CATALOG INTRODUCTION

An Oklahoma State University education is about providing access, choices and value. It's about stewarding the timeless responsibility that comes with being a land-grant institution. Through teaching, research and Extension, OSU is committed to raising successive generations of servant-leaders, engaging as vital members of their communities; bringing research and new knowledge to bear to prepare students for the world they will enter; and extending critical knowledge and expertise to meet society's most pressing problems—the "Grand Challenges" facing civilization.

OSU is forging a deliberate path to become the preeminent land-grant institution with a world-wide reach. Our faculty includes leaders in their fields and an array of nationally published authors and scientists. OSU provides world-class education to all students—full-time, part-time, adult and non-traditional.

Our investment in teaching and research creates an educational experience that is intellectually challenging and has practical value far beyond the classroom. OSU students learn hands-on while working with world-class experts, scientists, artists and intellectuals on cutting-edge research that is changing the way we live.

OSU has been recognized for its educational value by *U.S. News* & *World Report, Forbes, Princeton Review* and *Kiplinger*. The *Wall Street Journal* listed OSU among the nation's top schools for best preparing graduates for success, as determined by corporate recruiters. OSU was internationally recognized by QS Stars (https://news.okstate.edu/articles/communications/2024/osu_receives_top_marks_in_qs_stars_international_ratings.html) for educational value as well.

OSU also is home to nearly 1,400 valedictorians, and a long list of Rhodes, Truman, Marshall, Udall, Goldwater, Gates, Phi Kappa Phi and other national scholars. OSU allows students to stretch their learning with its nationally-recognized Honors College, offers unique opportunities for undergraduate research and provides advising and academic support services through its University College.

With more choices, top faculty and cutting-edge resources all at a great value, Oklahoma State University is the place for a world-class education.

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