Degree Partnership Program

Nuts and Bolts

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OSU’s Degree Partnership Programs

• Established in 1998 by Oregon State University & Linn-Benton Community College

• Allows students to be jointly admitted & concurrently enrolled at Oregon State University & Oregon/Hawaii community colleges

• Students gain flexibility in completing their degree with greater access through the community college and OSU
Advantages of Degree Partnerships

- Combined application process
- Capability to combine credits for concurrent enrollment
- Use of technology to manage the process such as EDI & Oregon Financial Aid Exchange (OFAX)
- Advising, articulation, credits transfer at both programs.
Concurrent Enrollment

• Memorandums of Understanding
  • Agreements by partner institutions to outline programs and services
  • Cover the overall program details

• Consortium Agreements
  • Agreements between partner offices of Financial Aid
    • Establishes enrollment criteria, etc.
Admissions
Admissions

- Students apply with web-based application hosted by OSU
- Student applies to each individual partner program prior to the deadline
  - Approx. 3 weeks prior to the term
- Partners are sent a report every Sunday with new DPP students
Application Continued

- Current OSU students and admitted students do not need to pay the application fee
- Only need to complete the community college questions and data sharing authorization

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- **Degree Partnership Freshman:** Currently in high school, or graduated from high school with fewer than 24 (16 semester) college credits, or hold a GED. FOR LINN-BENTON CC DEGREE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM ONLY.

- **Degree Partnership Transfer:** Has successfully completed a minimum of 24 (16 semester) graded, transferable credits from an accredited college or university. FOR LINN-BENTON CC DEGREE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM ONLY.

- **Degree Partnership FOR CURRENT OSU STUDENTS:** For students admitted to and currently enrolled at OSU. FOR LINN-BENTON CC DEGREE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM ONLY.
Financial Aid Coding
Financial Aid HOME School

- New admits receive an email instructing them to declare a home school
  - Must declare a “HOME” school for financial aid
    - Students can only get federal aid at one school at a time
    - Students are sent an email with instructions on how to declare

- OSU codes new students as NOHOME
  - Prompts them to declare a Home School by Online Survey
  - OSU communicates choice to partner school
    - HOME-OSU is home school and pays their aid
    - PARTNER-Partner school is home school & OSU cancels all aid at OSU

- Home school parameters vary by institution
- Multiple Partner schools
  - Students can have multiple partner schools but must choose a primary
  - Only credits from the primary are counted
Online Questionnaire

Current Surveys

By providing survey information, you will help us to serve you better. The following surveys are currently available for your response. Click on the title of a survey to either begin, or to continue a survey that you started but did not complete.

Thank you for your time and help.

If you want to remove a survey from the list, click on I do not wish to respond on the survey page.

- DPP HOME Survey
  - Declaring a home school establishes which school provides your financial aid. When you are admitted to the Degree Partnership Program (DPP), you may be eligible to receive financial aid based on the total enrollment from both schools. It is important to understand that only one school may provide your financial aid for each term of enrollment. Therefore, to receive your aid you must declare a home school. To determine your home school you must consider several factors. Each term you are enrolled you should ask yourself are you going to be taking your courses:
    - Only at the Community College partner school
    - Only at OSU
    - Some courses at both your Community College and some at OSU

If you are only taking courses at the partner school, then they will be your home school. You will want to verify that your partner school is listed on your FAFSA application, and contact their financial aid office for more information on your aid eligibility. Please note that Community Colleges cannot pay financial aid for 300 to 400 level courses, so if you will be taking these level courses you will want OSU as your home school. If you are taking courses only at OSU, then OSU will be your home school. For more about the specific requirements, please visit the main Financial Aid DPP page: http://oregonstate.edu/financialaid/degree-partnership-program. If you decide to change your Home School or Primary Partner for future terms, please let us know of the changes several weeks in advance of the term.

Please click on the DPP HOME Survey link above and answer the questions to declare your home school.

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Online Questionnaire

Survey Questions

Survey Name: DPP HOME Survey

Question 1: (1 of 3) Please indicate which school you wish to be your Home School for Financial Aid.

- OSU
- Partner School

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Question 2: (2 of 3) What term would you like your Home School Declaration to take effect?

- Summer
- Fall
- Winter
- Spring

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Online Questionnaire

Survey Questions

Please answer as many questions as you feel are appropriate. Do NOT click I do not wish to respond unless you want to remove this survey from the list of available surveys. Skip questions that you do not wish to answer. You may begin the survey now, and return at a later date to finish the survey by clicking Finish Later. Submit the completed survey by clicking Survey Complete.

Survey Name: DPP HOME Survey

Question 3: (3 of 3) If you have been admitted to DPP with more than one partner school, please enter the number of the primary partner school in the box below. Please note we will only count enrollment at OSU and the school you have selected as your primary partner school.

01 - Blue Mountain
02 - Clatsop
03 - Central Oregon
04 - Columbia Gorge
05 - Chemeketa
06 - Clackamas
07 - Hawaii CC
08 - Kapiolani CC
09 - Klamath
10 - Linn-Benton
11 - Lane
12 - Leeward
13 - Maui
14 - Mt Hood
15 - Oregon Coast
16 - OHSU
17 - PCC
18 - SW Oregon
19 - Tillamook Bay
20 - Treasure Valley
21 - Umpqua

Example: Enter 03 in the box below for Central Oregon.
Online Questionnaire

- Once students declare their HOME
  - Banner updates requirements
  - Adds school codes & comments to system

- OSU will send weekly updates to partners with home school updates

- If a student wishes to change home schools they can email dpp@oregonstate.edu
Receiving Financial Aid

- Student must have a current FAFSA
- Must complete any outstanding requirements
- Enrollment must match
  - All students are awarded at full-time
  - Can be less but they have to notify us
- If OSU is Home all aid will pay onto their account by the 1\textsuperscript{st} day of classes
  - Pays anything owed to OSU
  - Books cannot be charged to their account
  - Remainder is refunded
  - Student must pay partner school balance
Exchanging Information
Privacy, EDI & Enrollment, oh my!

• **Privacy**
  - Student release on the FAFSA application authorizes data sharing for financial aid eligibility
  - Student also authorizes data sharing on the admissions application
  - Data can only be used for Financial Aid purposes

• **EDI (Electronic Data Interchange)**
  - Used to transmit academic history
  - Transcripts automatically transmitted at the end of each term

• **Enrollment Information Sharing**
  - Enrollment levels, withdrawals
  - Student Status Confirmation Report (SSCR) for deferments
  - Monitoring for aid-eligible courses
  - End of term grades
Oregon Financial Aid Exchange (OFAX)

- OFAX is a secure server that allows for
  - Multiple enrollment data exchange
  - Combination of enrollment for financial aid purposes
- Financial Aid access is through OSAC website
- OFAX server processes the file
  - Matches SSN
  - Returns matching records sent in by other schools via password protected download
    - Data is sent/received as a text file
    - Can then be loaded into EXCEL & processed manually or uploaded into system
Oregon Financial Aid Exchange (OFAX)

• What do we do with the data?
  • Verify and resolve discrepant information
    • Home school discrepancies
    • Excluded courses
    • Other anomalies

• Disburse financial aid based on combined enrollment

• Report enrollment data for those with OSU as home

• Run Satisfactory Academic Progress at the end of term
### OSU OFAX Exchange Schedule

#### March 2013

**DPP Financial Aid Calendar**

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- **During the term** OSU transmits data Tues/Thurs to OFAX
- **Daily during the first few weeks** of a new term
- **Prior term upload** on 2 Wednesdays to capture grades
OSU’s OFAX form

- OSU uploads the OFAX file and data is displayed in a custom page (RYAOFAX)
Information for Advisors
Things to Consider when Advising

- Transferability of credits for Financial Aid
  - A community college cannot accept 300-400 level transfer
  - OSU cannot accept courses that do not transfer in
    - Tech courses, enrichment courses
    - Courses not on the articulation table

- Home school enrollment requirements
  - Vary by school based on consortium

- OSU Scholarship requirements
  - Regardless of Home School agreement student MUST be enrolled for 6 credits to receive Institutional scholarships
Things to Consider when Advising

- If a student is on a Satisfactory Academic Progress plan be aware that:
  - GPA is OSU ONLY
  - PACE/Completion is a combination of all credits attempted vs completed

- Dropping Classes
  - BEFORE add/drop date financial aid is adjusted based on enrollment at Census (add/drop)
    - If a student has OSU as HOME & drops all OSU classes their aid is cancelled
  - AFTER add/drop students can drop classes and it affects SAP PACE/Completion rates
Contact Information

Degree Partnership Program Website: oregonstate.edu/partnerships/students
OSU Financial Aid & Scholarships Website: oregonstate.edu/financialaid
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