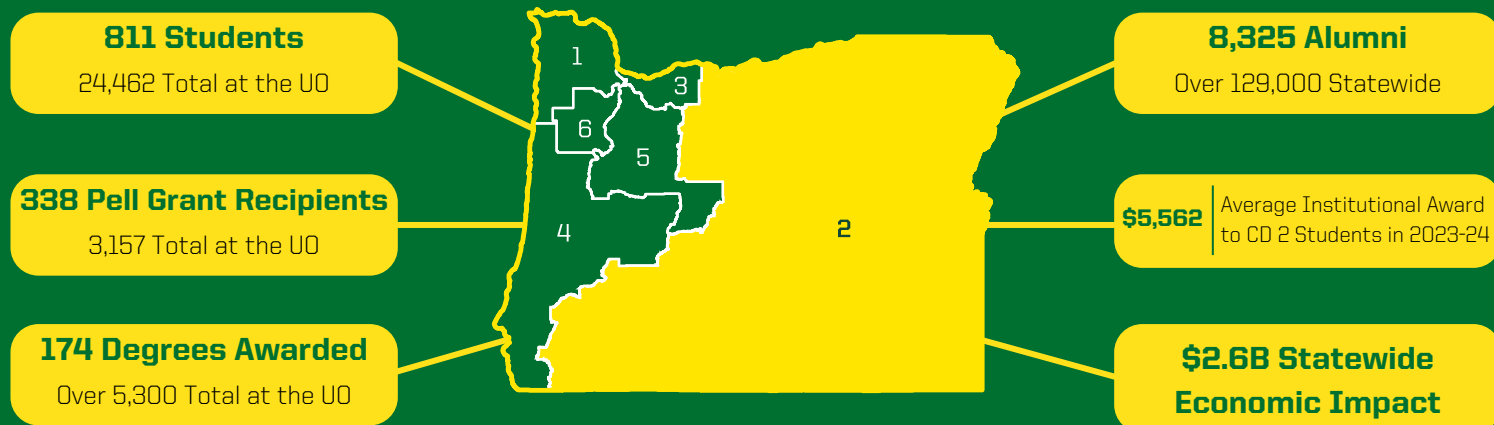




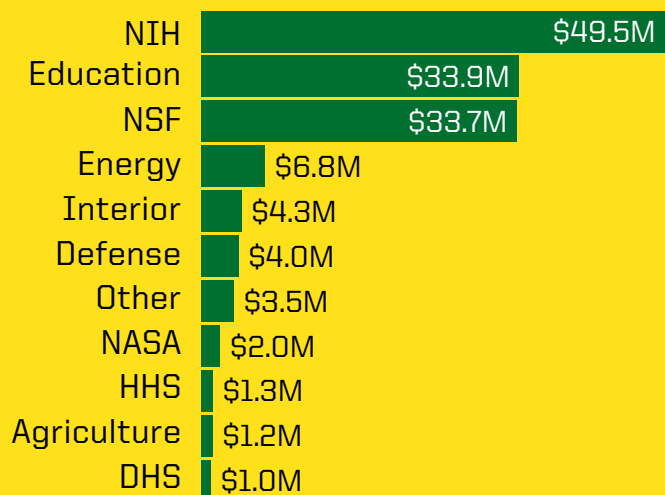
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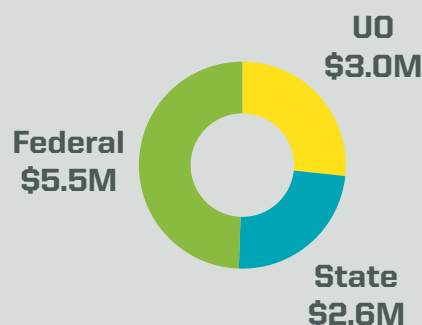
## UO's Resident Undergraduate Student Profile:



## RESEARCH AWARDS IN FISCAL YEAR 2024



## FINANCIAL AID TO STUDENTS IN CD 2



- 532 Institutional Awards to UO Students
- 260 PathwayOregon Students
- 338 Pell Grant Recipients
- 326 Oregon Opportunity Grant Recipients

# HIGHLIGHTS: UO DRIVES SOLUTIONS & STRENGTHENS COMMUNITIES IN CD 2

## Disaster Preparedness

The **Oregon Hazards Lab (OHAZ)** at the UO supports emergency responders with real-time wildfire tracking through a network of cameras across the state and maintains seismic monitoring stations that power the USGS ShakeAlert system in Oregon, delivering rapid earthquake warnings that save lives and protect infrastructure. **OHAZ operates 72 seismic stations and 27 wildfire cameras in CD 2**, enhancing preparedness and safety in the region.



## Housing Solutions Through Mass Timber

Backed by federal funding, the **TallWood Design Institute**—a partnership between UO and OSU—is advancing innovative mass timber solutions that drive sustainable building practices and support Oregon’s timber economy. In CD 2, this work includes **piloting a 4-unit mass plywood-panel housing cluster in Burns**, showcasing how sustainable mass timber construction can address housing needs for rural communities.

## Strengthening Families

An online version of the **Family Check-Up** program, developed at the UO with support from NIH and IES funding, helps families strengthen parenting skills and support child behavioral health. UO researchers recently partnered with organizations in **Douglas, Jackson, and Josephine counties** as part of a study to evaluate the program’s effectiveness. Among study participants—**40% of whom lived in rural areas, including many in CD 2**—parents reported fewer depression symptoms and improved parenting effectiveness compared to nonparticipants.



## Working with Rural Communities

The UO’s **Resource Assistance for Rural Environments (RARE) AmeriCorps Program** embeds members in rural communities for 11 months to tackle critical development and sustainability challenges. The 2024-25 service year includes **14 placements in CD 2**, including the City of La Grande, the Eastern Oregon Visitors Association, the Northeast Oregon Economic Development District, Wy’East Resource Conservation & Development, Lake County Resources Initiative, and the Talent Business Alliance.

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