



Legislative Update

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2015-16 Investments (\$465K)

- **Increase success for +120 first-gen, low-income students (up 75%) – advising, peer consulting, mentoring**
- **Academic assistance texting program for 70 students**
- **150 “Completer” scholarships**
- **Systemic outreach to targeted student populations (VP Enrollment Management)**

2016 Priorities

- **\$55M for Public University Support Fund**
 - Drafting bill that directs each institution to invest the \$27.5M in 2nd year of biennium
 - Oregon Tech estimated amount: \$725K
- **Reauthorize University Venture Development Fund**



Potential Issues in 2016

- **Adjunct health care benefits (est. \$3.8M biennium)**
- **Minimum wage (est. \$500K)**
- **Accelerated learning**
- **Free community college**
- **Student health records/sexual assault**
- **Ballot measure to increase revenue for education and other services via corporate tax increase**



Key Dates for Board Involvement

- **November 13: Board-hosted legislative breakfast in Wilsonville**
- **Nov 18 and Jan 18: Legislative Days – need one board volunteer to accompany President on each date**
- **February 11: Public University Day at the Capitol – all board members welcome**
- **Feb 2016: May need board members for possible testimony**



Questions for the Board

- Does the board have any legislative policy priorities to advance the mission of Oregon Tech?
- How will board members respond to requests to support revenue ballot measures, as individuals and as a board?

Thank you for your ongoing support!