

Education Ranks Second Nationally Among Publics, Special Ed Retains No. 3 Position

U.S. News Says UO College 'Most Selective Public'

The University of Oregon's graduate program in education ranks second nationally among public graduate schools of education, and seventh among all public and private institutions in the latest "U.S. News and World Report" annual survey of top graduate programs. This year's rankings are the highest ever received by the UO College of Education.

The college also ranked as the third highest in the quality of students it attracts, measured by total Graduate Record Exam (GRE) scores—outranking Harvard, Stanford, Pennsylvania, UCLA and Michigan education programs. This year's rankings recognize the UO college as the most selective public college of education among nationally ranked graduate institutions of education for 2003-2004.

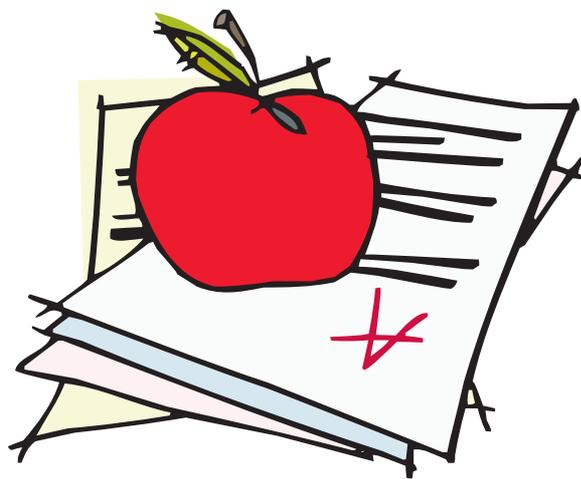
For the fourth year in a row, the report also lists the UO's graduate program in special education as third among the best programs in the nation.

This year's rise in overall rankings reflects the excellence of UO education faculty, who again rank as the No. 1 most-productive educational research faculty in the nation. Federal grant-supported research activity generates an average of \$1.4 million per faculty member in the college.

This research contributes to the ability of school systems and communities nationwide to deliver needed supports and services to children, families and professionals, according to Dean Marty Kaufman. More than 1,000 schools in 18 states

utilize research and outreach services produced by Education faculty.

In terms of overall competitive research funding, only three



institutions—UCLA, Columbia and NYU—received more research funding than UO.

"This is an extraordinary achievement, particularly under these times of tight budgets," says President Dave Frohnmayer. "This is an important recognition of the outstanding faculty and students at the College of Education."

In last year's U.S. News & World Report rankings, Education ranked fourth among public schools and ninth among public and private institutions.

Magazine Lists Center Among Best in U.S.

By Ross West

Entrepreneur Magazine has ranked the University of Oregon's Lundquist Center for Entrepreneurship No. 1 in alumni satisfaction and No. 2 by peer school program directors in the publication's regional rankings of collegiate entrepreneurship programs.

Nationally, the UO program ranked in the top four percent of the 700 entrepreneurship programs identified by the magazine.

"The UO was one of only two universities in this category to be ranked in the top ten by both of those groups," says Randy Swangard, Lundquist Center director. "This ranking acknowledges our innovative students and faculty as well as the commitment the Northwest business community has made to support entrepreneur education."

The study's compilers took into account more than 30 criteria, including course

offerings, teaching and research faculty, business-community outreaches, research centers and institutes, degrees and certificates offered, and faculty and alumni evaluations. In addition, almost 300 colleges and universities responded to surveys designed to allow program directors, faculty and alumni to rank their own entrepreneurship programs against the competition.

"Entrepreneur Magazine's article breaks down the various types of entrepreneurship programs and advises students how to choose one that meets their needs," says Swangard.

The Top 100 list can be found in the April issue of Entrepreneur Magazine, now on newsstands, or online at www.entrepreneur.com/topcolleges.

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Employees Given SARS Information

Even though no cases of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) have been diagnosed locally, university officials are taking precautions to help protect employees and students from the new disease.

"Though the illness has been primarily confined thus far to Asian nations and parts of Canada, many U.S. institutions, including the University of Oregon, are beginning to screen individuals who manifest certain symptoms and have either been to those areas or been in contact with people from those regions," says Linda King, Human Resources director.

In an April 4 memo distributed to faculty and staff, King urged employees and students who want to learn more about SARS to visit safetyweb.uoregon.edu/SARS.htm.

"You may also want to bookmark this web page, which will be updated as more information becomes available in the coming days and weeks," she wrote. "We will also send information by email should the need occur."

University Health Center officials and university leaders will continue to monitor the development of SARS closely, King said, noting they "will take all appropriate measures to ensure the health and safety of our faculty, staff and students."

Faculty and staff with questions not answered by information on the web page may call King at 6-2966. Students should contact the University Health Center, 6-2770.

For more information, see the University Health Center site, darkwing.uoregon.edu/~uoshc/; the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, www.cdc.gov/ncidod/sars; and the World Health Organization, www.who.int/csr/sars/en/.

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ON THE MOVE

Martin Smith, Intercollegiate Athletics, will become director of men's and women's track and field and cross country following the 2002-03 season. Head coach of men's track for four seasons, Smith will add supervision of the women's and cross country programs upon the retirement this spring of head coach **Tom Heinonen** after 27 years at the helm. This will mark the first time at the University of Oregon that one person has overseen both men's and women's programs. With the merger, Oregon becomes the eighth of nine Pac-10 track and cross country programs under the direction of a single individual.

Susan Brown has been appointed executive assistant to Vice President **Rich Linton**, Research and Graduate Studies. She will continue to provide management assistance with the financial operations of the Research office, including the indirect cost budget. However, she will take on the additional responsibilities of the office that were previously performed by Carol White who continues as executive assistant to Vice President **Lorraine Davis**, Academic Affairs. Contact Brown at 6-2044; e-mail <suebrown@oregon.uoregon.edu>.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Andr  Djiffack, Romance Languages, spent winter term in residence at the Oregon Humanities Center as the recipient of a 2002-03 Humanities Center Research Fellowship after **Kathleen Nicholson**, Art History, had to decline her award.

Barbara Sutton, Sociology doctoral degree candidate, is one of 10 recipients awarded Woodrow Wilson National Dissertation Grants in Women's Studies. A 1997 UO alumna originally from Argentina, Sutton will receive \$3,000 to support research-related travel, data work and supplies as she completes her dissertation, tentatively titled "Body Politics and Women's Consciousness in Argentina."

Libraries Forced to Cut Serials

By Anna Brinkmann

The UO Libraries are about to become "serial killers."

This summer, "we know we need to cut at least \$400,000, or roughly 12 percent of the total allocation for serials, out of our subscription base for journals and magazines, and we may have to cut as much as \$600,000," says Mark Watson, associate university librarian for collections and access. "But for now, we're holding that \$200,000 in reserve, waiting to see what the 2004 budget will look like."

While the current economic downturn may play a small role in the predicament, the real culprit is the 10 percent increase in the subscription rates of most serials each year.

"We'd need an additional \$300,000 every year, over and above what we already get, just to *not* have to cancel," he says.

Luckily, the librarians will have help in sorting through and choosing which serials to keep, and which to cancel, from each department in the university.

"All faculty should communicate their concerns and priorities to the librarians," says Daniel Pope, History who is Library Committee chair.

Each department has been given a dollar amount, by which their serials must be reduced. That amount is a percentage of what the UO Libraries currently spend on

Nominations for Faculty Posts Due

Nominations of faculty members for election to the University Senate and other elected standing committees and councils must be received no later than **5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 23**. A summary of positions available for the 2003-2004 academic year is available online at <darkwing.uoregon.edu/~uosenate/dirsen023/nominate023.html>. Send nominations to Faculty Secretary Gwen Steigelman, Academic Affairs, in 207 Johnson Hall, or via e-mail, <gwens@oregon>. A candidates list and voting instructions will be sent the week of April 28 and posted on the nominations web page. Voting will be conducted **May 2-11** using Duck Web.

serials that cover their discipline.

"The bulk of the money that we spend on serials is concentrated in the sciences, so they have the highest dollar amount to cut," says Watson.

Pope notes that there are some obvious choices—for instance, where there are copies in both the Jaqua Law library and the Knight Library, duplicates should go. Also, journals available for a more reasonable price online may be converted to that format.

But the rest of the decisions are likely to be difficult.

"Since the early '90s, we've already cut about \$850,000, or 2,400 titles. We hope this will be the last big cancellation project we'll have to go through," says Watson. "After this, we plan to transition to a mode of annual review and adjustment to our serial subscriptions."

For more information, consult the UO Libraries' web site, Serials Review 2003, at <libweb.uoregon.edu/colldev/review/serial.html>.

Anna Brinkmann is a student reporter for *Inside Oregon*.

UO Receives Record Applications, but State Funding Could Limit Enrollment

By Pauline Austin

More than 10,000 freshmen have applied to attend the University of Oregon next fall, a three percent increase over last year.

"This is the largest, best qualified and most diverse group of students ever to apply to the UO," says Martha Pitts, Admissions director.

The UO raised admissions standards this year to manage increasing enrollment. Oregon applicants now must have completed 16 college preparatory courses and have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.25 to be guaranteed admission.

The number of students funded by the state, and classroom space constraints, have limited the university's ability to admit applicants below the guaranteed admission level, Pitts says. About 600 students have been denied admission, with half of those being Oregon residents.

Law Students Donate 4,680 Pro Bono Hours

For the second year in a row, UO law students volunteered more hours to public service than did students from any other Oregon law school. The Oregon State Bar recognized the *pro bono* service at a recent ceremony in Portland.

James McCurdy, a Law second-year student, also received an award for 424 hours of service to the Los Angeles Public Defender's office, the most by any law student in Oregon.

The UO students contributed 4,680 *pro bono* hours in 2002—equivalent to 585 working days. They spent that time working with crime victims and assisting senior citizens and the poor.

At law clerk wages, that's more than \$56,000 worth of legal services given free to clients of Lane County Legal Aid and 46 other agencies in six Oregon cities and nine states, according to Jane Steckbeck, Law career services assistant director.

"The students recruited to the UO law school come with a high level of commitment to public service—over half of them go into public service jobs when they graduate," she says.

Applicants not meeting the new criteria receive a comprehensive review that considers academic factors, a required essay and special circumstances. The most qualified Oregon residents who were not admitted have been placed on a waiting list for fall term and will be admitted for winter quarter. If state funding improves, or fewer students than expected send in deposits to confirm their enrollment, those students will be able to enroll in the fall, says Pitts.

The university's target for fall is to enroll 3,000-3,100 new freshmen, about 200 fewer than last year. The UO anticipates total fall enrollment to reach 20,500, up from this year's 20,044 students.

The university currently educates more than 1,000 Oregon residents for which it receives no state funding.

Pauline Austin is Media Relations director.

SEVIS Restricts International Scholars

By Dave Goldberg

The drive to create a new database for keeping track of international students and visiting scholars has recently received some media attention for its many system slow-downs. While the bugs in the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) are being worked out, there are other aspects of SEVIS that are of immediate concern to the nearly 1,600 international members of the University of Oregon community.

"The system has removed a certain amount of flexibility," says Ginny Stark, International Student and Scholar Services director, making it more important than ever to be sure one is in full compliance with federal immigration code.

For example, she says, dropping a course may jeopardize an international student's visa status.

According to the newly created Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, international students must maintain full time status during their entire stay in the United States, except during

the annual vacation period. There are some limited exceptions, particularly in cases of sickness or academic difficulties.

"However, if a student wants to withdraw or drop below full time status," Stark stresses, "they must come see an international student adviser first."

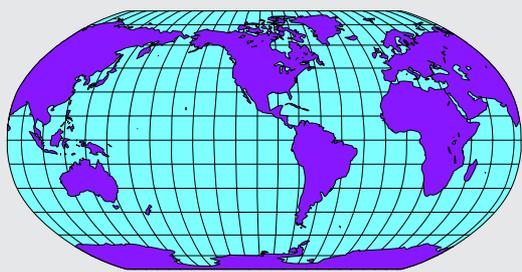
Also, the requirement that all colleges and universities have their international students and visiting scholars entered into the SEVIS database by Aug. 1 means that some visiting professors and researchers may need to have

new visa documents issued by the university. Later this spring, Stark says the International Programs will notify

those faculty who are affected and will instruct them on what they need to do.

In the wake of these adjustments, Stark encourages international students and visiting scholars who have questions regarding SEVIS to call International Programs at 6-3206 or to visit the office in 330 Oregon Hall.

Dave Goldberg is a student reporter for *Inside Oregon*.



Murals Grace SRC Hallway: Seven murals by Portland artist William Park have been mounted in the Student Recreation Center's main hallway. The large impressionistic oil paintings depicting various sports activities were acquired under the state-mandated "Percent for Art" program, which requires that not less than one percent of the direct construction budget for public projects be allocated to the purchase and installation of art. Dennis Munroe, PARS director, invites all members of the campus community to view these colorful art works.

Swifts to Return to Agate Chimney

Though not quite as famous as the swallows returning to California's Capistrano, thousands of Vaux's Swifts will be making their annual migratory stop-over at the university's Agate Hall this month, and the Lane County Audubon Society invites one and all to its "Welcome Back Swifts" event. At sunset on Friday, April 18, and again a week later, on April 25, birdwatchers can assemble to see and learn about the swarms of Vaux's Swifts entering the Agate Hall chimney to roost for the night. "Look for the Audubon banner," says Maeve Sowles, Environmental Health and Safety. Visitors should park on Agate Street or on East 17th or East 18th avenues. For information, call 6-2867.

Recycle Those Old Athletic Shoes

By Julie Lauderbaugh

You can become the Campus Recycling Program's "sole-mate" by turning in your old athletic shoes this spring.

Participants—with the National Recycling Coalition (NRC) and Nike—in the first Reuse-A-Shoe national campaign, Campus Recycling is teaming up with the City of Eugene, Lane County and BRING Recycling to collect more than 5,000 pairs of used athletic footwear by June.

Regardless of condition, all athletic shoes, including leather ones, are sought. They will be recycled into Nike Grind material, a substance used for field and turf sports surfaces.

Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to drop off athletic shoes with no metal parts at collection sites in the EMU and at the Student Recreation Center and at other designated campus locations.

Eugene is one of 26 communities that have joined the Reuse-A-Shoe initiative across the country. In exchange for participation, the NRC provides technical assistance for affiliates while Nike manages the logistics of picking up shoes from each recycling center.

For information, call Karyn Kaplan, Campus Recycling manager, at 6-1545.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Linda F. Ettinger, Applied Information Management, is recipient of a \$15,000 Alfred P. Sloan Foundation grant to support the development of three new courses in the IS:AIM master's degree curriculum. Two add content options to the program electives. The third course, "Teaching in a Virtual Environment," is designed to foster faculty success and satisfaction in online teaching. Courses are scheduled to be available in AIM during the 2003-04 academic year.

John Reynolds, Architecture emeritus, has been named a fellow of the American Institute of Architects, the only Oregonian among the 62 architects in the 2003 class of fellows. The investiture ceremony will be May 9 at the Salk Institute in La Jolla, Calif.

IN PRINT/ON DISPLAY

Steven Rendall, Romance Languages emeritus, has several translations currently in press: *Toward a New Contract for Africa (Vers un nouveau contrat pour l'Afrique)*, by Hakim Ben Hammouda; *Politics and the Illusion of Cultural Identity (L'illusion identitaire)*, by Jean-François Bayart (London: Hurst); *Morals and Politics (Moral und Politik)*, by Vittorio Hösle (Notre Dame); *Lethe: The Art and Critique of Forgetting (Lethe: Kunst und Kritik des Vergessens)*, by Harald Weinrich (Cornell); *The Red Empire: Moscow-Beijing, 1919-1989 (L'Empire rouge: Moscou-Pekin, 1919-1989)*, by Patrick Lescot (Ecco/HarperCollins); and *The Marquise/Marquis de Banneville (La Marquise/Marquis de Banneville)*, by the Abbé de Choisy (MLA Texts and Translations Series). His short story, "Monsieur Marty," will appear shortly in the *Southern Humanities Review*.

ON THE PODIUM

Tom Hager, UO Press, spoke on a panel celebrating the 50th anniversary of the discovery of the structure of DNA at the recent annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Denver.

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IN BRIEF

Order Regalia Now

Faculty members planning to wear academic regalia during Spring Commencement on June 14 must order their regalia by Friday, May 16. Tarry past that deadline and you'll be charged an additional \$20 for special shipping and handling charges—and departments that pay for their faculty's regalia rental costs will not cover this extra charge for your tardiness.

If your department is paying for your regalia, provide a purchase order and index number. Orders for multiple faculty members may be placed on a single purchase order.

With each order, include your name, degree, the university and city from which your degree was conferred, your height and the department phone number.

To buy your own caps, gowns, hoods and tassels, you must contact the UO Bookstore by early April as it takes eight weeks for delivery.

For information, or to order, call Stacy Miller, 6-4331, Ext. 268, or e-mail smiller@oregon.

Football Season Tickets On Sale

2003 Oregon football season tickets, regularly \$228, are on sale now to all full-time UO faculty and staff members at \$183 apiece. Each employee may purchase two discounted season tickets. Season ticket-holders are assured of the same quality seats for every home game, guaranteed the best available seating, received priority seating for post-season play and, for returning ticket-holders, first choice for single-game tickets. To retain priority, those renewing season ticket orders must return their applications **by May 1**.

Employees may pay by check or through payroll deduction program. For top priority, join the Duck Athletic Fund, 6-5433.

Summer Guide Posted Online

The 2003 Directory of Summer Opportunities in Eugene/Springfield for Children and Youth is now available online. Compiled by Work and Family Services, this annual resource lists more than 100 camps as a service to faculty, staff and student families with school-age children. Access the complete directory at hr.uoregon.edu/workfamily/summer2003.php. For questions, call 6-2962.

Famed Author to Address New Student Convocation Sept. 28

Volunteers Sought to Help New Students Discuss James McBride Book

By Dave Goldberg

Karen Sprague has already assigned some homework to next fall's new students—an over-the-summer assignment to read James McBride's *The Color of Water*, and now she's looking for faculty and staff volunteers to help the incoming freshmen discuss the reading.

The bonus for the new students and their faculty and staff mentors is that McBride himself will be the featured speaker at this fall's New Student Convocation.

The celebrated author, who is also an accomplished musician, will join with his Swing-ing Quartet for a performance lecture on Sunday, Sept. 28, at the conclusion of this year's Week of Welcome for new students.

"We want volunteers to lead discussions," says Sprague, Biology and vice provost for undergraduate studies. "After the talk/performance, we will be hosting a barbecue and will break off into discussion groups to talk about the book."

The event is designed to create a shared experience for first-year students, provide an introduction to the intellec-

New Director Takes Art Museum Helm

By Katie Sproles

David Turner, who assumed the helm this week as the new director of the University of Oregon Museum of Art (UOMA), has hit the ground running.

Already, Turner has met with University of Oregon Foundation Trustees and the UOMA Board of Directors. He now plans to focus on meeting with

members of the university, civic and arts communities during the coming months.

"It's important to connect the art museum with these constituencies and build anticipation for its reopening," he says

Sharing his vision for the UOMA, Turner explains, "It is of the greatest importance that we welcome audiences to the art museum's beautiful new spaces and challenge their thinking about the role the arts play in their lives. It will be important for visitors to know they can bring their own experiences to the objects on display and make them relevant to their own lives."

Turner arrived in the midst of the art museum's \$12.72 million renovation and expansion project. The building, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, will be double in size when it re-opens in 2004.

Turner, a UO graduate, brings 25 years of museum administration experience to his new post, as well as a proven record of success in moving museums forward through periods of transition. Prior to returning to the UO, he was the director of the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center and the Museum of Fine Arts, Santa Fe, N.M.

Katie Sproles is the Museum of Art's public relations and marketing coordinator.

March of Dimes Seeks UO WalkAmerica Sign-Ups

UO faculty, staff and students are invited to participate April 26 in WalkAmerica, a March of Dimes event featuring 3K and 10K walks to raise money to fund research to understand and prevent premature births. The event gets underway at 9 a.m. at Alton Baker Park. Registration forms are available at Northwest Community Credit Union, BI-MART, Umpqua Bank, online at www.WalkAmerica.org or by calling 686-2170.

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