

# Clackamas in negotiations to buy remodeled OIT wing



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The newly remodeled wing of the Oregon Institute of Technology contains nine classrooms and office space used by Clackamas. The college is now looking to purchase the wing.

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Clackamas is currently negotiating to purchase the newly remodeled wing of the Oregon Institute of Technology to provide a better service to students living in North Clackamas.

Four years ago, the college agreed to financially help OIT remodel a portion of its facilities. In exchange for this aid, the college was granted the use of nine new classrooms and office space. All of this was done under a lease/purchase agreement.

Within the last year, Clackamas has decided to purchase the portion of OIT being used as a more cost-effective method of using this

space. With the addition of this new wing, the college has been able to expand both the number of classes offered for credit and the manufacturing programs.

"The number of classes offered has doubled, and student enrollment has jumped from 850 to more than 1000 students," said Debbie Baker, chair of the community education department at Harmony.

Students are now able to work towards their Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer degrees without setting foot on the Oregon City campus, with the exception of lab science. The benefits of this purchase are immense and highly anticipated, and Clackamas expects negotiations to be finalized before winter term.

## War won't affect financial aid

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available including talent waivers and department internships.

"The waivers are basically monies that are the college has allowed a department to utilize in order to help a student who is assisting them in a lot of different ways," informed Jackson. "Talent waivers are sort of like a scholarship. Usually they are given out to students in the athletics, theater and music department."

According to Jackson, the fact that the United States is at war will not affect the college's scholarship base or financial aid support in any way.

"Scholarships are based on monies that are raised by the CCC Foundation. So, that money is guaranteed. It's a really solid, firm basis," explained Jackson. "We were informed that the House of Senate decided not to cut back financial

aid money. Instead, they are thinking about an increase."

Scholarship and financial aid applications are available in the Community Center at the financial aid display. For more information call Mary Jo Jackson at X 2702.

## Tough rules protect students' rights to privacy, security

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*Staff Writer*

Students concerned about the security of their personal information due to recent anti-terrorist crusading will find that Clackamas has strict standards for the release of student information.

"Students' personal information will not be released without good reason", said

Roni Wilhelm, of student enrollment services.

Clackamas' standards for the release of information are stricter than required by law.

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The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 serves to keep student personal information confidential. Recently, the FERPA standards were relaxed for information on international students.

According to Wilhelm though, Clackamas will not release info to the FBI "except on a case by case basis, with a meeting held between the dean, the associate dean and the registrar" to determine the legitimacy of the request.

If a court subpoena is issued requesting information, the college is legally bound to provide it.

For more information on the college's student privacy policy, you can find it on page seven of the Fall Schedule, in the Student Catalog, or on the college's web site at [www.clackamas.cc.or.us](http://www.clackamas.cc.or.us).

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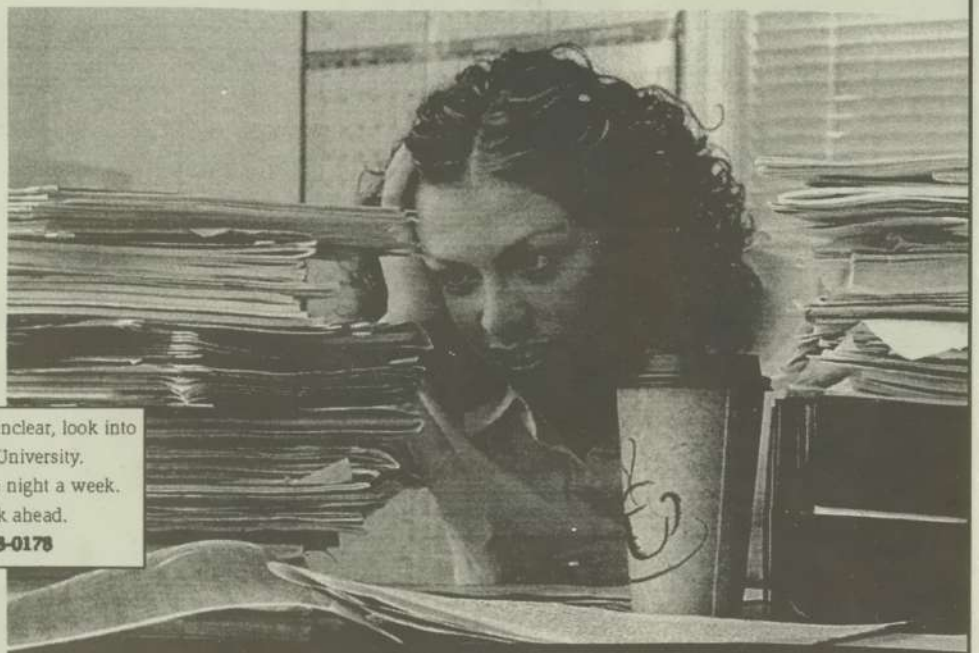
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