

UO COMMUNITY CONNECTION

SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2025



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UO GOVERNMENT & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

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This bimonthly publication features upcoming events and activities at the University of Oregon's Eugene campus that may impact or interest the local community.

Please note that information is subject to change.

KEY

- Estimated attendance
- Traffic
- Parking
- Sound amplification
- Lights
- Fireworks

*This list is accurate as of
8/26/2025*

Visit goducks.com/calendar
for the most up-to-date
UO Athletics information.

Wednesday, September 3

Matthew Knight Arena: Volleyball

Oregon vs. Portland, 6:00 PM

| 1,500

Saturday, September 6

Autzen Stadium: Football

Oregon vs. Oklahoma State, 12:30 PM

| 55,000

Matthew Knight Arena: Volleyball

Oregon vs. Colorado St., 6:00 PM

| 1,000

Monday, September 15 – Friday, September 19

UO Rec Center Fields: UO Marching

Band, Band Camp Rehearsals

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

*Community is welcome to
watch rehearsal*

Drums, horns, loud
speaker, metronome

Thursday, September 18

Papé Field: Soccer

Oregon vs. Illinois, 7:00 PM

| 500

Friday, September 19

Matthew Knight Arena: Concert

Darius Rucker, 7:00 PM

| 5,000

Saturday, September 20

Autzen Stadium: Football

Oregon vs. Oregon State, Time TBD

| 55,000

Sunday, September 21

Papé Field: Soccer

Oregon vs. Northwestern, 12:00 PM

| 500

Thursday, September 25 – Friday, September 26

ACROSS CAMPUS, ALL DAY

Unpack the Quack

More than 4,000 UO students move into residence halls with the help of family and friends. *Expect traffic and congestion.*

Sunday, September 28

Matthew Knight Arena: Concert

Bert Kreischer, 7:00 PM

| 1,500

Monday, September 29 Fall Term Begins

Friday, October 3

Matthew Knight Arena: Volleyball

Oregon vs. Iowa, 6:00 PM

| 1,500

Saturday, October 4

Matthew Knight Arena: Volleyball

Oregon vs. Ohio State, 6:00 PM

| 1,500

Papé Field: Soccer

Oregon vs. USC, 6:00 PM

| 500

Saturday, October 11

Autzen Stadium: Football

Oregon vs. Indiana, Time TBD

| 55,000

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Sunday, October 12

Matthew Knight Arena: Volleyball
Oregon vs. Washington, 3:00 PM

| 1,500

Thursday, October 16

Papé Field: Soccer
Oregon vs. Wisconsin, 6:00 PM

| 500

Matthew Knight Arena: Concert
Zach Williams, 7:00 PM

| 7,000

Friday, October 17

Matthew Knight Arena: Volleyball
Oregon vs. Minnesota, 6:00 PM

| 1,500

Saturday, October 18

Matthew Knight Arena: Volleyball
Oregon vs. Penn State, 7:00 PM

| 2,000

Thursday, October 19

Papé Field: Soccer
Oregon vs. Minnesota, 12:00 PM

| 500

Friday, October 24

Matthew Knight Arena: Men's Basketball Scrimmage, Time TBD

| 5,000

Saturday, October 25

Autzen Stadium: Football
Oregon vs. Wisconsin, Time TBD

| 55,000

Sunday, October 26

Matthew Knight Arena: Volleyball
Oregon vs. Wisconsin, 1:00 PM

| 2,000

Papé Field: Soccer
Oregon vs. Washington, 1:00 PM

| 500

Thursday, October 30

Matthew Knight Arena: Women's Basketball Scrimmage, Time TBD

| 2,000



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QUACK-TIVITIES

Dive into these exciting events and activities open to the community!

Rally in the Alley @ 5th Street Public Market

When: 5:30 PM, the night before
Oregon home football games.
8/29, 9/5, 9/19, 10/10, 10/24, 11/13, 11/21

Join fellow Duck fans in cheering on the UO football team with a live DJ, fun giveaways and special appearances from The Oregon Duck, UO Cheer Team, UO Alumni Band, and the Duck Truck.

Sponsored by the UO Alumni Association, UO Community Relations, and 5th Street Public Market

ASUO Street Faire

Wednesday, October 15, 10 AM – 6 PM
Thursday, October 16, 10 AM – 6 PM
Friday, October 17, 10 AM – 5 PM

UO's bi-annual street faire, hosted by The Associated Students of the University of Oregon, takes place on E. 13th Ave. through campus and includes dozens of food and vendor booths.

Proceeds from the fair help to fund food security efforts for UO students. Everyone is welcome at ASUO's bi-annual fair, which brings the campus community together in support of food and fun.

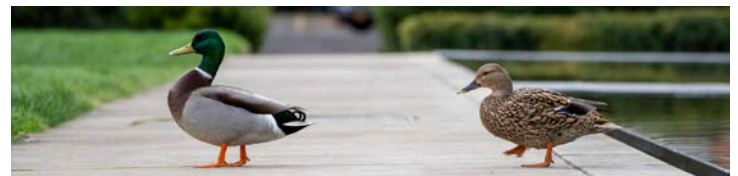
A QUICK NOTE FROM THE UO COMMUNITY RELATIONS TEAM

The University of Oregon is proud to be a good neighbor. If you would like our help addressing a specific UO-related issue in your neighborhood, please email goodneighbor@uoregon.edu.

If you experience a loud party or other activity in a near-campus neighborhood at which you expect UO students are involved and illegal activities are occurring, please:

1) Call the Eugene Police Department non-emergency number (541-682-5111) to report the illegal behavior. Even if EPD does not have time to respond, this documents the incident and our office receives basic details, including the time of call, whether EPD responded, and what actions were taken.

2) Provide details of the incident, including location, time, and an explanation of illegal behaviors and impact to the UO using the goodneighbor@uoregon.edu email. This email goes directly to staff with UO Community Relations, the UO Police Department, and the Office of the Dean of Students.



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UO NATURAL AREAS PROGRAM TACKLES INVASIVE SPECIES TO RESTORE BIODIVERSITY

BY LEO FRAMPTON, ASSISTANT NATURAL AREAS STEWARD

Over the next few weeks, visitors to the Willamette River Natural Area (WRNA) may notice the large-scale removal of a thicket of Siberian Elm trees growing in a dense cluster near the Ruth Bascom Bike Path. This removal is one of many projects being carried out by the newly formed UO Natural Areas Program within the Office of Sustainability—a team dedicated to restoring the UO natural areas.

The Willamette River Natural Area (WRNA) encompasses University of Oregon owned property on the northern edge of campus along the Willamette River. The UO's natural areas program, which also includes the Millrace Natural Area, has a three-pronged mission of creating restoration, engagement, and research opportunities for students and the surrounding community.

Siberian Elms, introduced to Oregon within the last century, are being removed because they are an invasive species that spread rapidly through asexual reproduction (cloning themselves underground). In contrast, onlookers may also notice another Natural Areas project near the elm thicket: 180 new shrubs planted by the Assistant Natural Areas Steward and volunteers, selected for their immense ecological value to local wildlife and pollinators.

These diverse plantings—including red-flowering Currant, Oregon Grape, Douglas Spirea, and Ocean

Spray—are all native to Oregon and will provide berries for birds, pollen for bees, and cover for mammals. Since our local wildlife did not evolve alongside this species of Elm, they receive far fewer ecological benefits from it than they do from these native shrubs.

Another goal of the Natural Areas team is to conduct research on ecological restoration. The shrub planting project is part of an ongoing study that will examine whether using landscape fabric can increase the success of native shrub plantings.

Once the elms are removed, they will be replaced with many of these same native plants. If allowed to remain, the elms would spread into the planting area and outcompete the new shrubs. Digging out a large cluster of elm trees is a visually intense process, but in the very near future, the landscape will be significantly improved—for people and animals alike.

For more information about the Willamette River Natural Area, visit

cpfm.uoregon.edu/willamette-river-natural-area



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NEXT GENERATION HOUSING

Over the next 20 years, the University of Oregon is planning more high-quality, learning-centered residential communities on campus that are compatible with surrounding neighborhoods, provide a gentle transition between higher and lower intensity uses, and serve our growing student community.

To plan a variety of housing types that meet the needs of first-year students, undergraduates, graduates, and families, the UO is in the process of designing **two 800-bed residence halls that will be built on the southeast side of campus between 17th & 19th Avenue and Columbia & Villard Streets.**

The first residence hall is scheduled for completion by fall 2027, and the second residence hall is scheduled for completion by fall 2028.

Code Amendment, Refinement Plan Amendment, and Zone Change (as of August 11, 2025):

In preparation for the Next Generation Housing Phase 2 Residence Hall, which will be located south of 17th Avenue between Moss Street and Moon Lee Lane and is projected to be complete Summer 2028, the UO submitted a code amendment, refinement plan amendment, and zone change to the City of Eugene on March 21, 2025. A code amendment and refinement plan amendment are necessary to build the Phase 2 Residence Hall.

The city has deemed the land use application complete and a Planning Commission hearing is scheduled for 5:30 PM on October 21. The hearing will be held virtually and will include an opportunity for comment on proposed changes.

Eugene Planning Commission agendas can be found at eugene-or.gov/835/Planning-Commission-Meetings

A subsequent Eugene City Council hearing is expected to take place in late fall/early winter.

Application materials can be found on the City of Eugene website by searching for “East Campus University of Oregon” in the city’s land use planning database: pdd.eugene-or.gov/LandUse

For additional information, maps of the Moss alley vacation and Central Kitchen delivery traffic circulation pattern, and public process points and opportunities for input, visit gcr.uoregon.edu/next-generation-housing.



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CONSTRUCTION CORNER

UO Next Generation Housing Phase 1 Residence Hall

The process of abatement (asbestos removal) and removal of UO-owned houses on E. 17th Ave. and Moss St. began in June and was completed in late July. Upcoming activities include excavation for the building foundation, the installation of footings for the tower crane, and the installation of utilities that will be located below the building pad.

TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT ROAD CLOSURES

Moss Alley (Permanent)

The section of Moss Alley within the new building's footprint will be permanently closed once excavation and installation of the foundation begins.

Columbia Street (Temporary)

The temporary road closure of Columbia St. for utility improvements—from 17th Ave. to just north of the UO Central Kitchen—has been postponed from originally announced timing in August. The project team is attempting to install all street-located utilities concurrently to reduce the number of shutdowns.

Work is projected to start between September and November and will last six weeks. Utilities, including sanitary, storm, and electrical, will be installed from 17th Ave. to the new building. The intersection at Columbia St. and 17th Ave. will be partially impacted. Local traffic will still be able to use 17th, though it may be reduced to a single lane at times, with flaggers assisting. Truck routes to the Central Kitchen are continuously reviewed to minimize disruptions.

17th Avenue (Temporary)

Electrical utility work to connect electrical from Columbia St. to campus will occur later this year. This work will require temporary closures of 17th Ave. UO is coordinating with the contractor to explore phased approaches that minimize traffic disruptions. This work will complete the major utility infrastructure work that will necessitate road closures for the project.

These projected dates are accurate as of August 20, 2025; dates of construction are subject to change and will be updated as soon as possible at gcr.uoregon.edu/next-generation-housing.

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CONSTRUCTION CORNER (CONTINUED)

Knight Campus Building 2

Riverfront Parkway and Millrace Drive

The exterior building façade is nearly complete. Exterior hardscapes and planter walls are underway for landscaping. Interior finishes are underway on all levels. Building system startups and testing have begun. The Knight Campus Building 1 north entrance and pedestrian boardwalk between Building 1 and Millrace are closed during the construction of a skybridge connecting Buildings 1 and 2. Riverfront Parkway remains open in all directions with occasional construction traffic. Completion is on schedule for winter 2026.

Demolition of Hamilton Residence Hall Complex

Corner of E. 13th and Agate St.

The Hamilton complex of residence halls will be removed and replaced with green space and an outdoor beach volleyball court, which will be used by the UO Women's Beach Volleyball team. Project completion is expected by late July 2026.

The project has moved from salvage operations into the abatement stage. Abatement (the removal and safe disposal of hazardous materials) will continue through October. The demolition will begin in November with completion in early 2026. Construction will ramp up as demo winds down, with construction completion scheduled for mid-summer.

For all construction projects on the UO Eugene campus with impacts, go to

map.uoregon.edu/construction-impacts.

UO TRANSPORTATION SERVICES **AGATE STREET CORRIDOR STUDY**

In response to input received while conducting community outreach for the UO Transportation Plan, UO Transportation Services has decided to initiate an Agate Street Corridor Study. The Agate Street Corridor Study will identify potential improvements to the corridor from 13th Avenue to 18th Avenue, including the size and type of walking, biking, and motor vehicle facilities to provide. The improvements identified in the Agate Street Corridor Study will be recommendations from UO for the City of Eugene to consider.

A key element of the Agate Street Corridor Plan is to determine what, if any, changes could be made to the traffic control at the 15th Avenue/Agate Street intersection that would benefit the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists and maintain or improve intersection operations for motor vehicles.

Our goal is to support safe and efficient travel needs while effectively coordinating development efforts with the surrounding community.

You can learn more about the UO Transportation Plan at
transportation.uoregon.edu/plan