

On November 15th, the Oregon Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) reported significant growth in overall student headcount and full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment. Rogue Community College is also celebrating this upward trend, with promising increases in its own enrollment figures.

RCC has seen more than a 14% increase in FTE enrollment for the 2024 fall term compared to the same period last year alongside a nearly 10% increase in students. Leadership at the local community college said this upward trajectory reflects RCC's commitment to creating pathways to success for its students, and it aligns with the state and national trend of rising enrollment in community colleges.

RCC President Randy Weber said the enrollment gains are a testament to the dedication of their faculty and staff who have embraced strategic initiatives to stabilize enrollment, improve student success and strengthen partnerships in the Southern Oregon community.

RCC's growth over the past three years has consistently outpaced the state average. The school's 30.7% increase in fall headcount from 3,973 in 2021 to 5,197 in 2024, and 47% increase in FTE from 887.7 to 1,276.6 are more than triple the state averages.

RCC officials attribute the college's success to intentional efforts to improve accessibility and student outcomes. Key strategies have also included implementing early alert systems to identify and support students at risk, refining course schedules to improve FTE and offering programs aligned with employer needs to strengthen the workforce pipeline.

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