

## BACHELOR'S AND BEYOND

Community colleges play a vital role in higher education by providing accessible and affordable education to a diverse student population. To expand our offerings and meet the evolving needs of students, UCC is partnering with four-year colleges and universities to offer bachelor's and higher degrees.

By leveraging the strengths of UCC and our partners, students benefit from a wider range of courses, experienced faculty, and access to resources such as libraries, labs, and career services. Additionally, these partnerships can help address workforce needs by producing graduates with the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed in the local job market. Overall, these collaborations contribute to a more educated workforce and stronger community.

See the exciting partnerships for UCC students here!

### **Grow Your Own (GYO) ([https://mainstreamonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/PDF\\_-GYO-program-information-sheet.pdf](https://mainstreamonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/PDF_-GYO-program-information-sheet.pdf)) with George Fox University (<https://www.georgefox.edu/>)**

The Student Success Act (HB 3427, 2019) mandated state education agencies to develop a plan aimed at enhancing educator development through initiatives funded by the Statewide Education Initiatives Account. The plan, approved in January 2020, prioritized goals such as increasing educator retention, diversity, mentoring, participation in preparation programs, and offering scholarships. It identified Grow Your Own (GYO) programs as a model for achieving these objectives by nurturing local talent, including early learning and care educators. GYO programs, facilitated through local or regional partnerships, offer alternative career pathways tailored to address recruitment and retention challenges across the education continuum. These programs provide personalized support to educator candidates, ensuring their success.

For more information about this opportunity, email Kim Danielson, UCC Douglas PREPS GYO Navigator, at [kim.danielson@umpqua.edu](mailto:kim.danielson@umpqua.edu) or at 541-440-7842.

### **Bachelor's of Applied Business Management with Lane Community College**

Students interested in pursuing a Bachelor of Applied Science in Applied Business Management have the opportunity to transition from Umpqua Community College (UCC) to Lane Community College (LCC) to complete their degree. This professional baccalaureate degree prepares students for management roles in both the private and public sectors. The program integrates classroom learning with cooperative education experiences, allowing students to gain practical skills and academic qualifications.

Students with an associate degree from UCC, including Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer, Associate of Science, and Associate of General Studies, can apply to transfer to LCC to pursue their bachelor's degree. The program accepts students from any associate's degree program in any field, though additional coursework may be required based on prior coursework to fulfill business core and general education requirements. This pathway offers students a unique educational experience that

combines theoretical knowledge with practical training, preparing them for successful careers in business management.

Interested in this opportunity? Talk with a UCC advisor or connect with the Program Coordinator at: [business@lanec.edu](mailto:business@lanec.edu)

### **Bachelor's of Arts in Social Work with Idaho State University (<https://www.isu.edu/sswc/programs/ba-in-social-work/>)**

Umpqua Community College (UCC) has partnered with Idaho State University (ISU) to offer a Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (BASW) degree program, which is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), the national accrediting agency. This collaboration provides students with the opportunity to pursue a high-quality education in social work, preparing them for entry-level generalist practice in the field. The program's mission is to equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to enhance people's lives, empower individuals and communities, and promote human rights and social and economic justice.

Graduates of the program will emerge as dedicated social workers committed to making a positive impact in society. They will be equipped to address the complex challenges facing individuals, families, groups, and communities, advocating for social change and equality. Through this partnership, UCC and ISU aim to meet the growing demand for skilled social workers while ensuring that students receive a comprehensive education that prepares them for successful careers in the field.

Want to learn more? talk to a UCC advisor or apply through Idaho State University by clicking here. (<https://www.isu.edu/sswc/programs/ba-in-social-work/admissions/>)

### **Bachelor's of Science in Nursing with Oregon Health & Sciences University (OHSU) (<https://www.ocne.org/ocne-programs/>)**

UCC is a member of the Oregon Consortium for Nursing Education (OCNE) and offers a competency-based curriculum jointly developed by nursing faculties from the nine community colleges and Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) consortium partners. The core competencies address the need for nurses to be skilled in clinical judgment and critical thinking; evidence-based practice; relationship-centered care; interdisciplinary collaboration; assisting individuals and families in self-care practices for promotion of health and management of chronic and acute illness; end-of-life care; and teaching, delegation, leadership and supervision of caregivers. The first five terms after admission to the UCC Nursing program are identical for the associate and bachelor's degree courses. Term six offers students the ability to complete the AAS degree at UCC and provides the educational eligibility for NCLEX-RN licensure testing. Students who complete the AAS degree at UCC and pass the NCLEX-RN exam also have the option to complete the upper division nursing courses for the bachelor's degree from OHSU (the OHSU bachelor's requirement of statistics may be completed at UCC but 15 credits of upper division non-nursing courses must be completed through other colleges or universities).

If your heart is in caring for others, connect with a UCC advisor to learn more or apply here (<https://umpqua.edu/ucc/academics/find-your-path/nursing/registered-nursing/registered-nurse-apply/>)!

## **Bachelor's of Science in Leadership and Management with Chemeketa Community College**

The BAS in Leadership and Management is designed to help those working adults whose successful use of the technical degree (AAS) has opened up pathways to leadership in their organizations. This 7 term program efficiently puts key leadership and management tools in students hands to help them move on the next phase of their career. Designed to stack on any AAS from an accredited college, there are no prerequisites and all courses integrate working adult's knowledge and experience into classroom learning. One night a week students engage in active learning while harnessing online resources to make the most of limited time. New cohorts start Fall term.

Does this program sound like a good fit for your next step? You can find more information and how to apply, here!!! (<https://www.chemeketa.edu/programs-classes/program-finder/leadership-management/>)

## **Associate of Applied Science: Occupational Therapy Assistant with Linn-Benton Community College**

The AAOT in Pre-Occupational Therapy Assistant is in partnership with Linn Benton Community College and supports students to transfer to Linn-Benton and obtain an AAS. This degree prepares students for entry-level positions as occupational therapy assistants. This two-year program combines classroom instruction with hands-on clinical experience to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of occupational therapy principles and practices. Graduates of the OTA program are prepared to work in a variety of healthcare settings, including hospitals, rehabilitation centers, schools, and nursing homes. They may assist occupational therapists in developing treatment plans, implementing therapeutic activities, and documenting patient progress.

You can find more information regarding this partnership and how to apply on LBCC's website (<https://www.linnbenton.edu/educational-options/healthcare/occupational-therapy-assistant/>)!