Academic Extension

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Academic Extension at the University of Oregon provides educational opportunities to people seeking university-level instruction and enrichment beyond the traditional campus experience. Activities include lectures, conferences, seminars, workshops, and formal courses with opportunities to earn a variety of credentials for professional development and lifelong learning.

Academic Programs

Applied Information Management (AIM)
Master’s Degree
aim.uoregon.edu

This master of science degree is an interdisciplinary studies program through the Graduate School. It is designed to engage midcareer professionals in relevant studies in information management, information design, business management, and applied research. Course work is fully online. See the Graduate Studies section of this catalog for a complete program description.

Community Education
cep.uoregon.edu

An important dimension of the University of Oregon’s responsibility to continuing education is the Community Education Program, which makes university courses available to people who are not formally admitted to the university.

Community education students may register for a maximum of 8 credits per academic term. Credits earned through the Community Education Program are listed on a student’s permanent UO academic record.

Distance Education
de.uoregon.edu

Distance Education’s online format provides both admitted and community education students the flexibility of completing course work outside the traditional classroom setting. Courses follow the academic term schedule. Delivery format and assessment methods vary by course.

Substance Abuse Prevention Program
sapp.uoregon.edu

The Substance Abuse Prevention Program (SAPP) provides course work in the areas of substance abuse, drug and alcohol prevention, treatment, and recovery, as well as related topics. See the Counseling Psychology and Human Services section of this catalog for a complete program description.

Summer Session
uosummer.uoregon.edu

Enrollment during summer session does not require formal admission to the university. Summer courses carry university credit and begin throughout the summer. Most academic departments, schools, and colleges at the university offer courses in summer. Detailed information about summer courses, fees, and registration is available on the summer session website in early March. The 12-week 2018 summer session lasts from June 25 to September 14.

The university can assist students with loans, grants, and part-time work during the summer. Financial aid is available only for students who are admitted to the university and enrolled in a program leading to a degree. A student must be in good academic standing to receive financial aid. Additional information and application forms are available on the UO financial aid website.

Single- and multiple-occupancy rooms in university residence halls are available in summer. Student family housing is limited because year-round students occupy most units during the summer. Rental houses, apartments, and various short-term rentals are available near the campus.

Professional Development

Professional Development for Educators
pde.uoregon.edu

Professional Development for Educators partners with academic departments within the UO to offer courses, workshops, and conferences that grant graduate credit or professional development units for in-service teachers. Workshops meet licensure requirements for K–12 educators and fulfill new professional development and continuing education initiatives.

Real Solutions

Real Solutions is an online, self-paced learning program delivering engaging professional-development instruction to educators. Courses contain content from leading experts and are built using evidence-based strategies to enhance online learning. Completion of a Real Solutions course yields professional development units and continuing education units from the university.

Lifelong Learning

Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction
mindfulness.uoregon.edu

Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction is a program that teaches participants how to harness their own innate abilities to diminish stress and pain, improving overall physical and mental health. This eight-week noncredit course in stress-reduction techniques is inspired by the curriculum pioneered more than 30 years ago at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. It is offered to members of the university and surrounding communities fall, winter, and spring terms.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
oshers.uoregon.edu

This noncredit, self-support program was originally established in 1993 to meet the educational interests of mature adults. The Osher Lifelong
Academic Extension Learning Institute at the University of Oregon is offered at program sites in Eugene-Springfield and central Oregon. The curriculum explores the humanities, the sciences, current affairs, and the arts through a varied schedule of lectures, short courses, study and discussion groups, and other activities. An annual fee covers participation in the majority of program offerings. Previous attendance or association with the university is not required for membership.

Road Scholar Program
academicextension.uoregon.edu/roadscholar

Road Scholar is the new name for programs offered by Elderhostel Inc., the nonprofit world leader in educational travel for lifelong learners. Working in cooperation with the Oregon Bach Festival, Academic Extension offers weeklong Road Scholar sessions in conjunction with this internationally acclaimed, UO-based festival. The Road Scholar Program offers in-depth and behind-the-scenes learning experiences that blend festival events with lectures, lecture demonstrations, and exclusive events led by guest artists and UO faculty members.

UO Insight Seminars
uoinsight.uoregon.edu

UO Insight Seminars are short-term, extensive investigations of art, literature, poetry, philosophy, history, architecture, archaeology, religion, and current events. Led by UO and guest faculty members who provide formal study guides and lead college-level discussions, the seminars offer college-level study for the sake of personal fulfillment.

Other Services
academicextension.uoregon.edu/services

Customized Training

By partnering with Academic Extension, businesses, nonprofits, and government organizations can develop and administer trainings on- or offsite, offering professional development units, continuing education units, or UO credit.

Conferences and Special Programs

Administrative support is provided for a variety of conferences and noncredit workshops, including events offered by academic departments and individual faculty members developing activities for UO students and community members, academic societies, associations, regional meetings, and nonacademic community-interest programs.