

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA CAMPUSES

UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE

The university is a part of the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, which is composed of all higher education institutions supported wholly or in part by state appropriations. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education is the coordinating board for the system.

The university – as part of the public educational system of the state, established by legislative action and supported by annual legislative appropriations – places emphasis on sound scholarship, good citizenship, and the duties of the individual to the community and the commonwealth.

By constitutional enactment, the governance of the university is vested in the OU Board of Regents, a board consisting of seven members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the State Senate. Each member is appointed to serve for seven years, except when appointed to fill an unexpired term, and is subject to removal from office only as provided by law for the removal of officers not liable to impeachment.

The Oklahoma State Regents and the university regents approve the requirements for admission and graduation, the degrees offered, and the fees and expenses. The boards reserve the right to change these requirements.

NORMAN CAMPUS

The central campus and the offices of administration of the University of Oklahoma are located on some 3,500 acres in Norman, a city of more than 100,000 residents. Norman is located near the center of the state, 20 miles south of Oklahoma City, the state capital.

The colleges housed on the Norman campus are University College, the Christopher C. Gibbs College of Architecture, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences, the Michael F. Price College of Business, the Mewbourne College of Earth and Energy, the Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education, the Gallogly College of Engineering, the Weitzenhoffer Family College of Fine Arts, the Graduate College, the Joe C. and Carole Kerr McClendon Honors College, the David L. Boren College of International Studies, the Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication, the College of Law, and the College of Professional and Continuing Studies. The Norman campus is also headquarters for the College of Continuing Education, which directs outreach programs throughout the state.

The Norman campus consists of four sections – central campus, south campus, research campus and north campus. Most of the academic and administrative buildings are located on the central campus, noted for its Cherokee Gothic architecture and award-winning landscaping. Also situated on the central campus are the university residence halls, which include residential colleges and other upperclassman housing; Sarkeys Energy Center; University Libraries; Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art; Donald W. Reynolds Performing Arts Center, including historic Holmberg Hall; Rupel Jones Fine Arts Center, including Elsie C. Brackett Theatre; Catlett Music Center, including Sharp Concert Hall and Pitman Recital Hall; Oklahoma Memorial Union; recreational facilities, including the Sarkeys Fitness Center and the Murray Case Sells Swim Complex; Gaylord Family – Oklahoma Memorial Stadium; the Everest Indoor Training Center; and the Oklahoma Center for Continuing Education, a year-round educational center and conference site. Located one block east of the central campus is the OU Brandt Park and Duck Pond, a recreational area used throughout the year by OU students and Norman residents. David A. Burr Park is conveniently located near residence halls and other recreational facilities.

South Campus

Immediately adjacent to central campus is the south campus, site of the College of Law; the OU Foundation; OU Traditions apartments; the world-class Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History; Lloyd Noble Center and parking complex; the John Crain Field at the OU Soccer Complex; the Headington Family Tennis Center; the Gregg Wadley Tennis Pavilion; the Jimmie Austin University of Oklahoma Golf Course; L. Dale Mitchell Baseball Park; the Marita Hynes Field – OU Women's Softball Complex; the Sam Viersen Gymnastics Center; the OU Rugby Field; the OU Rowing Training Center; and the OU Learning Center.

Research Campus

In less than a decade, the 277-acre OU Research Campus has been transformed from an empty field to a thriving economic engine shaped by a community of public and private sector collaborations located in nearly 1 million square feet of occupied space representing \$300 million in investment. Today, the Research Campus brings together 1,700 workers across academic, federal, state and industrial organizations in a mutually beneficial environment.

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Research Campus (continued)

The National Weather Center, a 257,000 square-foot facility that opened in 2006, anchors the OU Research Campus on the south. The Center houses both academic and federal groups dedicated to forecasting, research and training. The Stephenson Research and Technology Center and the Stephenson Life Sciences Research Center house cutting-edge research in fields including robotics, genomics, bioengineering and the OU Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, which includes a National Institutes of Health-funded structural biology program. A series of five "Partners Place" buildings, totaling 362,000 square-feet, enable the public and private sector collaboration on weather and radar research; innovation and entrepreneurship; and water, climate, and energy. The OU Innovation Hub serves as a creative space for students and faculty in support of invention and entrepreneurship. Additionally, a 35,000 square-foot "one of a kind" Radar Innovations Laboratory opened in 2014.

OU's Research Campus has been certified by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce as Site Ready, which allows the university to capitalize on fast-moving economic opportunities and enables site selectors to readily find quality land and facilities that meet nationally established criteria. OU's Research Campus was named the nation's top research park for 2013 by the Association of University Research Parks, placing it among such past recipients as Research Triangle Park in North Carolina, Purdue Research Park in Indiana and University City Science Center in Pennsylvania.

North Campus

North campus, which is two miles north of the main campus, includes the Merrick Computer Center; Max Westheimer Airport, the University-operated airport that also serves the City of Norman; and Swearingen Research Park, where government agencies and industry have established facilities.

Other research and study units of the university include the Biological Station on Lake Texoma; the Sutton Avian Research Center in Bartlesville; the Oklahoma Geophysical Observatory at Leonard near Tulsa; the Aquatic Biology Fisheries Research Center in Noble near Norman; and the Oklahoma Biological Survey, the Oklahoma Archeological Survey and Charles M. Russell Center for the Study of Art of the American West in Norman. In addition, the Oklahoma Geological Survey is a state agency mandated in the Constitution of Oklahoma, and is part of the Mewbourne College of Earth and Energy at the University of Oklahoma.

HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (OUHSC) is one of the most comprehensive academic health centers in the nation, with programs in Oklahoma City, Tulsa, and Lawton; six professional Colleges and the Graduate College; research centers of excellence such as the Stephenson Cancer Center, Harold Hamm Diabetes Center, and Dean McGee Eye Institute; and the state's largest clinical group practice OU Physicians with over 1,200 credentialed providers. Students enroll in programs at the College of Allied Health, College of Dentistry, College of Medicine and School of Community Medicine, Fran and Earl Ziegler College of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, Hudson College of Public Health, and Graduate College.

The OUHSC prepares healthcare professionals and scientists to meet tomorrow's most complex healthcare needs, through research, discovery, and interdisciplinary education experiences. The OUHSC is a premier healthcare training institution for over 3,300 students, 80 post-doctoral researchers, and 800 residents and fellows, graduating physicians, biomedical and clinician scientists, nurses, dentists, pharmacists, allied health professionals, and public health leaders. Prominent OUHSC researchers receive the largest portfolio of National Institutes of Health (NIH) funding in the state, and commercialize new treatments and diagnostic tests, utilizing state-of-the-art research facilities such as the University Research Park, Stanton L. Young Biomedical Research Center, and Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation (OMRF). The Stephenson Cancer Center is the only National Cancer Institute (NCI) designated Center in Oklahoma and in the top 2 percent nationwide.

The OUHSC is a founding partner with the University Hospitals Authority and Trust of the academic health system OU Medicine, which includes OU Medical Center, The Children's Hospital, and OU Medical Center Edmond. The OUHSC and OU Medicine combine efforts as the only research-driven healthcare system in Oklahoma, with treatment options and expertise found nowhere else. The Tulsa campus is part of the OU Medicine statewide system partnership, and also has academic and clinical affiliations with the Hillcrest, St. Francis, and St. John health systems. OUHSC has additional affiliations with the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Oklahoma City, and other hospitals, clinics, health departments, and healthcare facilities across Oklahoma.

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HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER (continued)

Scientists, scholars and clinicians at the OUHSC deliver healthcare solutions through bench-to bedside-to-community research and through training the state's most comprehensive and skilled health workforce. The OUHSC is an essential partner for the state to improve health outcomes and drive economic growth and diversification.

OU-TULSA SCHUSTERMAN CENTER

The OU-Tulsa Schusterman Center is located in the heart of mid-town Tulsa at 41st and Yale. On this campus both the OU Health Sciences Center and the OU Norman Campus offer programs. The vision of OU-Tulsa is to build a nationally-recognized center of higher education excellence in select areas that emphasize strong campus-community partnerships and leverage unique opportunities and needs in the Tulsa region.

OU has a long history in the Tulsa area. The earliest program of the University of Oklahoma in Tulsa started in 1957 as a partnership with the Tulsa City-County Library. This program averaged 50 students a year and was one of the first programs to be part of the Tulsa Graduate Center, which became University Center at Tulsa in 1982. Recognizing the potential community impact of an expansion of OU services in Tulsa, the Oklahoma Legislature enacted Senate Bill 453 in 1972 that created a clinical branch of the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine in Tulsa. Today, the OU College of Medicine in Tulsa enrolls medical students and trains 181 residents who conduct 200,000 patient visits annually at the college's ambulatory clinics.

Although OU's presence in Tulsa has been longstanding, it changed dramatically in 1999. As a result of the transformational \$10 million gift from the Charles and Lynn Schusterman Family Foundation and the leadership of President David L. Boren, OU was able to purchase 60 acres at the corner of 41st and Yale, previously the BP-Amoco Research Center. The OU programs in Tulsa had been located in a wide variety of physical locations. By the fall of 2002, all OU academic programs in Tulsa were located at the Schusterman Center campus. This campus has allowed OU to better serve the community by providing a strong, centralized identity in Tulsa.

In February of 2008, the George Kaiser Family Foundation made a \$50 million gift to the OU College of Medicine in Tulsa allowing the College of Medicine to have the explicit focus to improve the health status of underserved communities. To reflect that change, the name of the College of Medicine in Tulsa was changed to the OU School of Community Medicine, the first in the nation. The School of Community Medicine remains an integral part of the OU College of Medicine. The University of Tulsa and the University of Oklahoma welcomed its first class of students to the School of Community Medicine four-year educational track in Tulsa in 2015. The Tandy Education Center also recently opened and is a space that provides students the opportunity to practice lifelike circumstances using models and virtual reality. It is a state-of-the-art facility that features the latest advances in medical simulation.

OU EXTENDED CAMPUS - COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES

OU Extended Campus - College of Professional and Continuing Studies (EC-PACS) exists to provide access to transformational, world-class University of Oklahoma degrees, certifications, and programs for a diverse group of learners. OU Extended Campus is best characterized by the populations it serves, as well as the specialized academic programming it offers. Primarily focusing on the higher education needs of place-bound working adults, military-connected personnel, and those seeking specialized study in selected professional areas (such as Aviation), the College offers a variety of degrees at both graduate and undergraduate levels, including several programs offered collaboratively with other OU Colleges, and utilizing a variety of delivery modes (fully online, hybrid, onsite, cohort-based, etc.). To facilitate understanding of the complex world in which we live and building on its historical roots, the College emphasizes a holistic approach to learning, focuses on the immediate application of learning to one's life and work, promotes lifelong learning opportunities, and encourages the work of active citizenship.

While its programs were originally developed for adult and non-traditional students, many of the activities offered by the College also serve students enrolled in conventional academic programs, as well as the general public. Therefore, in addition to the full-time degree program offerings noted above, EC-PACS is also committed to meeting the educational needs of a wide variety of learners and organizations seeking smaller scale academic options, including credit courses, workshops, academic conferences, certification programs, executive academic programs and academically-oriented professional training services.

Sources: 1) General Catalog of the University of Oklahoma; 2) Health Sciences Center; 3) Extended Campus