Open Campus Mission

OSU Open Campus, a community-based education partnership convened by Oregon State University, provides **local access to learning** in order to address the **unique educational needs** of Oregon’s communities.
Open Campus Structure

- Outreach & Engagement
  - OSU Open Campus
    - Open Campus Coordinators
    - Juntos Program
  - School Districts
    - Future Pathways
  - Extended Campus
  - Community Colleges
    - Other Programs
Open Campus Locations
Open Campus Goals

1. COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS
   - MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

2. DEGREE COMPLETION
   - COMMUNITY COLLEGE & DPP STUDENTS
   - OSU STUDENTS

3. ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
   - OREGON COMMUNITIES

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Open Campus Goals

1. **College & Career Readiness**

   - Students need tools & information before graduating high school & middle school

   - Students want to feel confident they have what they need to be successful in community college, DPP, trade school, university, and their career

   - Oregon ranked 48th in high school graduation rates with over a quarter of our students not completing high school in 5 years.

   - If we want to see students in our community colleges and universities, we have to meet students and families where they are at
Open Campus Goals

2. DEGREE COMPLETION

- Students need support during the transfer process
- Students are overwhelmed by the transfer process and necessary steps involved in achieving their bachelor’s degree
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3. Economic & Community Development

- We’ve learned that by listening to the needs of communities, we can help grow programs that positively impact Oregon communities.

- All partnerships should be treated differently.
Why Partner?

- Research supports early advising
- It’s better to work together!
- Transfer students benefit from connecting with 4-year university

WHERE DO TRANSFER STUDENTS GO?
Barriers

PROBLEM:
- Transfer students lose an average of 43 credits when they transfer from 2-year to 4-year institutions (Jenkins & Fink, 2015)

SOLUTION:
- Effective transfer student outcomes and higher degree completion rates happen when 2- and 4-year partners prioritize transfer pathways and specific transfer advising opportunities for students (Fink & Jenkins, 2017).

1. PRIORITIZED TRANSFER PATHWAYS
   - DPP

2. SPECIFIC TRANSFER ADVISING
   - OPEN CAMPUS
Results

- Better prepared transfer students

- Fewer barriers to transfer student success

- Increase retention, progression and graduation rates at both institutions

- Help students use their time at community college to complete the appropriate associate’s degree while also completing requirements for the university

- Support the mission, vision, values, and goals of both OSU and community colleges
FUTURE PATHWAYS
A FLEXIBLE APPROACH TO YOUR LEARNING

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Early Exposure

- College campus visits
- Summer campus
- Gifts of Literacy
- STEM Camp
- 4-H Camp
- Classroom Visits
Parent Involvement

- Parent support is more important to school success than a student’s IQ, economic status or school setting
- Increases school-parent communication
- Gives parents another reason to be present at their kids’ high school
- Make parents more knowledgeable about the road their kids will be taking
High School Success Workshops

- Volunteer opportunities
- Internships
- Transcripts
- Graduation requirements
- Extra Curricular activities
- AP / college level classes
- School communication
- Scholarships
Internships/Career Fairs

- Career and job exposure
- Learn soft skills
- Learn what you don’t like as much as you do like
- HS credit/60 hours
- Meaningful job exposure
Post-Secondary Options Workshop

- Why education after HS...
- Choices after High school
- Costs of choices
- Career choices
- DPP
- Comparison of choices
Financial Aid Workshops

- Scholarships
- Loans
- Grants
- Work Study
- FAFSA Support
Admissions Process

- Navigating website
- Accessing emails
- Fee waivers
- SAT/ACT
- Requirements
- Essays
- Housing, supplies, dining plans
Summer Melt Workshop/Program

- Weekly personal contact with students
- Degree pathways
- Web portals @ chosen institution
- Articulation tables
- DPP programs
- Budgeting
- Financial aid/award letters
- Work Experience
- Internships
- Scholarships
- Living options
- Shopping for college
- Cooking in college
- Time management

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Transfer Advising

- Degree choice
- Financial options
- Clear/transient pathways
- Transfer requirements
- Mentoring support

- Office hours
- Tabling
- Guest speaking in required courses – ex. College Success

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Partners

- Community Colleges
- AVID
- Aspire
- Gear Up
- Future Centers
- High School Counselors

- Internship/work experience coordinators
- Migrant Ed
- EDCO
- Chamber office
- Businesses
Helpful Takeaways

- Workshops for families are graduation requirements
- One on one mentoring
- Texting as a form of communication
- Stressing parental involvement
- Student is ultimately responsible for future
- Empower students with as many resources as possible
Questions?

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