

KNIGHT CAMPUS ECONOMIC *IMPACT*

The Knight College of Engineering will build on the vision of the Phil and Penny Knight Campus for Accelerating Scientific Impact, expanding engineering education and research, speeding the path from discovery to direct application, and creating more Oregon jobs.

\$3.3B

Projected cumulative
economic activity
generated by the
Knight Campus for the
State of Oregon

Increased economic activity from FY2025-FY2040 should support a projected:

867

jobs a year

Including faculty, staff,
and trainees at the Knight
Campus—as well as jobs
supported elsewhere in
Oregon

\$1.2B

in labor income

Paid to Oregon workers
as the research campus
spends, builds, and hires

\$119M

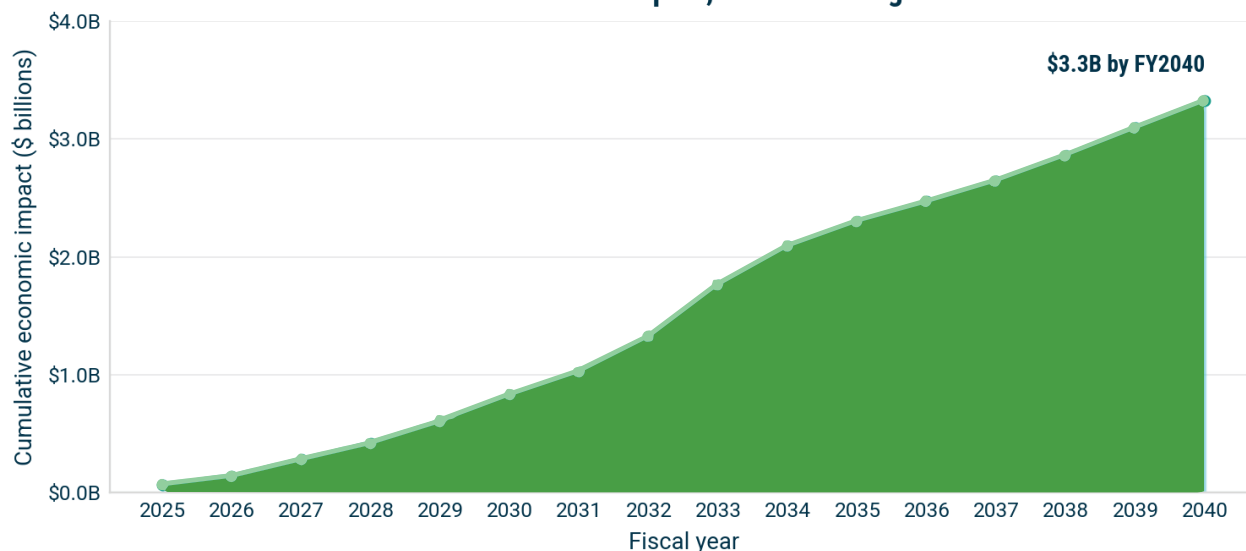
for public services

State and local tax
revenue—\$70.3 million for
the state of Oregon and
\$48.7 million for cities, Lane
County, and special districts



A GROWING CUMULATIVE *IMPACT*

Cumulative Economic Impact, FY2025 through FY2040



BUILT ON AN EXISTING FOUNDATION

Since launching in 2016, the Knight Campus has established UO's first engineering department and graduated its first engineers. Today, 17 research laboratories engage more than 500 students and trainees each year. An engine for entrepreneurship, the campus partners with more than 200 companies and supports more than a dozen student-and faculty-led startups.

MEETING AN OREGON WORKFORCE NEED

Oregon expects about 2,500 engineering job openings each year, according to the Oregon Talent Assessment. The proposed college would prepare engineers and applied scientists in bioengineering and other high-demand fields while helping move research into products, therapies, technologies, and companies.

Source: Economic projections are from Parker Strategy Group's Knight Campus Current and Projected Annual Economic Impact Report and reflect modeled spending in constant 2025 dollars. Campus accomplishments, gift details, and workforce context are from UO's September 23, 2026, announcement.

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for Accelerating Scientific Impact**

\$1B GIFT

On Sept. 23, 2026, the University of Oregon announced the news of Phil and Penny Knight's transformational \$1 billion gift to the University of Oregon for the Knight Campus. This historic gift—the largest given to a comprehensive public university—will enable the campus to scale its academic programs and amplify its mission of accelerated innovation through the launch of the Knight College of Engineering.

"The future of advanced biotechnology and manufacturing depends on local technical talent. Phil and Penny Knight's transformational investment to create the Knight College of Engineering will help train the next generation of scientists and engineers right here in Oregon—strengthening the vital partnerships between industry and higher education that drive discovery, bolster the local economy, and ultimately improve patients' lives."

- Astou Gaye, Vice President, Genentech Hillsboro Innovative Therapies (HIT)