued implementation.
- More updates are listed in Dr. Mott's written presentation and report.
- **6.** Other Business/New Business, Interim Chairs Davis and Jones None.
- 7. Adjournment 12:00 pm



### OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

### AQ&SS Committee June 10, 2024 Academic Affairs and Strategic Enrollment Management Update

The following report outlines updates in both Academic Affairs and Strategic Enrollment Management.

### **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

### **HECC Public University Evaluation Framework**

The university's evaluation framework for 2021-22 and 2022-23 was approved by the HECC at their April 11, 2024 meeting

ACTION ITEM: Public University Evaluations – OIT, WOU, SOU, EOU (ORS 352.061) Veronica Dujon and Jim Pinkard presented on the action item, summarizing the university evaluations and discussed the evaluation of financial conditions and student affordability. Veronica Dujon, Jim Pinkard, and Ben Cannon responded to questions from the Commission on staff quantitative rather than qualitative reporting and enrollment data trends coming out of the pandemic. MOTION: Commissioner Devlin moved approval and Commissioner Simnitt seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Staffing**

Dr. Nate Bickford will be serving as Interim Dean for Health, Arts and Sciences, effective June 17, 2024 while the search for a permanent new Dean is in progress. VP Afjeh continues to serve as Interim Chair of MMET in the College of Engineering, Technology and Management as the previous chair left at the end of the fall term and the search for a replacement is ongoing. The new Associate Vice Provost for Academic Excellence, Dr. Linus Yu, will be joining Oregon Tech on June 28, 2024. He will be leading initiatives such as revising course evaluations, instituting a procedure for regular program reviews and working on reviewing the general education curriculum. The new Associate Dean for Health, Arts and Sciences has started in her position. Approx. 21 faculty searches are in various stages of the search process, with several offers accepted. A number of vacancies will not be replaced in response to a drop in enrollment and the resulting budget shortfall.

### **Academic Programs**

The B.S. Construction Management program has been approved by the Statewide Provost Council and will be on the HECC meeting June 13 for approval. It will then need to be submitted to the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU). Eleven online certificates, using existing courses, have been approved internally and submitted to NWCCU. Five of these have been approved by the NWCCU, with five pending. One will not go fully online until fall 2025.

### **Doctor in Physical Therapy**

There are eight students in the current (first) year cohort (2026 cohort). They are doing well and progressing effectively through their first year of rigorous study. For the second cohort, starting Summer 2024, 14 students are so far registered for classes and another 3 have deposited (capacity is 24). We anticipate reaching full capacity for our cohort following full accreditation in the Fall of 2026. This is very exciting and can be attributed to the hard work of Admissions and the DPT faculty.

Dr. Marc Campolo is retiring at the end of the academic year as faculty member and DPT program director. He will be replaced in the program director role by Dr. Marybeth Grant Beuttler. Dr. Jacki Brechter is currently serving as department chair of Health Science. Since coming to OIT 2 years ago, Dr. Grant Beuttler has published 11 papers and has 3 others in process. She is actively presenting in conferences in the US and also abroad".

### **Academic Initiatives and Events**

Student and faculty research continues to grow. The University Research Committee (URC) organized the annual Ideafest Faculty and Staff Research event on Thursday, May 16th. There were 11 oral presentations and 20 poster presentations. Both colleges and campuses were represented, and presenters were from 12 different departments. The student Ideafests were held on May 29 in PM with 22 presentations and on June 7 at Klamath Falls with 88 presentations.

The URC was active all year meeting regularly and holding three Research Roundtables in the 2023-2024 year. Research Networking events included one in-person on the PM campus and one virtual (dates-10-27-2023 and 11-29-2023). During the winter term a Cultivating Student Success in Presenting Research-virtual event (date 2-21-2024) was held and in spring Research Expectations: Clarity and Management-virtual event (4-24-2024).

Two Academic Forums were held – one for faculty and staff (April 16) and one for students at Klamath Falls (May 21). The PM student forum was held in the winter term.

For the student forum all Deans and Chairs were asked to attend to answer questions in their area.

### **Program Accreditations:**

Echocardiography has received its annual Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography review and acceptance letter. The program's next Self-Study will be due March of 2025 with a comprehensive review by May 31, 2026.

Dental Hygiene will have a site visit this fall and they are currently working on their self-study to submit this summer.

### Online Education

Online Campus Student Retention and Success Coaching: The small proof of concept/pilot program of student retention and success coaching with a Portland based non-profit coaching company, called Inside Track is now well underway and proving helpful and insightful for the community of students receiving coaching for this pilot, which are online campus students at highest risk of non-retention.

Outreach to 'Stopped Out' Students: The strategic communications to seven hundred Oregon Tech students who have 'stopped out' on their academic journey with us, recently kicked off on May 15 and will run through mid-September. This project supports students to return from a hiatus and will support enrollment for the Fall term. If a student does return as a result of this strategic communication campaign, then they will receive retention and student success coaching for the 2024-25 academic year to support their re-engagement with the institution.

**Canvas Back-up and Restore Tool:** Testing and implementation of the new Canvas LMS Back-up and Restore system has been completed. This proprietary custom tool will support improved system redundancy and data recovery options across our Canvas LMS ecosystem. If course content is deleted or lost the new system will alert us that content has been removed and then enable a process for quick restoration of the lost or missing content.

**Canvas LMS Platform Contract Renewal:** In collaboration with ITS we have completed the renewal agreement to keep our Canvas LMS for an additional five years. Our new Canvas contract is now set to expire in June 2029.

**Online Certificates for Fall 2024 Lauch:** We remain on track and on schedule for the launch ten new online certificates for Fall 2024.

**Online Coordinated Quality Initiatives:** In collaboration with OLAC, CCTC and several other committees focused on online course and program quality, the online department has developed guidelines for Using LTI's, a set of minimum quality standards for online

courses as well as a set of best practices for online learning and a new Canvas course template.

### **Sponsored Projects and Grants Administration**

An offer has been extended to a Grants Manager. The search is still underway for a new Executive Director.

The following funding has been secured through the legislature or donors:

- \$500,000 for construction management from The Beaver Trust to start our program and for student scholarships
- \$666,667 from HB 5204 for Behavioral Health Workforce Investment student scholarships
- \$671,141 from HB 4154 and SB 5701 for semiconductor workforce investments a grant from HECC. Dr. Korivi is the PI.
- \$1.17 million from the U.S. Airforce for research in manufacturing funded through ARCTOS, a contractor for the Air Force. Dr. Saber is the PI.
- In excess of \$700,000 from Oregon Health Authority, KWWCD Spring River Monitoring, Goshawk Surveying. Dr. Kellerman is the Pl.
- Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center Research and Development (OMIC R&D) was awarded \$1.0M from Business Oregon to establish the Center of Innovation Excellence on Additive Manufacturing.

### **Global Engagement**

Summer Travel Class: The summer travel class is all set to head out on August 24, 2024. The guided courses with twenty-four students will travel to Iceland, Estonia, Sweden and Finland with a return to campus just in time for Fall term start on Monday, September 16. The travel class includes campus visits to several of our international partners and is action packed with rich learning events and experiences that will make for unforgettable trips for our students. We hope this will be the start of an annual travel class. Dr. Nate Bickford and Dr Sonja Bickford will lead this year's travel class.

**Coordinator of Global Engagement**: We are pleased to announce that we have filled the new Coordinator of Global Engagement role, and that Brittany ('Niko') Pearson will take up the post starting July 1, 2024. This position will be officed in the Portland Metro campus but will support global work across all of our campuses, project and programs.

**Welcoming Study Abroad Students**: We are in the final stages of processing the applications for our two Finnish exchange students from Metropolia University in Helsinki Finland. We will have one student with us for Fall term and one student will us for Winter and Spring terms. Both students are Civil Engineering majors.

### **Updates from the Colleges:**

### **College of Engineering Technology and Management**

- The Center for Excellence in Applied Computing will be established under the Geomatics Department, which will now be named the Department of Geomatics and Applied Computing.
- Management & Innovation Week was celebrated from April 18-25, including the Catalyze Klamath event on April 24th, where nine teams gave outstanding presentations. Three of these teams were selected to participate in the Invent Oregon event in June.
- Four Civil Engineering students received prestigious scholarships from the Pacific Northwest Section of the American Water Works Association, Simpson Strong-Tie, and Beavers Charitable Trust.
- Seven Computer Systems Engineering Technology students attended the 11<sup>th</sup>
  IEEE Conference on Technologies for Sustainability (SusTech 2024). One student
  received first place, and three others received third place awards.
- The Electrical Engineering and Renewable Energy Department has received \$217,000 worth of new equipment.
- Manufacturing and Mechanical Engineering and Technology students
  participated in the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Baja and Formula
  competitions, representing Oregon Tech at the highest level. Additionally, one
  of our MMET faculty members received a \$1.17 million grant from the Air Force
  Research Laboratory.

### **College of Health, Arts and Sciences**

- Welcomed Michelle Preston as the Associate Dean of the College of Health Arts and Sciences
- Began work with OHSU to explore the expansion of the Respiratory Care program to Portland
- Undergraduate students gave 18 presentations at regional or national scientific meetings
- Four students from Oregon Tech's Biology-Health Sciences program presented research at the Microbiology Student Symposium held at University of California, Berkeley, in Berkeley, California.
- Oregon Tech Dental Hygiene students participated in a community dental health event that provided 174 dental procedures valued at \$20,323 in services.
- Vascular Technology student selected as a recipient of the Society for Vascular Ultrasound (SVU) Anne Jones Educational Scholarship.
- Eleven Oregon Tech Environmental Sciences students presented research at the Oregon Chapter of the Wildlife Society (ORTWS) Annual Conference.

- Dr. Jesse Kinder received a NASA OSGC AFRIP Award: \$31,600 and had a publication in the Bulletin of the American Astronomical Society
- Nate Bickford received a grant from the US Forest Service of \$125,000 and published
- "Metapopulation Genomics of American Goshawks in the Intermountain West of the United States" in Conservation Science and Practice, Coenzyme M: An Archaeal Antioxidant as an Agricultural Biostimulant. Plant Biotechnology Journal, "Phenological variation in the life histories of amphidromous gobies endemic to the Hawaiian Islands" for publication in Ecology of Freshwater Fish.
- Jherime Kellerman received a US Forest Service grant of \$125,000 and a BLM and Fish Wildlife Service grant of \$50,000

### Library

• The search for a new permanent University Librarian at Klamath Falls is at interview stage. Two finalists were brought to campus.

### **Registrar's Office**

- KF commencement is Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>; PM commencement is Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>; Seattle commencement is Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.
- 2024 Commencement KF 331 participants, PM 58 participants
- Currently working on the implementation of CourseDog for scheduling and events. Training will be rolled out in fall term 2024
- Common course numbering work has been completed for the year and includes BA 101Z, Introduction to Business; BA 211Z, Principles of Financial Accounting; BA 213Z, Principles of Managerial Accounting; ENG 104Z, Introduction to Fiction; ENG 106Z, Introduction to Poetry; PSY 201Z, Introduction to Psychology I; and PSY 202Z, Introduction to Psychology II. MATH 251Z, MATH 252Z and MATH 253Z are pending Transfer Council approval. Credit count increased from 3 to 4 credits for BA 101Z, PSY 201Z and PSY 202Z.

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

### Admission:

Continued growth in deposits year over year - net deposits:

2023: 467 2024: 593

• Staffing for 2024-2025 cycle of priority

Replace regional recruiter West Coast/Hawai'i
Currently interviewing Assistant Director KF Campus

• Technology enhancements

Axiom integration of Slate and Banner proceeding, with anticipated Fall

### 2024 rollout

### Retention/Advising:

- Lagging registration numbers for current students
   Fall 2023 cohort currently lagging for Fall 2024 registration by 10% year over year (All campuses)
- Improved utilization rates for Inspire, our advising software
- Staffing: implementing plan to increase advising capacity at PM and supplement Peer Tutoring coordination across all campuses

### **Financial Aid:**

- Completion of initial financial aid offerings for Fall 2024 Cohort and continuing students
- Continuing collaborative effort with Admission to drive FAFSA participation among student population

### **Educational Partnerships and Outreach:**

- Summer Camp rollout is underway
- The office is designing "direct admission" pathway for MESA and outreach partners

### Oregon Tech Student Affairs Spring AQSS BOT report

### The Student Experience

### **Athletics**

Facility Development – hosted the ribbon cutting of the renovated Moehl Stadium and track complex, and this renovated space was host to the first two home meets in over a decade – including the Cascade Conference Championships. This year, Oregon Tech provided the first-ever live video stream of the CCC track meet.

Academic Achievement – All 13 of our teams will be NAIA Scholar Teams, each posting a cumulative grade point average of over 3.35. Eighty-seven student-athletes earned NAIA Scholar-Athlete honors (3.50 GPA and sophomore standing) and 116 Cascade Conference All-Academic Team (3.20 GPA and sophomore standing) selections

Softball finished 49-12, winning their third-straight Cascade Conference regular-season title, advancing to their 10th-straight NAIA Tournament and an unprecedented fifth-straight NAIA World Series (placing fourth). Hosting the NAIA Opening Round tournament, saw Oregon Tech with the highest attended in the association. Greg Stewart was named Coach of the Year for a record tenth time, with Kaila Mick named CCC Player of the Year.

Baseball finished 34-18 – the most wins in program history and unfortunately were the first team left out of the NAIA Tournament. Tyler Horner was named CCC Player of the Year, setting a new school record with 16 home runs

Golf – Women's team placed second and men's team placed third at the CCC Championships, with Dave Myers named CCC Women's Coach of the Year.

### **Basic Needs**

Spring term efforts focused on the Portland-Metro campus. The bird feeder moved from the second floor to the fourth-floor kitchen, providing additional space for more groceries. Upon this relocation of the Bird Feeder, positive feedback was received by increasing student use!



Other activities included a demonstration on how to make homemade tortillas and creating meal bags for students at PM to take home. The bags contained store-bought tortillas, canned chicken, some vegetables, and a recipe card for making a chicken salad mix. The back of the card included a fun homemade tortilla recipe.

Another method to address food insecurity on the Portland-Metro (PM) campus was the creation of a PB&J station. Collaborating with student staff on campus and ASOIT, two areas were identified where students can make PB&J sandwiches between classes or during study breaks, providing a more substantial option than snacks. The student worker placed the order for both stations and worked with ASOIT to set them up. Feedback from students at Portland-Metro has been positive.

Future plans include expanding options to include spreads like Nutella, honey, and different flavored jams. Currently, this

setup is exclusive to the PM campus, but given its success, there is potential to create a PB&J station on the Klamath Falls campus as well.

### **Clothing Closet**

This quarter, the Basic Needs program established a partnership with the local Goodwill in Wilsonville to provide free clothing vouchers to Oregon Tech students needing

interview attire.
Students can contact the coordinator, identify themselves as Oregon Tech students, and request assistance for an upcoming interview. While activity in the clothing closet on the PM campus has decreased, this partnership addresses the basic need for professional clothing

In Klamath Falls, the focus was on improving decals to the windows curtain provided



students with more privacy while

browsing clothes. Since cleaning and enhancing the privacy features, more students have approached the Hub about clothing options, and there is an increase in usage of this space. Work is now happening to research and organize a monthly pop-up closet in various areas on campus, to raise awareness of Feather Exchange's free clothing service.

### Career Services

Career Services is committed to leading a university-wide culture of career development and professionalism to empower students and alumni to achieve their career goals. As a team, we partner with faculty, staff, and employers to build students' career readiness throughout their time at Oregon Tech, and we offer lifetime career development support for alumni.

In pursuit of our mission and alignment with the Division of Student Affairs' mission and goals, Career Services has established three priorities to foster student success in persistence to graduation and professional success beyond graduation.

### **Industry Connections**

- Engaged Employers: 273
   (Employers actively engaged with Career Services in person or email.)
- Active Employers: 810
   (Employers posting full-time jobs and receiving student applications.)
- Spring Career Fairs April 2024:
   This spring, Career Services welcomed 22 employers who met with 79 students on the Portland Metro Campus and 60 employers who met with 190 students on the Klamath Falls Campus. We were particularly excited to have US Department of State, the FBI, and the US Patent Office join us as recently we have been highlighting government job opportunities, particularly in areas where we need more employment options for our students e.g., cybersecurity.
- Upcoming Events:

Career Services will be supporting the Dean of the College of Engineering Technology & Management as a Conference Exhibitor at the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) Annual Conference in Portland June 23-26, 2024.

### **Career Development**

- Student Appointments: 243
  - o 144 Resume Reviews (Initial and Advanced)
  - o 62 Career Exploration/Job Search Strategies
  - 37 Interview Coaching and Mock Interviews
- Upcoming Events:
  - o Summer Virtual Workshop Series
    - Resume/Cover Letter
    - Interview Tips and Tricks
    - Professionalism
    - Professional Online Profiles
    - Job Search Strategies
  - Summer 1:1 appointments will continue, and we will host drop-in hours.
- Graduate Outcomes Survey. Survey closes 6/14/2024:

 Survey response rate remains stagnant at 20.9%. The Registrars of each campus have kindly agreed to include a call to action to complete the survey in the Commencement email to students.

### Career Readiness

- The "Business Management Department Mixer" is a relatively new collaboration between Career Services and the Business Management Department. Held during Management & Innovation Week in April, this unique event brought alumni, students, faculty, and employers together to inspire students with real world success while fostering engagement and a sense of community.
- Career Services continues our outreach to student clubs to help students understand and articulate the transferable skills they develop through club leadership. Spring term we met with the pre-Medical Lab Sciences (MLS) Club to discuss Interview Tips and Tricks in preparation for the MLS application interview and the Student Veterans Program to explore career resources for veterans.
- This summer MGT335 Project Management will feature a session from Career Services on Strategies for Securing an internship. Internships are one of five experiences Business Management Department students can use to fulfill their capstone requirement.

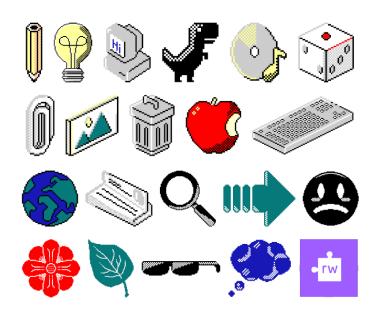
### College Union

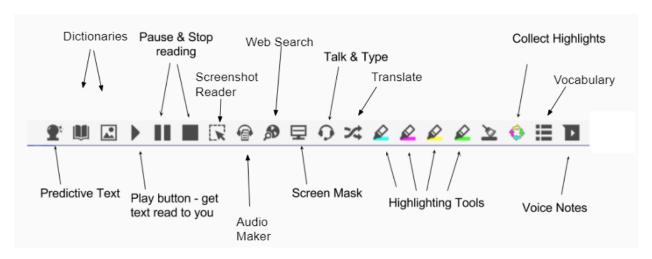
- College Union Manager is leading implementation of new events and reservation software,
   Course Dog, in conjunction with Registrar's Office to align university-wide scheduling.
  - Course Dog system will launch in summer 2024 with ability for internal users to request reservations electronically.
- The team has been instrumental in helping the Oregon Tech community utilize their "living room" in a variety of ways throughout spring term, and now is gearing up for all the activities and celebrations leading up to commencement.
- Accessible viewing of commencement will be offered in the Cascades room (dining area) of the CU for those who may want to be in the shade and climate-controlled environment while participating in commencement activities.

### **Disability and Testing Services**

Disability and Testing Services added Read&Write to our roster of resources – this campus wide license is available to the entire Oregon Tech Community. Read&Write is a literacy support toolbar, proven to improve students' reading and writing. R&W has been designed in Universal design for learning in mind. With over 20 tools, some notable features include text-to-speech, dictionary tools, text prediction and voice notes. This application replaces both Assistive Learning Technologies Glean (note taking) and Kurzweil (text to speech): providing wider access at a lower cost.







### Housing and Residence Life

### Spring 2024 Housing Numbers (updated 5/28/24)

- 593 students living on campus as of 5/29/24
  - o 244 Females
  - o 349 Males

### Fall 2024 Housing Application Numbers (updated 5/28/24)

- New Student Completed Housing Applications = 437
  - o 39.6% increase from same time last year
- Returner Student Complete Housing Applications = 425
  - 8.8% decrease from same time last year

- TOTAL Fall 2024 Completed Housing Applications = 862
  - o 10.7% increase from same time last year
- Completed Applications received by May 1<sup>st</sup> Guaranteed Housing Deadline = 831
  - Housing's goal is to have housing options for every student who is requesting it, but students who submitted applications by May 1st are guaranteed housing.
  - o Options Housing is considering to house students Fall 2024
    - Turning some Office Spaces in Residence Hall back into student housing:
    - Temporarily turning larger rooms into triples instead of doubles
    - Researching options to rent a floor or wing of a local hotel by month or for the term. Goal would be to move students back on campus as space opens throughout the term

### New Residential Facility Updates

- Tree removal for the construction site began April 13, 2024
- Dirt excavation in progress
  - o As of May 23, 2024, 35,000 yards of dirt have been exported from the site!
- By utilizing local subcontractors, 90% of the budget for this project will be staying in Klamath Falls or within a 100-mile radius of Klamath Falls.
- Updates of the new housing construction can be viewed by going to www.oit.edu/housing.
   Click the link <u>here</u> for viewing updates.

### Housing Programming—hosted by Programming Assistants and Resident Assistants

- Hosted a total of 13 events (both passive and active) throughout the term
  - Example of events held Spring 2024 term—Village Quad BBQ, tie dying event, roller skating event, etc.

### Residence Hall Association Programming

- Hosted Spring Fling Events
  - May 13-18<sup>th</sup>—held 3-5 events per day including a Ping-Pong Tournament, crafting and paint activities, Dodge Ball Tournament, campus wide BBQ and more!
  - Events were open to all campus students
  - o Over 1,500 people participated in events throughout the week.
- Purchased accessories for a WII to be utilized in the Night Owl by students.
- Updated pool table in Residence Hall with purchase of new pool balls and accessories.

### Fall 2024 Student Staff Selection

- Fall 2024 Staff Selection wrapped up for the Resident Assistant, Programming Assistant,
   Student Success Mentors, Service Desk, Maintenance Tech, and Tech Assistant positions
  - Total of 56 positions hired for Fall 2024
- Final student positions to fill for Fall 2024 are custodial.

### Summer in Housing

- Housing will host two conferences Summer 2024 including the return of the Tulelake Pilgrimage which will bring 400+ guests to campus over the 4th of July weekend
- Hired 28 student staff to work over the summer—most will be working part time while taking classes or completing intern/externships.

• Summer will be spent deep cleaning all residential facilities and preparing for staff training that kicks off September 3<sup>rd</sup>, and planning Flight School.

### Integrated Student Health Clinic

Gaylyn Maurer left the Director position April 1, 2024 and Dr. Clark stepped in as interim. The search for a new director will begin over the summer, with the goal to host on campus interviews in the first weeks of September. Most of the Student Health staff work 10 months so hosting candidates on campus in September gives the team time to interact with candidates.

Spring term has been busy on both campuses, meeting with students for mental and physical health needs in Klamath Falls, and mental health needs at the Portland Metro campus. As the counselor has been at the PM campus for a year now, there are some additional thoughts on their work and client load below.

Both campuses have also done a great job of hosting space in the CU and various locations at the PM campus for students to interact with the team. From anxiety screenings, a perfectionism workshop relaxation stations, stress management, and inspirational crafting activities the teams at both campuses have worked hard to offer a variety of things for students at both campuses to interact with the team and learn a bit more about the services offered in a community environment.

### Portland Metro Mental Health Counseling Update for the academic year

Spring 2023	Fall 2023	Winter 2024	Spring 2024
Clients: 8	Clients: 17	Clients: 19	Clients: 17
Sessions: 37	Sessions: 61	Sessions: 88	Sessions: 74

### **Presenting issues**

Depression, Anxiety, Mood Disorder, Psychiatric disorder, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Academic Distress, Relationship Distress (divorce, break up, questions around trust/fidelity), Grief and loss, recent psychiatric hospitalization, history of trauma, history of PTSD, caregiver distress, complex family dynamic, health concerns in family system, alcoholic family system, financial concerns, affected by war.

### Campus resource referrals:

Disability Services, Career Services, Academic Advising, Financial Aid, Students Services, Basic Needs Coordinator.

### Community resource referrals:

Aging and disability resources.

**Psychoeducation**: on depression, anxiety, mood disorders, ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder ASD. Grief and loss, trauma, PTSD, emotional reactivity/getting triggered, stress response, relaxation response, sympathetic and parasympathetic nervous system. Assertive Communication. Boundaries. Stress management, time management. Strengthening coping: Affirmations, coping statements, cognitive reframing, positive self-talk, strengths focus, solutions focus. Practicing gratitude. Practicing Self-Compassion. Recognizing emotions. Asking for what we need. Identifying our needs

and wants. Self-validation. Identify formation. Stress management. Self-care. *Executive function*. Strengthening motivation. Strengthening time management. Pomodoro technique. Goal setting. Habit formation. Strategies for managing environment. Boosting dopamine. *Managing Autism Spectrum Disorder* (ASD). Masking, burnout, self-advocacy, neurodiversity affirming care. *Managing depression*. Boosting endorphins. Reducing perfectionism. Responding to the inner critic. Keeping a credit list. Taking in the good. Building self-esteem. Behavioral activation. CBT for depression. Imposter syndrome. *Managing anxiety*. Positive distractions. Affirmations and coping statements. Realistic assessment. Understanding the window of tolerance. CBT. Relaxation techniques: Grounding techniques, breathing techniques (diaphragmatic breathing, box breathing, 4 7 8 breathing), body scan, progressive muscle relaxation, visualizations (leaves on stream).

**Therapy:** Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Solution Focused Therapy, ACT (Acceptance and Commitment Therapy), Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction, Self-Compassion.

### Portland Metro

- PM Strong Start Funds are supporting 2 cohorts of students with professional coaching.
  - o Cohort 1: Launched May 1st with 60 current students
    - 48% of students who opted-in to the coaching program cited academic support as their primary reason for joining.
    - 60% have responded to Coach Kevin Loder since coaching began.
      - ALUMNI CONNECTION: Coach Kevin's father attended Oregon Tech!
    - From May 1 May 23
      - 36/60 have engaged one time
      - 27/60 have engaged twice
      - 17/60 have engaged three times
  - Cohort 2: Launching in July will include 60 incoming/ new PM students
- Josie Hudspeth presented "Expectations, Assumptions, and Reality: A Review of Portland-Metro Student Feedback" at the Faculty Speaker Series, open to all employees and students.
  - Audience members engaged in a dialogue about how to improve the student experience.
  - Student feedback has demonstrated that their expectations are not being met in the following areas. In some cases, we need to help correct student expectations and help them align with what we are capable of providing.
    - Consider all distances which students travel from when making decisions about weather closures
    - Ensure accurate and proactive advising to support efficient degree completion
    - Ensure accurate listing of materials and costs during course registration
    - Ensure protection from retaliation (in evaluation or experience) after reporting issues
    - Facilitate opportunities to engage with degree program classmates
    - Improve academic quality (course content delivery and classroom management)

- Improve campus accessibility (physical spaces, equipment, environment, and use of technology to support a more flexible experience)
- Improve campus dining options (price and nutritional value)
- Improve course scheduling process and course availability
- Improve visibility & understanding about services and resources
- Increase number of faculty to ensure sufficient number of classes and excellence in educational quality
- Provide opportunity to purchase Oregon Tech merchandise
- Provide timely evaluation and feedback on coursework
- Require faculty and staff to utilize all available technology and programs with expertise
- Update curriculum to align with industry standards and innovation

### Student Involvement and Belonging

### SIB Staff Achievement Updates

- SIB Staffer, Shawni Cayetano-Ramos (Associate Director for Student Leadership Development & Cultural Engagement), selected to present during the 2024 Faculty & Staff IDEAfest poster session. The poster is titled, "Supporting Student Identity Formation and Cultural Engagement Through Leadership Learning Lenses."
- SIB Staffer, Kim Faks (Assistant Director for Portland Metro Student Involvement & Belonging), selected to present during the 2024 Faculty & Staff IDEAfest poster session. The poster titled, "Rebranding a Student Orientation Program: S.O.A.R.-ing into Success Focused on Learning Outcomes."
- SIB Staffer, Zoé Smiley (Assistant Director for First Year Experience and Student Engagement), selected to present during the 2024 Faculty & Staff IDEAfest poster session. The poster titled, "First Year Experience and the Importance of High Impact Practices."
- SIB Staff have been selected to present the curriculum of the Leadership & Diversity Scholars Program at NCORE- National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in Higher Education (Honolulu, HI) in May 2024. The session is titled, "Supporting Student Identity Formation and Cultural Engagement Through Leadership Learning Lens." Presenter: Shawni Cayetano-Ramos (Associate Director for Student Leadership Development & Cultural Engagement).

### SIB Klamath Falls Student Events & Activities

- Week of Welcome KF Spring Term New Student Programs kicked off the spring term with a
  warm welcome, treating students to TWO days of FREE breakfast across campus. This
  initiative aimed to foster a sense of community and provide a positive start to the term.
- Comedy Night with Adam Grabowski (April 2024) One of the standout events this spring
  was the performance by comedian Adam Grabowski. Adam, a 4-time National College Comic
  of the Year, entertained the audience with his unique brand of humor. Following his
  performance, students had the opportunity to meet and greet Adam, creating lasting
  memories.
- First Year Experience Peer Mentorship Program We're excited to continue our Peer Mentor program, which is designed to help Fall 2024 Oregon Tech Owls transition into life on campus. Our selected mentors have been trained and certified as Peer Educators and will spend the summer and fall terms communicating and mentoring new students.

- Spring Into Summer Event (May 2024) This event brought together a multitude of departments in one central location, making it easy for students to wrap up the year. Students stopped by, grabbed a refreshing bite, and received resources to get ready for the summer months ahead.
- Music Garden (May 2024) Student run radio station, KTEC 89.5 FM and Campus Activities
  Board planned the annual music festival held early May that brought nearly 300 attendees to
  enjoy two student bands (Music Club), and two bands from outside the state. Food vendors
  and student club tabling and food raiser fundraising provided many opportunities for student
  engagement and the love of music.
- Lū'au (May 2024) The Hawai'i Club held the annual student lu'au event that showcased the cultural significance of hula, led by student hula performances and an authentic meal prepared by students from family recipes and cultural ingredients.
- Medical Imaging Technology Student Club Banquets (May & June 2024) The five MIT-based student clubs- Diagnostic Medical Sonography Club, Echocardiography Club, Nuclear Medicine Club, Radiological Science Club, & Vascular Technology Club- held their end of year student club banquets at off-campus sites to celebrate the junior classes as they go onto their next year on externships (off-site) and acknowledge the dedication of their faculty contributions to their academic and social success.
- Identity-Based Graduate Celebration (May & June 2024) An event held twice in spring term, mid-May and during the Klamath Falls Commencement Rehearsal inviting to celebrate their identities. Students will receive cords, and or stoles for the following identities: First Generation, Military Veterans, Asian Pacific Islander Desi American, Black Indigenous, Hispanic/Latino, International, Women in STEM and Allied Health, and LGBTQ+.
- Leadership & Service Awards Celebration (May 2024) Annual celebration and recognition of student leaders, student organizations, faculty/staff, and campus events and activities that make our Oregon Tech KF campus so vibrant and active for student engagement.
- Summer Fun Series 2024 Planning of student events that utilize the beautiful summer
  weather and encourage students to participate in activities in the local community include
  trip to Oregon Shakespeare Festival (OSF), Crater Lake Zipline/ Kayaking, and Taste of
  Klamath Falls food extravaganza downtown.

### SIB Portland-Metro Student Events & Activities

- Week of Welcome PM Spring Term Five events welcoming students back for Spring Term.
   Students played Well-Being Bingo and were encouraged to practice acts of well-being throughout the week to become eligible to win prizes.
- SIB Cooking Club (April 2024) A student-led cooking demonstration that shared healthy recipes with the audience. The guest chef shared memories of growing up and cooking with his mom. The event included a discussion among student attendees about some of their own successes and challenges in the kitchen.
- Sexual Assault and Awareness Events (April 2024) Events (Consent Fries and Denim Day)
  focused attention on obtaining consent and educating students that a person's clothing does
  not invite sexual activity.
- Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month Celebration (May 2024) Student
  Involvement and Belonging hosted two storytelling events with members of our faculty and
  staff from China, India, Turkey, South Korea, and Vietnam. Through storytelling, imagery, and
  food, the students learned about the history and culture of these regions and that we have

- more in common than our differences. AAPI month also included a musical performance by a Chinese string performer who shared the history and the impact of music on Chinese culture.
- Association of Energy Engineers (AEE) West Conference AEE Club members attended the
  Western regional conference in Bellevue, WA. Conference sessions included detailed case
  study discussions while exploring the newest technologies. Students felt inspired when
  hearing from industry-leading speakers discussing breakthroughs in energy efficiency. Their
  participation in multiple conference presentations also encouraged them to explore new
  ideas through their courses of study.
- Student Club and Leadership Awards Celebration (May 2024) Annual celebration and recognition of student clubs and leaders and the work they do to provide opportunities for student engagement and build professional skills.
- Queer Brunch (May 2024) Requested by members of our Out in STEM student club, industry professionals were invited to Oregon Tech to share their stories of coming out and staying out in STEM and other industries. Students learned how to be a good ally. Question and answer discussion was encouraged.
- Identity-Based Graduate Celebration (June 2024) An event will be held the morning of Portland-Metro Commencement inviting graduates and their supporters to celebrate their identities. Students will receive cords, and or stoles for the following identities: First Generation, Military Veterans, Asian Pacific Islander Desi American, Black Indigenous, Hispanic/Latino, International, Women in STEM and Allied Health, and LGBTQ+.
- **Summer Fun Series 2024** Planning of student events that utilize the beautiful summer weather and encourage students to participate in activities in the local community.

### Student Affairs

This term was another whirlwind of student engagement! April 1, 2024 Dr. Clark was appointed the Vice President of Student Affairs (no joke). The Dean of Students is now a standalone position to help the division better serve students at all our campuses. Dr. James accepted the interim Dean of Student position in May-welcome Dr. James! A full search will begin over the summer. The division participated in Admitted Students Day where we had the opportunity to congratulate those who were admitted to Oregon Tech and their families for a day of fun and learning on the Klamath Falls campus. The day was filled with excitement and sharing of our community and all that Oregon Tech offers!

Student Affairs also helped to survey our first year and senior students with NSSE (the National Survey of Student Engagement). Initial results showed we were on part with the response rate of 24.7% of those eligible to respond to this survey. A random drawing of 5 students who completed the survey were given a free sweatshirt from the Tech Nest, as a way to incentivize students to be responsive. Further results will be out this summer and shared across campus to help drive our efforts to meet student needs.

We also were busy this term supporting our ASOIT, and the committee formed to nominate our new student trustee members both a voting and on-voting member. The voting members will be Aaron Hill and the non-voting nominee will go through the Governor's process in July.

Student Affairs also hosted round 3 of Donuts with the Deans. This event happens during the eighth week of each term to provide the Dean of each college as well as the Dean of Students a chance to interact with students, and to encourage registration for the next term, with a sticker as an incentive for those who have completed registration. Often the stickers are a more powerful draw than the donuts!

Now as we work to finish out the 23/24 academic year on a high note, we are focused on helping our students complete their final projects, prepare for exams, and hosting and attending celebration of all our students accomplishments. We are also gearing up for the summer months which bring with them opportunities to welcome the incoming class of fall 2024 as well as summer camps and conferences and turn our attention to all the details to prepare for the upcoming academic year.

### Tech Nest Store

The Tech Nest Store continues to flourish and grow! Sales are still targeting as 400% increase compared to last year, fiscal end.

Grad gear has been fully stocked this year. and the team is enjoying interacting with students graduation needs and sales reflect this positive change. Grad sales are up a staggering 300% +-, compared to last year. One of the additional positive outcomes of having grad gear to sell is the conversations at the register. Students are more willing to talk and share when they are able to complete a purchase. I am hearing heart-warming stories of EMPLOYMENT. Our students are being offered jobs across all majors. They are positive and eager. Our students' future are bright!

The textbook adoption process is running smoothly from the bookstore end, with the goal to always have our students able to purchase textbooks on the first day of class!

New merchandise continues to arrive weekly, and with our lower prices, students, families and guests are happy and we are seeing the benefits!

The Tech Nest store is a great meet up spot in the College Union. Students, staff and faculty all flow through the Tech Nest for their on-campus needs. Our wide gate is open to sell merchandise and raise revenue, but our gate is also open to welcome all to Oregon Tech!

### Tech Opportunities Program (TOP)

Spring break saw the Tech Opportunities Program (TOP) take 11 students to Washington DC to take in the sights, sounds and history of our nation. These students, and two TOP advisors visited the nation's Capital learning about its rich history at no cost to the students. "This trip has made me more open to traveling and experiencing new things. I was very apprehensive to attend this trip because I have never done something like this before, but now, I am more open to new things and accepting of them because it is fun and educational" one TOP student reflected after their experience journeying across the country. From a guided tours in the Capitol Building and George Washinton's Mount Vernon estate to self-discovery though the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture and the National Portrait Gallery, the students gained greater insight on the Nation, founding and monumental figures, architecture, culture, movement of the

United States, and more. This trip not only opened doors of opportunities but also fostered a sense of unity and camaraderie among TOP students, creating memories that will last a lifetime. The impact the trip had on the 11 students who went is not to be discounted; in the words of one traveler "this trip already has influenced me in that there is so much to learn and do all over the world and that we need to seize those opportunities while we can because time only moves forward."



Picture: TOP poses with 11 students in front of the White House



Photo: TOP students visit WWII Memorial and stand in front of Oregon's pillar.



Photo: TOP students visit the national museum of African American History and Culture

The Tech Opportunities Program (TOP) hosted the annual Honors Banquet to celebrate the TOP students who achieved a 3.3 GPA or better fall/winter terms. The guest speaker, Odell Bizzell, provided a great message to students about how to continue to strive to do their best work and follow their passion in this world. Over half of TOP's 160 students received TOP Honors.



Photo: TOP Honors Banquet with guest speaker Odell Bizzell

Spring term, TOP promoted TOP Advisor Charlotte Waite to the Lead TOP Advisor. This gives Charlotte more responsibility around the budget, and administrative processes within TOP and recognizes her dedication and hard work to keeping this grant funded program running. TOP annually serves 160 students who are first generation, low income, have a disability, and who have an academic need. This program assists these students in earning about and utilizing resources across campus and in the classroom to succeed in their goal to earn a degree from Oregon Tech. At the end of finals week this year, TOP will honor 43 graduates at the TOP graduation banquet. TOP students and their families are invited to celebrate their success with their fellow TOP peers and be recognized by the TOP staff as well as campus administrators in this special annual event.

TOP is wrapping up the search to fill a 2<sup>nd</sup> Academic Specialist position and will be welcoming a new person to the team this summer, as well as saying ALOHA to Tammie Retherford. Tammie has served

as the Director of the Tech Opportunities Program for the 23-24 academic year and is moving on to a different role in the community. A search is underway to fill this role.

Throughout the 23-24 academic year, TOP connected over 1,774 times with students through hosting over 15 events, weekly TOP Tuesday drop-in hours, one-on-one advising, email communication, phone calls, and free to TOP students 1-2 credit classes.

Finally, as a TRiO grant funded program, TOP is again in a grant writing period. The grant application is due July 15, 2024, so we are all busy gathering data and writing new objectives and goals in the hope we are successful to continue this program through 2031.

### **Veterans Student Services**

The Student Veterans Program has been working diligently to support the local veteran community with multiple events off campus in the local Klamath Falls community. First, our students supported a disabled veteran by building out multiple pieces of their home garden. The veteran was unable to complete construction of their garden beds and chicken coop, and they are extremely grateful for making it possible to tend to their chickens and vegetable garden.

For Memorial Day, the SVP took over the setup of 40 full sized American flags along Main Street in Klamath Falls, completed their annual Veterans Memorial Park clean-up, and then provided logistical and safety support to the Memorial Day Parade.

# Student Affairs makes an impact through engagement, advocacy, & excellence

**Academic Quality & Student Success Committee** 

Presented by Dr. Mandi Clark

June 11, 2024

### **Student Affairs Mission:**



To affirm Oregon Tech's university-wide mission through opportunities for access, holistic development, and success.

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## Student Affairs' goals support the University Strategic Plan

	Pillar I: Student Success	Pillar II: Innovation	Pillar III:  Community	Pillar IV: Institutional Excellence
BE STUDENT- CENTERED				
MODEL DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, & COLLABORATION				
PRIORITIZE IMPROVING PROCESSES & SYSTEM	G AS			
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### Staff Position Updates



**Interim Dean of Students** 

**Dr. Jennifer James** 



**Lead TOP Advisor** 

**Charlotte Waite** 

Student Affairs Goal: ADVOCATE FOR

ENVIRONMENTS THAT IMPROVE STUDENT SUCCES

Pillar I: Student Success

ENVIRONMENTS THAT IMPROVE STUDENT SUCCES



Student Affairs Goal:
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## TOP goes to Washington D.C.





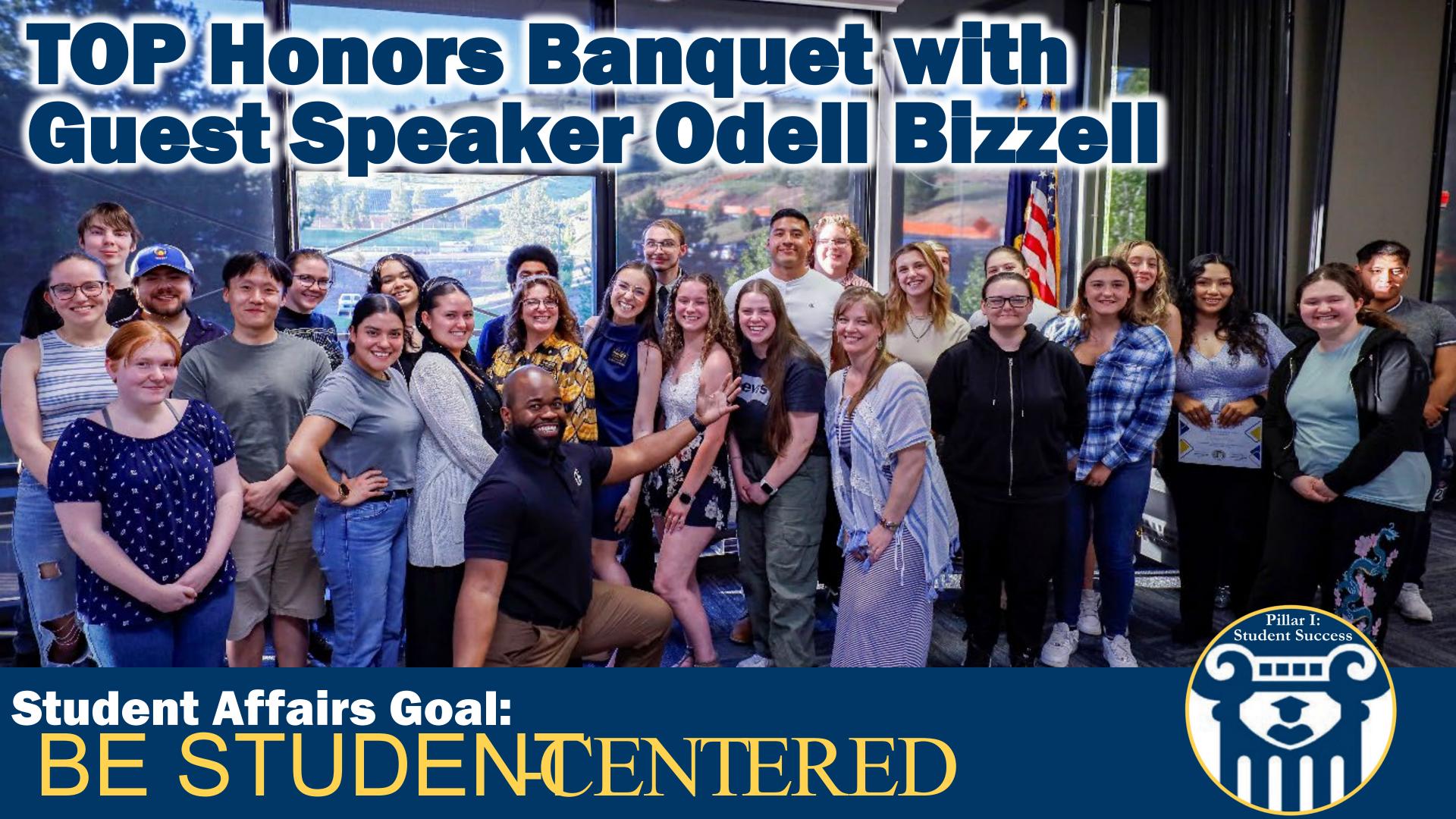


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## Providing Career Development

- Student Appointments: 243
  - 144 Resume Reviews (Initial and Advanced)
  - 62 Career Exploration/Job Search Strategies
  - 37 Interview Coaching and Mock Interviews
- Graduate Outcomes Survey: current 20.9% Response Rate
- NEW Summer Virtual Workshop Series





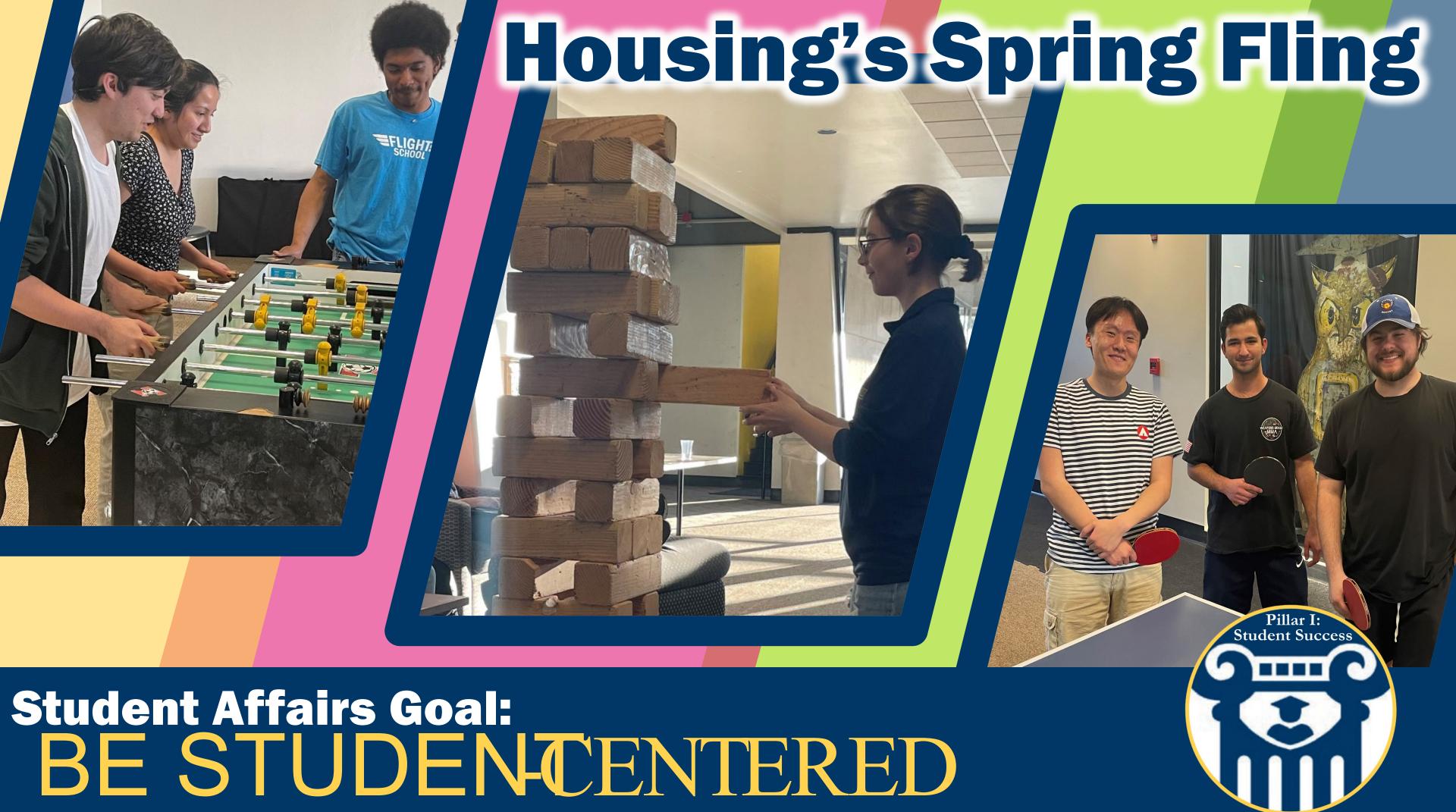


Housing's Spring Fling

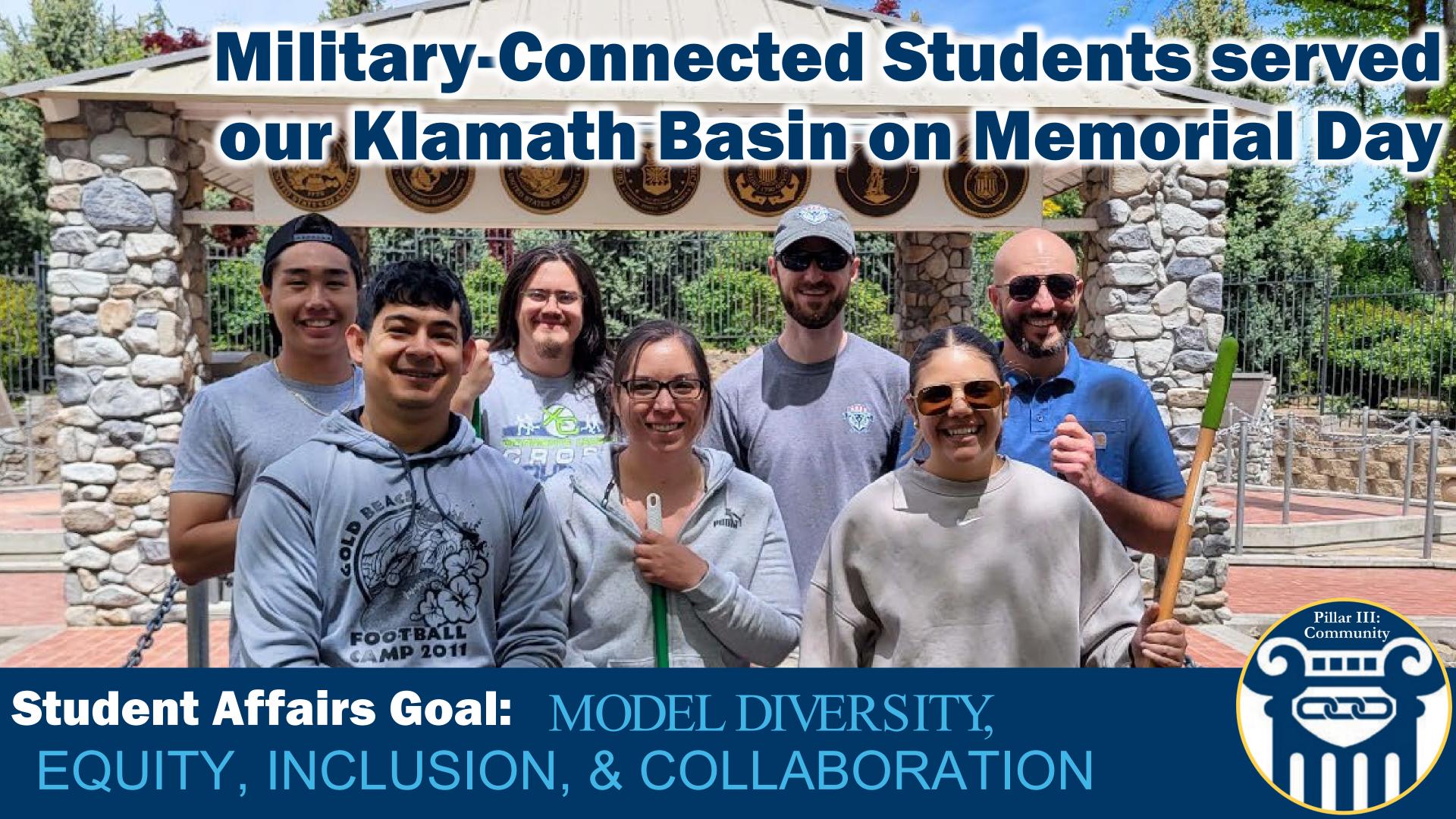




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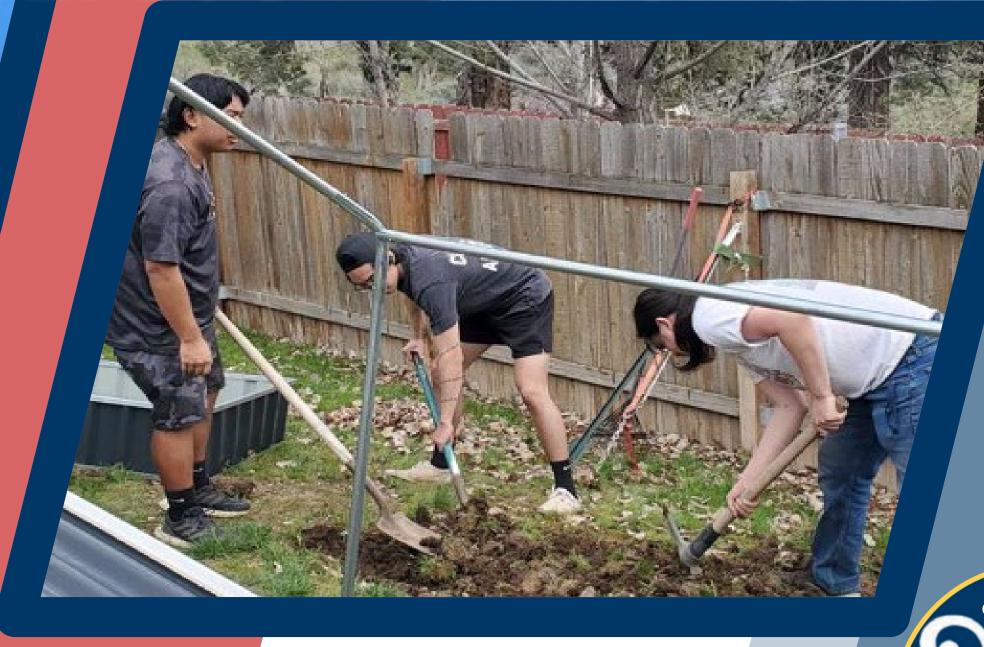






### Military-Connected Students served our Klamath Basin on Memorial Day





Student Affairs Goal: MODEL DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, & COLLABORATION





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KF SIB Celebrates Student





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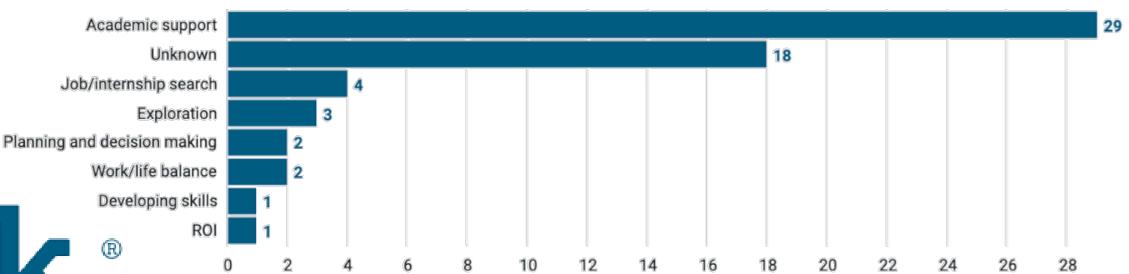
### PM SIB Celebrates Student Leaders



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Opt-in Reasons

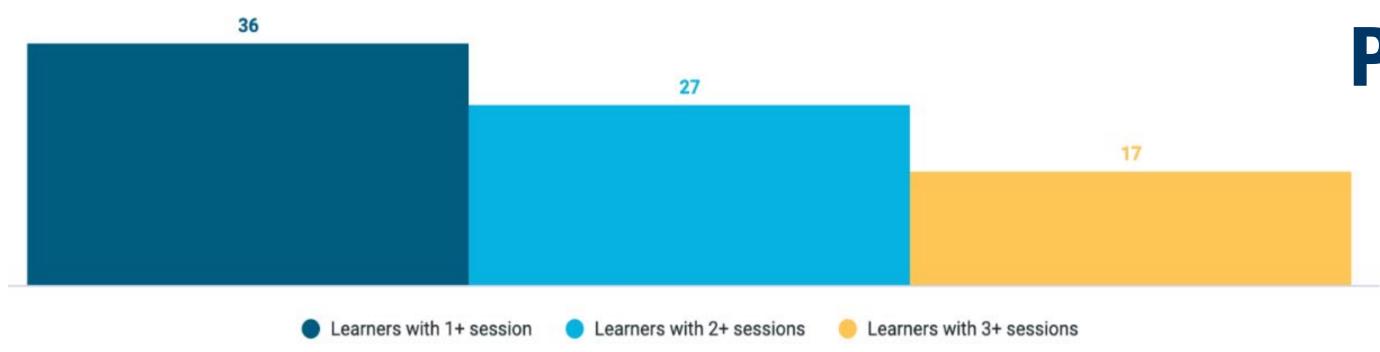
### PM Student coaching with



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Cumulative Coaching Sessions - Count

# Learners with 1+ 2+ 3+ coaching sessions



60 students
Project Launch:
May 1st

Pillar I: Student Success

### Student Affairs Goal: BE STUDENTERED

### **Expanding Basic Needs Offerings**

**Klamath Falls** 

**Portland-Metro** 



Food Pantry + Peanut Butter & Jelly Station.





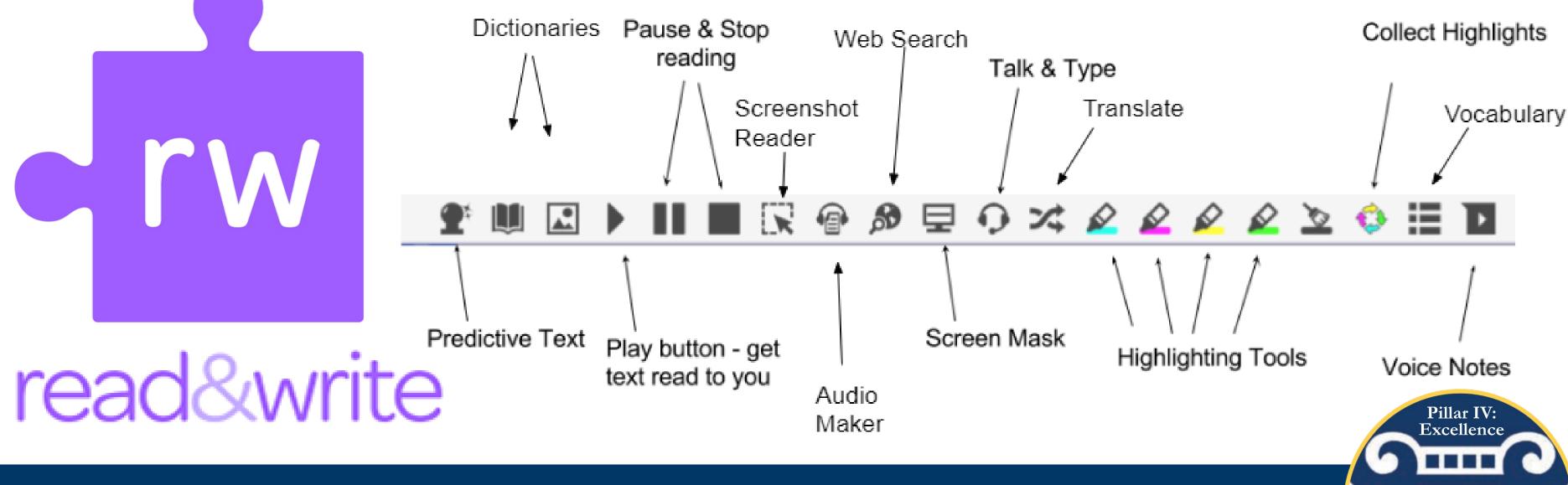
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# Disability & Testing Services provides tools for all students



**Student Affairs Goal:** 

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### New Housing Project is underway!



Student Affairs Goal: ADVOCATE FOR ENVIRONMENTS THAT IMPROVE STUDENT SUCCESS

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## **Expectations, Assumptions, and Reality:**

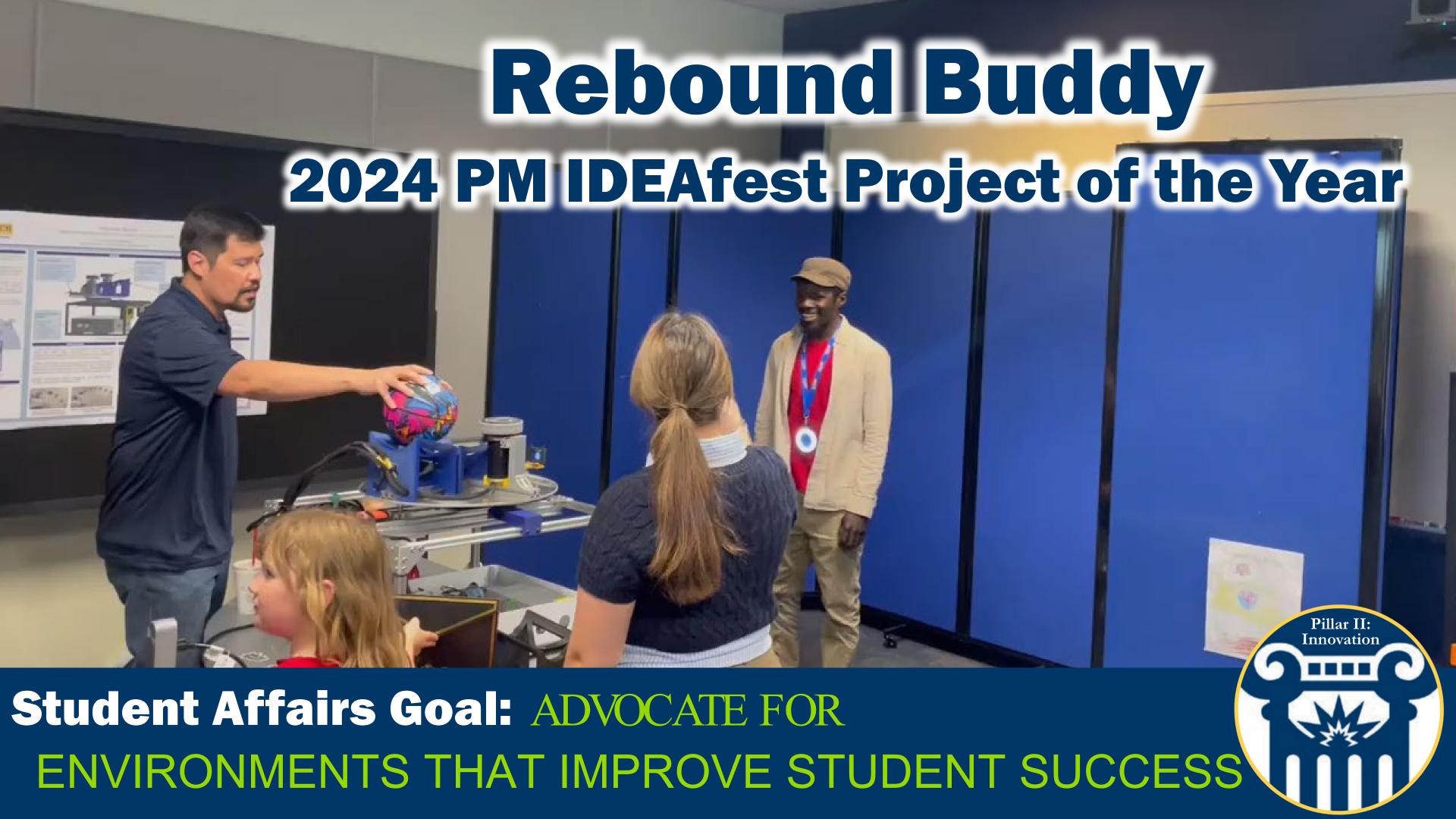
A Review of Portland-Metro Student Feedback

Presented by: Josie Hudspeth
Interim-Executive Director of
Portland-Metro Student Services

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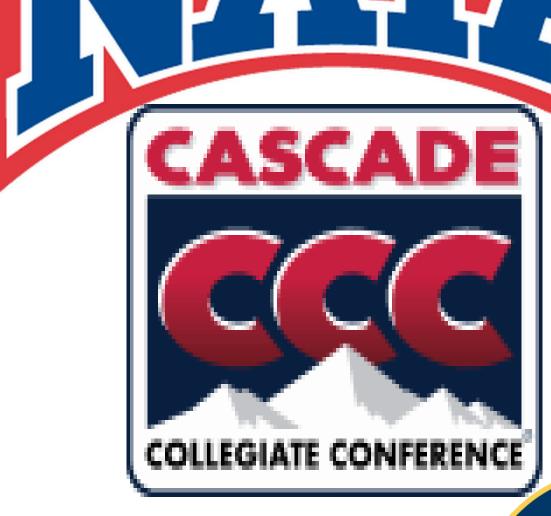






# HUSTLIN' OWLS FLY HIGH

All 13 Teams - NAIA Scholar Teams
87 Students - NAIA Scholar-Athletes
116 Students - Cascade Conference
All-Academic Team



Pillar III: Community

Student Affairs Goal:
BE STUDENTERED



#### **Student Affairs Mission:**

We collaborate with students, faculty, staff, and external communities to support students' persistence to graduation and professional success beyond graduation.



**Oregon Institute of Technology** 

# Veteran Student Services &

# Student Veterans Program SPRING 2024





### Community Service



Annual
Veterans Memorial
Park Clean Up



Disabled Veteran
Garden Build



Main Street
Flags
Installation

### Spring Term Kick-Off

Over 350 student attendees, a nearly 100% increase since our Fall Term event.

SVP was subsequently awarded the outstanding event award.



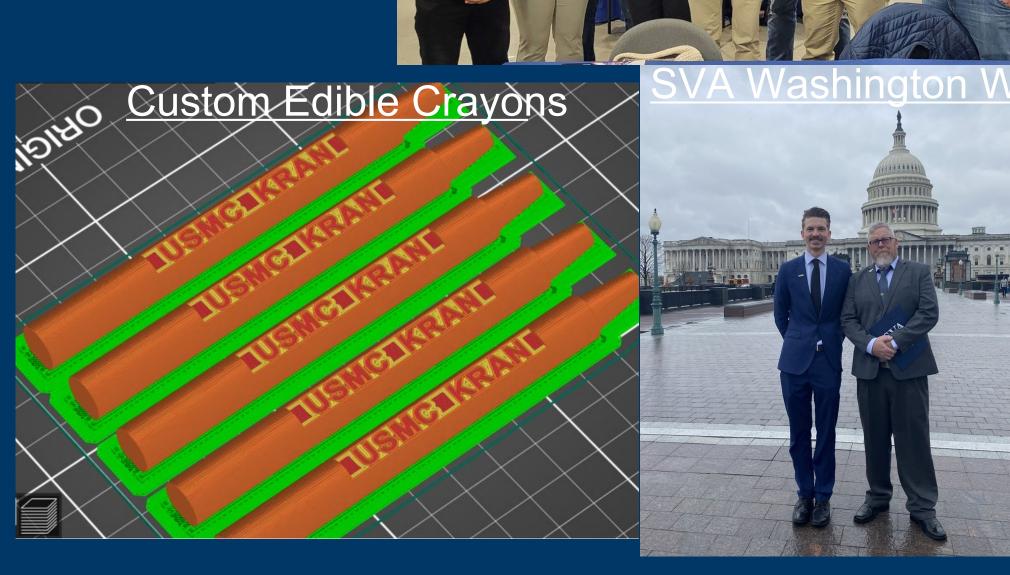


### Fundraising Success

As we work to remain proactive in our stewardship of our funds and improve efficiency in spending, we have leaned into fundraising to cover the cost of our annual student travel initiatives.

#### Give A Hoot Day:

The Student Veterans Program set up its first major time investment for the annual Give A Hoot Day fundraiser and was able raise nearly \$6,000 dollars in that single day through their bake sale and community donations.



**SVA National Conference** 

# Oregon Tech Veterans 23-24 Recap





### Stats Overview

Total Enrolled Veterans in 2023-24 - 194

Klamath Falls VRC Average Daily Attendance: 19

Portland Metro Average Daily Attendance: 3

Current Avg. GPA for VA Beneficiaries: 3.33 (up from 3.26 last year)

VA Work-Study Allowance:

17 total student workers

13 in Klamath Falls

4 in Portland Metro

~\$80,000 in VA Funded wages available



#### Vets Town Hall





### Veterans Day Parade



Portland
Metro
VRC
First Full Year

Veteran Student Services & the Student Veterans
Program were recognized with 3 awards at the annual Leadership & Service Awards:

Outstanding Student Program Event: Spring Term Kickoff

Outstanding Emerging Leader: Kendra Gilley, SVP Assistant Director

Outstanding Student Organization Advisor:

Don Stockton, Veteran Student Services Director

#### Awards



### Questions

