



INTRODUCTION: HIGHER EDUCATION IN OREGON

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A vision for Oregon postsecondary education

*“The Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) envisions a future in which **all Oregonians** -- and especially those whom our systems have underserved and marginalized – **benefit from the transformational power of high-quality postsecondary education and training.**”*

*“It is a future where **innovative colleges, universities, and training providers**, both public and private, help Oregonians to reach their highest potentials, **build trajectories to family-wage careers, foster a more just society, and break patterns of intergenerational poverty.**”*

*“It is a future where **postsecondary education fuels a resilient economy** by anticipating workforce needs and by fostering innovation, research, and knowledge. In the future we envision, all Oregonians enjoy well-lived lives thanks to the myriad benefits of postsecondary education and training...”*

From the HECC Strategic Framework, December 2017

State Postsecondary Education Structure

Public Board/Commission/Committee

State Agency

State Education Partners

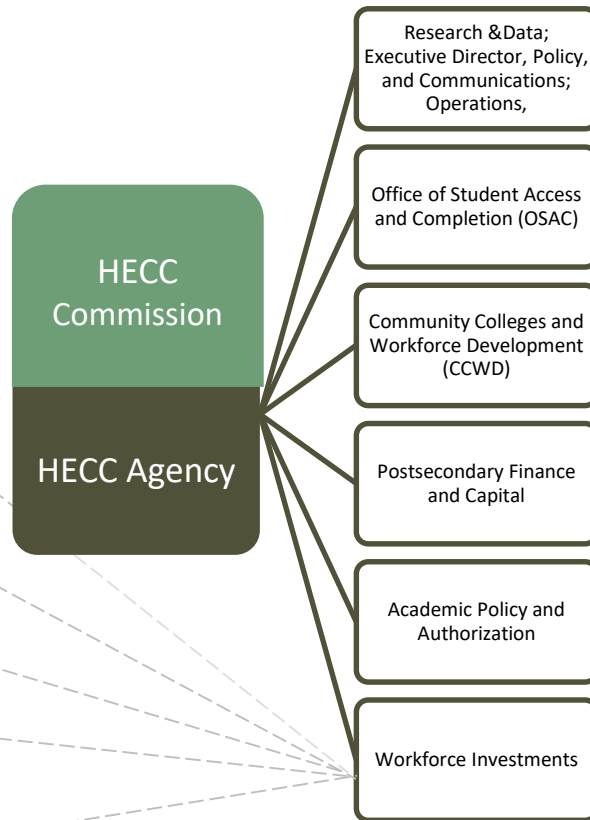
Chief Education Office

State Board of Education
Oregon Department of Education

Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
TSPC Agency

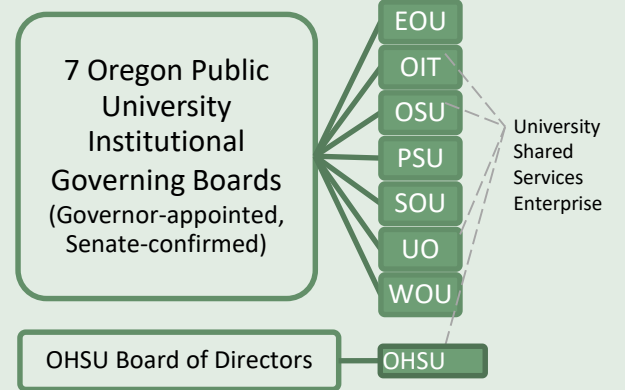
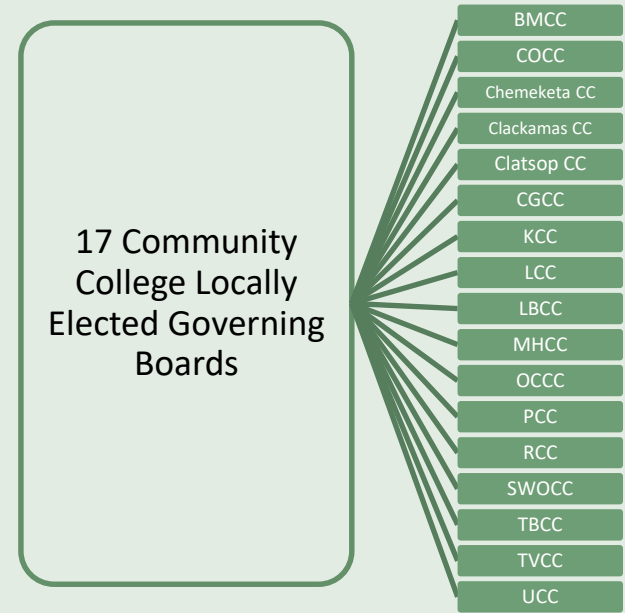
Higher Education Policy and Funding Coordination

- Responsibility across all sectors of higher education and workforce, public and private
- A clearly-defined focus on coordination, not governance

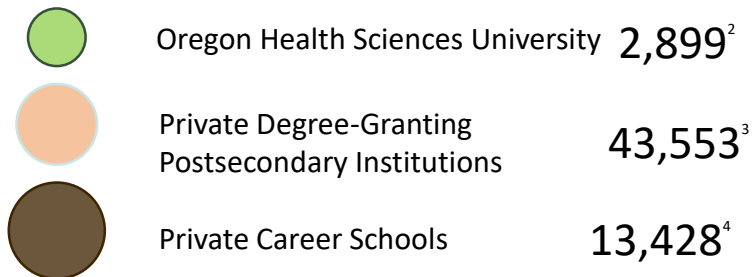
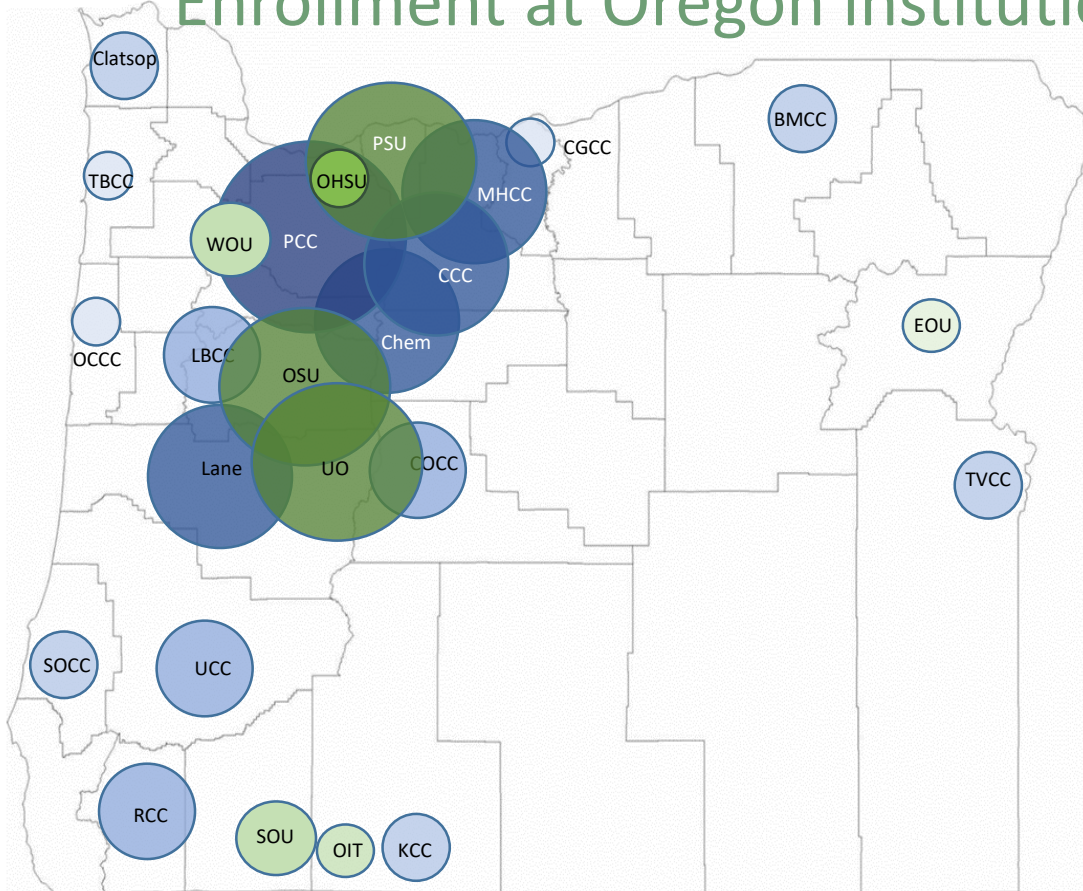


- Employment Department
- Oregon Workforce Investment Board
- Oregon Youth Conservation Corps Advisory Committee
- Oregon Volunteers Commission
- STEM Investment Council

Public Institution Governance



Enrollment at Oregon institutions



ENROLLMENT

academic year headcount (2015-16)¹

Community Colleges

78,775	PCC
29,822	Chem
28,215	Lane
27,475	MHCC
26,044	Clack
19,508	LBCC
16,292	COCC
16,236	RCC
14,542	UCC
8,311	SOCC
8,225	BMCC
6,719	TVCC
5,929	Klamath
5,357	Clatsop
3,046	CGCC
2,024	OCCC
1,989	TBCC

298,509*

Public Universities

38,798	PSU
37,468	OSU
27,477	UO
8,183	SOU
7,114	WOU
6,556	OIT
5,866	EOU

131,462



1. Total headcount may contain duplicates for students who attend multiple institutions during the same academic year.
2. Total headcount for OHSU is for Fall of 2016.
3. Total headcount for 20 of the 24 Oregon-based state regulated institutions who have reported data or reported it correctly for the 2015-16 academic year and institutions exempt from ongoing regulation (Oregon Alliance of Independent Colleges and Universities).
4. Total headcount for 107 of the 201 institutions who reported data or reported it correctly for the 2015-16 academic year.

Major Areas of HECC Responsibility

Setting a strategic vision

- Develop state postsecondary education goals and strategic planning to achieve the state's goals
- Make budgetary recommendations for state postsecondary institutions and programs

Authorizing postsecondary programs and degrees

- Approve mission statements at public universities
- Approve significant new academic programs at public universities and community colleges
- Authorize some private and out-of-state schools, and license all private career schools

Distributing state funding

- Adopt funding formulas that determine the distribution of state appropriations to community colleges, public universities, and students (state financial aid)
- Administer grants and contracts for other state appropriations

Administering financial aid, workforce, and other programs

- Operate state financial aid and outreach programs (Oregon Opportunity Grant, Oregon Promise, ASPIRE, and more)
- With OWIB and OED, manage state implementation of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
- Administer of Adult Basic Skills, GED, and other programs

Evaluating and reporting

- Data collection, analysis, research, and reporting across all sectors of higher education
- Conduct annual institutional evaluations for public universities

Four Strategic Action Areas Guide HECC's work to Achieve Four Key Goals

REPORTING to steer progress:

- Through advanced data analysis, evaluation, and reporting, HECC will build public and institutional commitment to meeting achievement goals and closing equity gaps.

FUNDING for success:

- HECC will develop an approach to state funding higher education and workforce that is directly linked to student success.

Streamlining Learner PATHWAYS:

- HECC will promote clear onramps to education and training, reduce barriers for transfer students, and link graduates with careers.

Expanding Opportunity through OUTREACH:

- HECC will develop a comprehensive outreach plan to ensure all Oregonians have access to affordable, relevant options for postsecondary training

Student
Success

Equity

Affordability

Economic and
Community
Impact

Key Postsecondary Education Needs and Themes – 2019 Legislative Session

Transform Lives, Build Economic mobility

- Ensure the economic, civic, and social well-being of our state and its residents, breaking long-term patterns of poverty, and transforming lives, families, and communities.

Eliminate Inequity and Ensure Opportunity for All

- Eliminate inequities in the postsecondary access and success of Oregonians will move Oregon forward, promoting success and resilience for all.

Protect Affordability of Public Colleges and Universities

- Protect and bolster the affordability of public postsecondary education for our state's residents of all economic backgrounds, especially for those who are most vulnerable to increased costs.

Ensure Oregonians can Navigate the Fast-Changing 21st Century Economy

- Ensure Oregonians can rely on postsecondary education and training at many points and in many ways throughout their lives to navigate the fast-changing economy.

Foster Smooth Pathways and Informed Investments of Time and Money

- Build cross-sector partnerships that smooth educational pathways, and ensure learners can make the best choices on their investment of money, time, and effort.

Reporting: Outcomes

HECC Statewide and Institutional Snapshots (Oregon Resident Students at Public Institutions, 2016-17)

- <https://www.oregon.gov/highered/research/Pages/snapshots.aspx>



IMPROVING RETENTION AND COMPLETION

Highlights of a few key initiatives



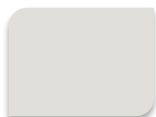
Opening the door: The Oregon Promise



Providing a better map: Guided Pathways, Career Pathways



Improving support: First Generation Student Success Grants



Funding what matters: Outcomes-Based Formula Distributions



Smoothing the journey: Oregon Transfer Compass