

Western Oregon University has been recognized nationally for its academic advising.

WOU is an active member of the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA)—the Global Community for Academic Advising—and has been recognized for its excellence for five consecutive years.

2012: Outstanding Advising Certificate of Merit: Dr. Steve Taylor

2011: Pacesetter Award: David McDonald, associate provost; and Outstanding Faculty Academic Advising Certificate of Merit: Dr. Bryan Dutton

2010: Gail Rola Memorial Award and 2010 Outstanding Advising Administrator: Karen Sullivan-Vance; Outstanding Faculty Academic Advising Certificate of Merit: Dr. Marita Cardinal

2009: Outstanding Faculty Academic Advising Certificate of Merit: Dr. Kevin Walczyk

2008: Outstanding Advising Certificate of Merit: Bobbi Weber; Outstanding New Advisor Certificate of Merit: Tamie Saffell; Outstanding Faculty Academic Advising Certificate of Merit: Dr. Michael Lemaster

Western Oregon University has also been recognized nationally for its **excellence and innovation.**

U.S. News and World

Report: Top Regional Universities in West (2010)
Education Trust: Best U.S. university for eliminating graduation gap for Latino students (2010)

Education Trust: Top ten university for eliminating the graduation gap for minority students (2010)

Teacher Education: American Association of State Colleges and Universities: Christa McAuliffe Award for Excellence (2010)

Communication

Studies: National Communications Association: Rex Mix Award for Excellence (2008)

American Sign Language:

Sorenson Communications: Sorenson VRS Interpreter Education Program Award of Excellence (2008)

Ackerman Hall is a sustainable live/learn facility that houses more than 300 students and features classrooms, study spaces and energy efficient functionalities. In 2012, it was selected as one of the **ten greenest residence halls** on the planet!



academic majors

- Music
- Philosophy
- Political science
- Psychology
- Public policy and administration
- Social health education*
- Social science
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Sport management
- Teacher education*: Biology, German, integrated science, Language arts, Mathematics, Physical education, Social science, Spanish
- Theatre arts
- Theatre arts: musical theatre
- Visual communication design

additional minors

- Aerospace studies (Air Force ROTC)
- Art history
- Building codes
- Chicano/a studies
- Earth history/biosphere
- Earth resources
- Earth system science
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental studies
- Film studies
- Forensic anthropology
- Forensic science (chemistry majors)
- Forensic science (non chemistry majors)
- French
- Gender studies
- Geology
- Geropsychology
- Health
- Homeland security and community preparedness
- Human biology
- Latin American studies
- Legal studies
- Medicinal chemistry and pharmacology: health and community
- Medicinal chemistry and pharmacology: natural science
- Military science (Army ROTC)
- Physical education
- Physical science
- Physics
- Planning
- Special education/rehabilitation counseling
- Sports leadership
- Studio art
- Studio/art history



- English/literature
- English/linguistics
- English/writing
- Exercise science
- Fire services administration
- Geography
- German studies
- Gerontology
- History
- Humanities
- Information systems
- Interdisciplinary studies*
- International studies
- Mathematics

*A minor is not required for these majors.