

Good afternoon. I am an engineering student at Oregon Tech. I think the goal of anointing Oregon Tech as Oregon's Polytechnic University is a just pursuit but the institute is not now ready to be categorized as such and doing so diminishes the title. It is no secret that the existing climate at Oregon Tech is that of deceit and propaganda in the pursuit of assigning credit to achievements to specific people vice the institute as a whole. It is irresponsible to declare an achievement in such a manner. I am excited to spend the next three years at Oregon Tech learning from and working with a world class faculty performing under suffocating management.

Please do not consider my opinion to be insulated or ignorant.

I am a nontraditional student. I spent six decorated years in the nuclear submarine service. I have constructed and commissioned the world's largest power plants on nearly every continent and led teams of hundreds of craft workers. I am currently employed by the globe's largest renewable energy company and the third largest such company in the United States. I have been sent to Oregon Tech to complete their Renewable Energy Engineering curriculum and further dispense that knowledge on a global platform. Oregon Tech should have the ambition to achieve such an incredible goal to be categorized as Oregon's Polytechnic University but we are simply not there yet. Until the current administration accepts that a school is the confluence of professors and students instead of the ability of a management to impose will upon their resources it is not worthy of the title.

I look forward to achieving this goal at some point in the future but today it is not a sound action.

Thank you.

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