

STATE APPROACHES TO THE COLLEGE ENROLLMENT CRISIS

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

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Undergraduate student bodies at 11 of our 25 state system institutions are majority non-white.







Each year, Oklahomans leave **\$63 million** in Pell funding on the table by not completing the FAFSA.

- SB 93 implements FAFSA completion as a high school graduation requirement beginning in 2024-25 academic year.
- > Oklahoma FAFSA Data Portal
 - Free online tool that helps counselors track FAFSA completion among high school seniors to provide more targeted assistance.





<u>ShowWhatYouKnowOK.org</u> makes it easier and faster for Oklahomans to upskill their careers by leveraging previous life and work experiences toward degree completion.

PREVIOUS COLLEGE STUDENT?

SWYK connects students to the Course Equivalency Project, which streamlines transfer of credits for over 8,000 courses offered at Oklahoma institutions.

MILITARY OR VETERAN?

SWYK helps students identify colleges and universities that provide credit hours in recognition of military experiences, searchable by service branch, institution, and subject area.

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ATTENDED CAREER TECH?

Students may be eligible to receive college credit applicable toward a degree for work completed through more than 360 cooperative agreements, which are searchable on the SWYK site.

HAVE AN INDUSTRY CREDENTIAL?

SWYK features a searchable inventory of nationally recognized industry credentials approved for college credit in key industries such as aviation, engineering technology, and health care.



UpskillOK brings together three stakeholders through career-ready micro-credential and certificate programs:

- Employers, which need to find, grow and keep talent;
- Learners, who need to develop and demonstrate jobrelevant skills; and
- Higher education institutions, which create pathways to connect them.





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GRADUATES EMPLOYED IN OKLAHOMA AFTER GRADUATION

| | Oklahoma Residents | Non-Residents who attend Oklahoma Institutions | Total Employment Rate |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------|
| 1-Year after Graduation | 89.7% | 65.6% | 83.7% |
| 5-Years after Graduation | 87.5% | 61.5% | 81.3% |

SOURCE: Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Oklahoma Tax Commission

METHODOLOGY:

Data match between OSRHE, OESC, and OTC records to determine percent of state system graduates who remain in the state and are employed in the state 1-Year and 5-Years after graduation.



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