Oregon Tech & Direct Admission

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Oregon Tech Direct Admission Pilot

- Feb 23 OT began a DA pilot with Niche
- Ran last half of FA23 cycle
- Will run entire FA24 cycle



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What is Niche?

- Top college search site
- Free for students to use
- Strengths in marketing & recruitment outreach
- 50 million users last year





Why Partner for Direct Admission?

- Existing database
- Existing DA infrastructure including data sharing & logistics management
- Marketing & communication
 support

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Congratulations on your acceptance!

Welcome to Oregon Tech!

Congratulations on your acceptance to Oregon Tech! We are thrilled to offer you direct admission through our partnership with Niche. We know you have what it takes to be a successful member of our university community. At Oregon Tech, you'll gain the knowledge and skills that make our grads the highest paid in the state, build meaningful relationships with friends and professors, and shine as an Oregon Tech Owl.







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Implementation Timeline



1/3/23 Contract signed







Outcomes

• Fall 2023

- 119 admits
- 3 enrolled
- Higher underrepresented student applications
- Fall 2024
 - 207 admits (26%)





Looking Ahead

- Track & analyze enrollments from Niche DA
- Expand Oregonians on Niche to expand DA reach
 - Potential partnered campaign with Niche
- DA pilot with Common App
- Provide resources & support in DA
- Expanding funding & aid



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Direct Admissions Boosts Applications, but Not Enrollment

Large-scale study finds that guaranteeing free, simplified admission increases college applications from minoritized, low-income and first-gen students, but cost still deters them from enrolling.

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