

Status Report: New and Existing Academic Program Reviews and Professional Accreditations in Progress

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS IN DEVELOPMENT OR REVIEW

Proposals for new academic programs are initiated by faculty in their academic unit and proceed through the following stages:

- Stage 1.** Proposal preparation at the unit and college levels.
- Stage 2.** Review and approval at the unit and college levels.
- Stage 3.** University internal review and approval process. Proposals are reviewed by the 1) Budget and Fiscal Planning Committee, 2) Graduate Council (for new graduate programs only), 3) Faculty Senate Curriculum Council, 4) Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 5) Faculty Senate, 6) Provost, and 7) Board of Trustees.
- Stage 4.** External review and approval process. Proposals are reviewed by the Statewide Provosts Council and approved by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). Once this review and approval process is complete, the university provides notification of the program to the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), the university’s accrediting body.

The table below summarizes academic programs in development, review, or slated for termination as of May 27th, 2022. Changes since the May 27th report to the committee are shown in blue text:

College	Program Name	Type of Program
Stage 1: Proposal Preparation		
College of Engineering	BS in Engineering Design and Innovation	New Undergraduate Degree Program in Corvallis
College of Business	MS in Supply Chain and Logistics Management	New Graduate Degree Program in Corvallis
College of Engineering	BS in Mechanical Engineering	Extend Undergraduate Degree Program to Cascades
Stage 2: Unit and College Review and Approval		
None		
Stage 3: Pending University Internal Approval		
None		

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College of Education	BS in Teaching	Extend Undergraduate Degree to OSU Corvallis
Stage 4: Pending Statewide Provosts Council Recommendation		
College of Public Health and Human Sciences	BS in Nursing	New Undergraduate Degree Program to be delivered at OSU-Cascades
Stage 4: Pending Higher Education Coordinating Commission Approval		
College of Science	BS in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	Extend Undergraduate Degree to OSU-Cascades
Stage 4: Pending Northwest Commission on Colleges and University (NWCCU) Approval		
None		

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The following table summarizes new options, minors, and certificates approved by the NWCCU since the last report to the committee.

College	Program Name	Type of Program	Date Approved NWCCU
Honors College	Design for Social Impact Certificate	Undergraduate Certificate	June 23, 2022
College of Engineering	Healthcare Systems Engineering Option	Undergraduate Option	June 9, 2022
College of Engineering	Industrial Automation Engineering Option	Undergraduate Option	June 9, 2022
College of Liberal Arts	Social Service and Advocacy	Undergraduate Minor	June 9, 2022
College of Public Health and Human Sciences	General Public Health Option	Undergraduate Option	May 11, 2022
College of Forestry	Wood Product Sales Minor	Undergraduate Minor	May 11, 2022
College of Liberal Arts	Indigenous Studies Minor	Undergraduate Minor	May 11, 2022
College of Business	Sports Business Option	Undergraduate Option	May 11, 2022

INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITATION

Oregon State University is accredited by the NWCCU, one of seven institutional accreditation agencies in the U.S. recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. In July 2019, the Board of Commissioners of the NWCCU reaffirmed OSU's institutional accreditation through 2026. In April 2022 OSU submitted the Mid-Cycle Evaluation Report and hosted a virtual site visit. As part of that process, the Commission requested OSU:

- Submit an Ad Hoc Report with visit spring 2023, addressing Recommendation 1: Spring 2022 Mid-Cycle Review, and Recommendation 2: Spring 2019 Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability.

The following is OSU's institutional accreditation evaluation schedule, based on the NWCCU's 2020 Standards for Accreditation and Eligibility Requirements:

- Annual Report – due on August 15 of each year
- Progress Report – due Fall 2020
- Mid-Cycle Evaluation (Year Three Report) – April 25 & 26, 2022
- Ad Hoc Report with site visit – Spring 2023
- Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review (PRFR – Year Six Report) – Spring 2025
- Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness (EIE – Year Seven Report) with visit – Spring 2026

PROGRAM ACCREDITATIONS

In addition to the institutional accreditation, individual academic and administrative programs may hold a specialized or professional accreditation that is evaluated on a regular cycle by the respective accrediting body.

Reviews completed the end of AY 2022, and in progress or scheduled for AY 2023 are summarized in the tables below.

Accreditation Reviews and Site Visits Completed AY 2022		
Unit	Program/Unit and Accrediting Body	Status
Administrative Units - Specialized and Professional Accreditations		
Academic Program Accreditations		
College of Forestry	Forest Engineering; Forest Engineering-Civil Engineering; Forestry [Society of American Foresters (SAF)]	Site Visit Completed Spring 2022; awaiting SAF report/approval
College of Public Health and Human Sciences	Master of Athletic Training [Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE)]	Self-study Spring 2022; Approved, 10 years

Accreditation Reviews and Site Visits in Progress or Scheduled AY 2023		
Unit	Program/Unit and Accrediting Body	Status
Administrative Units - Specialized and Professional Accreditations		
Carlson College of Veterinary Medicine	Lois Bates Acheson Veterinary Teaching Hospital [American Animal Hospital Association, (AAHA)]	April 2023
Carlson College of Veterinary Medicine	Oregon Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory [American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians, (AAVLD)]	2023
Division of Student Affairs	Counseling and Psychological Services [International Association of Counseling, (IACS)]	Personnel Update Report accepted Spring 2021; next review summer 2022
Division of Student Affairs	Counseling and Psychological Services [American Psychological Association, (APA)]	Fall 2022 or Winter 2023
Student Health Services	Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, INC. [Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC)]	October 2022

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Academic Program Accreditations		
College of Education	Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation [Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP)]	Fall 2022
College of Science/Chemistry (Track One)	American Chemical Society [American Chemical Society (ACS)]	August 2022 report submitted: ACS reviews January 2023