



## University Mission

EOU guides student inquiry through integrated, high-quality liberal arts and professional programs that lead to responsible and reflective action in a diverse and interconnected world.

As an educational, cultural and scholarly center, EOU connects the rural regions of Oregon to a wider world. Our beautiful setting and small size enhance the personal attention our students receive, while partnerships with colleges, universities, agencies and communities add to the educational possibilities of our region and state.

## About Eastern Oregon University

Four seasons. Wide open spaces. Flexible options. Great connections. Discover Eastern Oregon University, where the wilderness is your backyard and students are just a click away from infinite possibilities via a totally wireless campus. Classes are offered on campus, online and onsite.

With more than 20 bachelor's degree programs ranging from anthropology to theatre arts and everything in between, EOU also offers degrees in agriculture, nursing and engineering through cooperative partnerships, as well as pre-professional programs. EOU's master's degree programs are in business, teacher education and science in teacher education. It's one of the best educations money can buy, and there is no out-of-state tuition!

Students at EOU interact directly with high-caliber teaching faculty in small classes—usually fewer than 20 students—and no courses are taught by teaching assistants. Nine complete degrees and 18 different minors are available entirely online.

By participating in undergraduate research, internships, international experiences and community service, EOU graduates are well prepared to succeed in today's global environment.

## *Hail, Eastern Oregon*

Hail, Eastern Oregon pride of the Blue and Gold.

We stand before your majesty with friends both new and old.

You shine upon the hillside a beacon where 'ere we roam,

Forever in our hearts and minds your mountains call us home.

Hail, Mountaineers, we sing to thee, our voices rise in harmony.

Send forth a cheer from East to West, of loyal truths, and truth's request.

In your unfading beauty we seek to keep you strong,

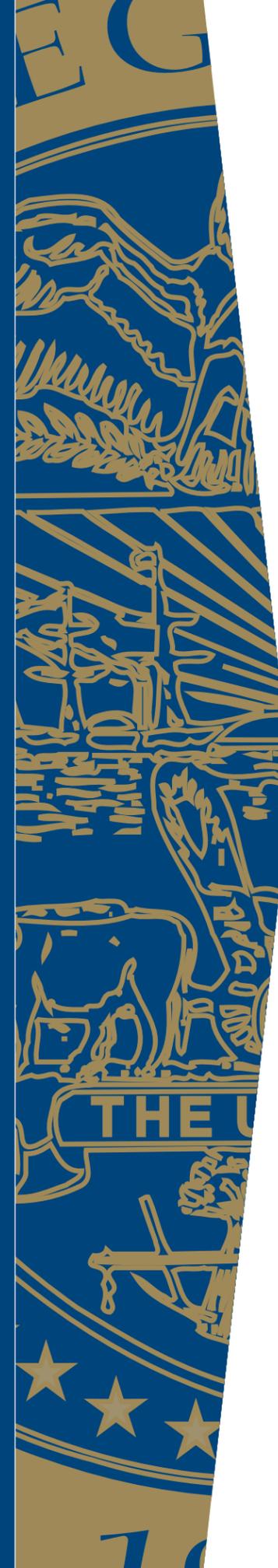
We praise these halls of learning,

Our Eastern Oregon.

## EASTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY

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*The investiture of*

**ROBERT O. DAVIES**

*as the eleventh president of*

**EASTERN OREGON  
UNIVERSITY**



# Investiture Ceremony

Thursday, the Fifteenth Day of October  
Two Thousand Nine  
at Three O'clock in the Afternoon  
McKenzie Theatre, Mary Jane Loso Hall  
Eastern Oregon University

## Prelude

### Academic Procession

Please rise for the faculty of the university

### Master of Ceremonies

W. Gregory Monahan, Ph.D.  
Professor of History, Eastern Oregon University

### Welcome

Dixie Lund, '73, Ed.D.  
President (retired), Eastern Oregon University

### Greetings and Salutations

*From the Alumni*  
Michael Daugherty, '74  
President, Eastern Oregon University Alumni Association

*From the Foundation*  
Steven Joseph, '72, J.D.  
President, Eastern Oregon University Foundation

*From the Faculty*  
Deanna Timmermann, '88, Ph.D.  
Chair of the Faculty Senate

*From the University Council*  
Anna Maria Dill  
Chair of the University Council

*From the Students*  
Rellani Ogumoro  
President, Associated Students of Eastern Oregon University

*From the Community*  
Steve McClure  
Union County Commissioner

*From the Confederated Tribes of the  
Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR)*  
Antone Minthorn  
Chairman, CTUIR Board of Trustees

*From the Legislature*  
Greg Smith, '94

### Choral Performance

Eastern Oregon University Chamber Choir  
"The Choir Invisible" by David Childs

### Investiture

George Pernsteiner  
Chancellor, Oregon University System

### Introduction of the President

Richard O. Davies, Ph.D.  
Distinguished University Professor of History  
University of Nevada, Reno

### Investiture Address

Robert O. Davies, Ph.D.  
President, Eastern Oregon University

### Alma Mater

"Hail, Eastern Oregon," by John McKinnon

### Recessional

Eastern Oregon University African Drumming Ensemble

### Reception

Please join the university community  
for a celebration in the Loso Hall foyer.

## Robert O. Davies, Ph.D.

Bob Davies was named President of Eastern Oregon University on March 20, 2009 and assumed the duties officially on July 1. Since the announcement and during the transition, Davies worked closely with retired EOU President Dixie Lund and made a total of six trips to Oregon. From many discussions during these trips, Davies is recommitting to the core principles that served the university well during its early stages. Davies has stated that "EOU thrived when the university committed itself and its resources to providing individuals access to higher education regardless of their time and place; ensuring it was at an affordable cost; and being engaged in meeting the challenges of the community by creating partnerships to seize current, or create new, opportunities. Access, affordability and engagement is what made EOU a great university and this is what we must avail ourselves to today."

Davies earned his Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from the University at Buffalo. His field of study and continued area of academic inquiry is presidential leadership. He earned his MBA from the University of Oregon and his undergraduate degree, also in business, from the University of Nevada, Reno. He has earned two advanced certificates from the Graduate School of Harvard in Higher Education Administration and Leadership.

Davies, his wife Cindy and daughter Katie, moved to La Grande in early June and immediately became part of the community. The Davies family has attended six county fairs, purchased a pig—named Fez—at the Union County Fair, participated in nine parades, and yes, they rode horses in several of these including the Pendleton Round-Up. Katie is in the third grade at Central Elementary and Cindy is a member of the PTA and in the process of starting a Girl Scout troop. Katie is taking riding lessons and like many girls her age, asks daily for her own horse.

