



Opportunities!

for Oregon State University Students with Disabilities



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Dear Student,

You are receiving this correspondence from OSU Services for Students with Disabilities in partnership with DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology). The purpose is to inform you about some of the many opportunities available to you. We invite you to read this letter and encourage you to participate in activities that are of interest to you.

This letter contains details about the on campus **Career Center**, **Adaptive Technology** on campus, **Disability Rights Groups**, **Financial Aid for Students with Disabilities**, and information about **Exciting Internships and Scholarships**.

OSU Services for Students with Disabilities and DO-IT sincerely wish you a successful and enjoyable college experience.

Sincerely,

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Opportunities at Oregon State University...



OSU Educational Opportunities Program

The Educational Opportunities Program (EOP) was created to provide support for non-traditional students, including students with disabilities. If you would like more information, contact Janet. Nishihara@oregonstate.edu or (541) 737-3928 or visit at <http://oregonstate.edu/dept/eop>.



ASOSU Disabled Student Affairs Task Force

The Disabled Student Affairs Task Force coordinates educational programming on issues concerning educational access, discrimination, recruitment/retention, and building/event access. This task force represents students with disabilities and is an excellent way to develop leadership skills and provide valuable input on disability issues. Internship opportunities are also available!! Contact: (541) 737-0734 or email Disabled.Affairs@oregonstate.edu.

Team Liberation

OSU Team Liberation

OSUTL is a group of facilitators of human relations workshops. These workshops include issues of racism, sexism, heterosexism, classism, ageism, ableism, religious intolerance, communication and community & leadership development in an interactive and

inclusive way. For more information check out the website at <http://oregonstate.edu/groups/teamliberation/> or call (541) 737-9857.



Career Services at OSU

Explore career links to your major recruitment schedules, some for students with disabilities ONLY, and career fair, interview preparation, resume tips, and other vital job finding information at <http://oregonstate.edu/career/students/tools/php#exploring>. Career Services contact: Tom. Phillips@oregonstate.edu or (541) 737-4085.

OSU Academic Success Center



The OSU Academic Success Center offers advising for undeclared majors (UESP), tutoring services referral, conferences with Success Specialists, Study Skills courses through Academic Learning Services, a new computer lab (print for only 3 cents per page!), and referrals to many other campus programs. More information is available at <http://success.oregonstate.edu/> or by contacting the ASC, 140 Waldo Hall (541) 737-3709.



Student Support Services TRIO Programs (SSS)

TRIO Programs are educational opportunity outreach programs designed to motivate and support students from disadvantaged backgrounds, including students with disabilities. These programs are targeted to serve disabled students to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to post-baccalaureate programs. If you would like more eligibility information about SSS, or to apply for the program, stop by Waldo 341, call (541) 737-9326, or email Buffy.Gillis@oregonstate.edu.

Technology Access Program Oregon State University

The Technology Access Program (TAP) at Oregon State

TAP is a campus resource for meeting the technology access needs of students, faculty and staff with disabilities. In cooperation with other programs on

campus, TAP assists with website compliance and has a variety of equipment available to assist faculty and staff in modification of class materials for their students with disabilities. Information on TAP is available at <http://tap.oregonstate.edu/>, (541) 737-7307 or Ron.Stewart@oregonstate.edu.



Seeking Students with Disabilities in Science Fields for a Project Called AccessSTEM

DO-IT's Northwest Alliance for Access to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (AccessSTEM) provides opportunities for students with disabilities to locate internships and other work experiences, participate in career preparation events, conduct labor market research, develop disability disclosure and accommodation strategies, and network with mentors and business professionals. For more information, contact Tami Tidwell at (206) 616-7850 or tamitha@u.washington.

Entry Point! 2005

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Internships for students with disabilities in science, engineering, mathematics, computer science, and business! For more information contact: Laureen Summers at (202) 326-6649 or Lsummers@aaas.org

or check out the web site and apply online at <http://www.entrypoint.org>. Locally, contact SSD at (541) 737-3671 or Disability.Services@oregonstate.edu.

Workforce Recruitment Program for College Students with Disabilities

The Workforce Recruitment Program (WRP) for students with disabilities connects public and private sector employers nationwide with postsecondary students. Employers seek to fill both temporary and permanent positions in a variety of fields. During winter quarter, personal interviews are conducted on campus. By late March, a database of student information is made available to employers. Recent graduates may also be eligible. Please contact SSD at (541) 737-4098 or Disability.Services@oregonstate.edu for more information.

Get Involved!

The Associated Student Center offers a variety of services and support to individual students and student organization members seeking to increase their level of involvement at OSU. For more information, call 737-2101 or checkout the website at <http://oregonstate.edu/studentinvolvement/>

Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity

Affirmative Action encourages equity through planning and implementation of guidelines and practices designed to end exclusion. Equal opportunity is the right to be hired, to gain entry into institutions of higher education, and to be provided with equal consideration, regardless of race, national origin, gender, or other protected statuses. For more information or to file a complaint, please call 737-3556

University Counseling and Psychological Services

U.C.P.S. Services provides a variety of services to help students address the challenges and difficulties they face. These services are designed to help students understand themselves better, create and maintain satisfying relationships, improve their academic performance, and make healthy and satisfying career and life choices. For more information, visit <http://oregonstate.edu/dept/counsel/> or call 737-2131



The National Business & Disability Council National Resume Database

The National Business and Disability Council will enter your resume into their National Resume Database! This is a free service for college students with disabilities who are approaching graduation. To register, visit <http://www.business-disability.com/> and click on "job seekers" and "post resume," or fax resume to 1-877-634-7068.

Youth to Work Coalition

The Youth to Work Coalition

The Youth to Work Coalition (YWC) was established to assist businesses in creating or enhancing internships and mentoring programs available for youth with disabilities. For more information on the YWC, please contact Joe Timmons at (612) 624-5659 or tim0119@umn.edu, or visit <http://>



College Funding Strategies for Students with Disabilities

Financial aid is available to help students and their families

pay for educational expenses after high school. Common forms of financial aid include grants, loans, work-study, and scholarships. Students with disabilities may also be eligible for disability-related Federal and State programs that offer financial support. Many students use a combination of some or all of these financial aid resources. To learn more about strategies for funding your education, check out **College Funding Strategies for Students with Disabilities** at <http://www.washington.edu/doit/Brochures/Academics/financial-aid.html>.

The **Scholarships list at California State University Sacramento (CSUS)** site includes a comprehensive list of disability-related scholarships at <http://www.csus.edu/sswd/services/scholarships-disabilityrelated.htm>.



The Washington Center Scholarship Program for College Students with Disabilities

The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars offers 50 scholarships to college students with disabilities interested in working in the executive, judicial, or legislative branches of the federal government. Applications are available at <http://www.aapd-dc.org/internships/twcintern/twc04/washintern04.html>. Scholarships are available for Spring and Fall semesters only. The deadline for Fall is June 15, 2005.

Financial Assistance for Women with Physical Disabilities

The Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation, Inc., (ELA) provides financial



assistance to women with physical disabilities who are enrolled in college. Awards are based on merit. Scholarships range from \$500-\$2000 per year. The application deadline is June 1, 2005. For more information, visit <http://www.ela.org/>.



About DO-IT (Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, Technology)

DO-IT serves to increase the participation of individuals with disabilities in challenging academic programs and careers. It promotes the use of computing and networking technologies to increase independence, productivity, and participation in education and employment. Based at the University of Washington Seattle campus, DO-IT works with students preparing for college, in addition to those students currently attending a two- or four-year college or university in Oregon, Idaho, Alaska and Washington.

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