

University of Oregon Presentation

I. Information About the University

- Medium-sized campus
- Graduate programs and law school
- Known for liberal arts programs
- Other programs include business, journalism, and psychology
- Quarter system
- Over 200 clubs/ organizations on campus
- Transfer students are not required to live on campus

II. Transfer Requirements

- 24 semester units or 36 quarter units
- Course Requirements
 - 1 college-level writing class
 - No exceptions for admission
 - 1 college-level math
 - If you are pursuing a non-math heavy degree, you can ask to be admitted as an exception (write in the special circumstances section)
 - If you're admitted, math is not an exit requirement unless you need it for your major
 - 2 years of high school level second language or 2 semesters of college-level second language
 - Both years/ semesters need to be in the same language
 - If you haven't met this requirement, you can ask to be admitted as an exception (write about this in the special circumstances section)
 - If you're admitted, language becomes an exit requirement (regardless of major)
 - Note: The university rarely makes 2 exceptions for coursework (you need at least math or language done)

- You can let them know if you're in the process of taking the courses (e.g., applying in the fall and planning to take math in the spring)
- GPA
 - If you're not a resident of Oregon: 2.5 GPA
 - If you are a resident of Oregon: 2.25 GPA
- Two-year degree
 - Not required, but it is a plus
- Admissions are mainly trying to figure out if you're capable of college-level work and getting a bachelor's degree

III. Application Process

- If you meet the minimum requirements, you are guaranteed admission
- Application requirements
 - Essays
 - Not required
 - You can write a special circumstances statement if you want to put context for your transcript in the application
 - High school transcript
 - Only required if you earn less than 24 semester or 36 quarter credits OR if you're using it for the language requirement
 - SAT/ACT
 - Not required, but you can submit it if you'd like
 - Won't give you an advantage because you are guaranteed admission if you complete the transfer requirements
 - Maybe use it if you need it for a departmental scholarship, but it's unlikely that a department will require it
 - Letters of recommendation
 - Not required, but you can submit it if you'd like
 - It can be useful for the departmental scholarship process

- Special circumstances
 - Special circumstances can help admissions understand what happened on your transcript
 - Remember: the transcript is only numbers and raw data, so if you have a story to explain something, add it to the special circumstances
 - Not required, but if there's something you want to explain on your transcript, it's probably a good idea
 - E.g., I got Covid last spring and had trouble keeping up with school work, so my GPA was lower at that time
 - Remember: If you meet transfer requirements, you'll be admitted
- Deadlines
 - Fall applications
 - March 15
 - Priority registration
 - Must register by March 15 to receive scholarships
 - June 1
 - Admission for the fall quarter
 - You can apply for winter, spring, and summer quarters as well
 - The vast majority of applicants apply in the fall because...
 - Beginning of the academic year
 - The only time the scholarships are awarded
- Scholarships
 - General university scholarship
 - Diversity excellence scholarship
 - [Find information on the financial aid website](#)
 - A good database for national and regional scholarships
 - There are also departmental scholarships
 - Coordinate with departments to learn more
- Major declaration

- You can apply as an exploring student, and you can change majors once you're admitted
 - The university's top priority is making students graduate, so they will help you with finding a good track for graduation
- Tip: If you know what your major is, you should reach out to the academic department
 - Help you learn about scholarships, internships, etc
 - Get's you on the department's radar as someone who's interested in doing well
 - Helps you understand if you're a good fit for the program
 - Students are very much encouraged to make connections
 - Brian can help with this step

IV. Course Equivalency

- IGETC doesn't necessarily transfer to junior year
 - However, if you don't qualify as a Junior, you will be very close
- [Use the transfer equivalency tool on the university's website](#)
 - Look to see how your coursework will transfer
- After you apply, you'll get access to the university's evaluation of formal credit

V. After Admission

- Orientation (IntroDUCKtion)
 - Opportunity to meet with an advisor
 - See what requirements are met and needed
 - Create a plan
 - Advising happens online in summer (for fall students)
 - Or before signing up for classes for other quarters
 - Orientation is available in person and online this year
 - Helpful for looking for opportunities on campus
 - Helpful for finding community on campus

- Opportunities
 - University Philosophy: make sure students have great opportunities in and out of the classroom
 - Students are encouraged to take advantage of opportunities
 - Remember: these options are for all students, not just freshman
 - Opportunities include:
 - Research
 - Internships
 - Study abroad
 - Help to make connections in the community and on campus
 - Round out education
 - Extra experiences will help students thrive in employment or future education

VI. Q&A

- When is the right time to transfer?
 - Sometimes a two-year degree is a wise decision
 - Sometimes students want to go sooner
 - E.g., Architecture major is a five-year program, so going sooner rather than later for architecture might be a good path to help you save time
 - The transfer team wants you to apply when and if it's a good fit
- Can admitted students take courses at other schools?
 - Yes, dual enrollment is permitted
 - During all quarters
 - If you need another lower-division course, you can take a course from a different university
 - Some students take online community college courses to fulfill requirements
 - As long as the course(s) taken at another institution is accredited, it can be added to the transcript

- How do I send my transcript?
 - Send electronically from sending institution
 - The quickest and easiest method
 - Send paper transcript in a sealed envelope
- What are the opportunities for nontraditional or older students?
 - Nontraditional student union
 - Help with childcare or veteran benefits
 - Transfer social events
- How will GPA be calculated for admission?
 - All classes on the transcript will be used
 - You will only receive credit for the first time you take a course
 - I.e., if you take the same course twice, you only get the credit once
 - Note: Most schools leave old classes on transcripts
 - Don't always assume that if you retake a class, the old grade will be removed
- How will high school transcripts be used?
 - Only college grades are considered if you've completed 24 semester credits or 36 quarter credits
 - High school transcripts will be used if you've completed less
 - You can use your high school transcript for proof of language requirement
 - If you want, you can explain poor high school grades in the special circumstances section
- What is your policy for incomplete classes on a transcript?
 - Incomplete or withdrawal
 - Not a problem for admission (unless it's a required course for admission)
- What is the maximum number of transferable units?
 - 124 quarter credits
 - 45 of the last 60 credits have to be taken at the University of Oregon to graduate with a degree from the university
 - You can work with an academic advisor for clarity and planning

- Are transcripts admitted before or after the application?
 - Transcripts can be sent before or after the application
 - Admission decisions won't be made if you have more than 1 term of outstanding work
 - E.g., if you're applying for fall 2025, you need to complete the fall 2024 semester before an admission decision will be made

VII. Announcements

- Webinar for transfer students next Tuesday
 - Send an email to be signed up
 - The link is available if you're on the mailing list
 - The webinar will be recorded and posted on the transfer website
- There will be a webinar for community college counselors and advisors
 - Date TBA (Probably in about a month)
 - Send an email to be signed up
- Visit the campus
 - Visitors center
 - Student tours (led by current transfer student)
 - Reach out and coordinate with Brian before your visit to connect
- Set up a one-on-one meeting
 - Meeting one-on-one can be very helpful for transfers because they have individual needs
- Contact
 - [Brian Stanley](#) (gave the presentation)
 - Feel free to call, email, or set up a zoom meeting
 - [Moriah Dunning](#)
 - Regional counselor
 - Opportunity to table or speak in person