



Legislative Fiscal Office
 82nd Oregon Legislative Assembly
 2024 Regular Session

Prepared by: Emily Coates
 Reviewed by: Kim To
 Date: February 13, 2024

Bill Title: Relating to higher education.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Oregon Health and Science University, Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2023-25 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Higher Education Coordinating Commission	\$ 83,623	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 83,623	1	0.25
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 83,623	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 83,623	1	0.25

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Higher Education Coordinating Commission	\$ 5,329,077	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,329,077	1	1.00
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 5,329,077	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,329,077	1	1.00

Measure Description

The measure requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to establish a grant program for the purpose of supporting organizations to expand the scope and community reach of college access and success programs. The measure requires the commission to adopt rules necessary for the administration of the grant program, including the form and timelines for applying, determining whether an organization is eligible for a grant, calculating the amount to award recipients, and collecting data required to evaluate program effectiveness.

Fiscal Analysis

Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Assuming available grant funding of \$5 million each biennium, to administer the grant program, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission anticipates needing one Education Program Specialist 2 position to provide administrative support for the grant process. This position is priced at \$83,623 for the 6 months of the 2023-25 biennium. The cost for this position for the full 24 months of the 2025-27 biennium is \$329,077.

The Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO) notes that the agency’s 2023-25 legislatively adopted budget, includes \$5 million in one-time funding for grants to the following organizations to expand the scope and community reach of college access and success programs:

- \$1 million to ASPIRE: to expand the number of ASPIRE sites across the state and increase the size of the participation grants to expand college and career preparation resources, transition activities, career training resources, and staff/volunteer training for each site.
- \$1 million to College Possible: to reduce barriers to students in accessing post-secondary education, especially students from underserved backgrounds.

- Oregon TRIO Association (TRIO): to promote educational equity, access, and opportunity for underrepresented students.
- Advancement via Individual Determination (AVID): for educators to assist their students, and to expand the AVID College Readiness System to additional school districts.
- Build EXITO: the National Institutes of Health’s Building Infrastructure leading to Diversity (BUILD) initiative in Oregon, is an undergraduate research training program for students. The funding is anticipated to increase the organization’s recruitment efforts with partner community colleges in the Portland metro area, provide sophomore research preparation for students, and recruit professional research mentors at the Oregon Health and Science University and Portland State University.

Oregon Health and Science University

There is no fiscal impact on the Oregon Health and Science University.

Relevant Dates

The measure takes effect on January 1, 2025.