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**NOVA 'Decoding the Weather Machine' Screening and Q/A Panel**  
 Memorial Union Building, Ballroom  
 7 p.m.

The Oregon State University Student Chapter of the American Meteorological Society (AMS) is hosting a screening of the NOVA documentary "Decoding the Weather Machine". The documentary focuses on severe weather events and their relationship to a changing climate, as well as adaptation and mitigation of climate change.

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30**

**Winterfest for less stress**  
 Memorial Union Building, Lounge  
 4 - 7 p.m.

Join us for an evening of connection, kindness and skill-building as we explore positive mental health and resiliency. Relax and de-stress with bike-powered smoothies, a mini mind spa and watercolor painting. Refreshments provided.

**Catch Me if You Can: Today's Pink Collar Criminal**

Learning Innovation Center (LINC), 228  
 6 p.m.  
 Join renowned Pink Collar Crime expert Kelly Paxton to understand the growing issue of embezzlement. This topic is Kelly's most widely requested due to the recent increase in embezzlement and fraud. Kelly will show you what to look for in your business to make sure your most trusted employee is not a Pink Collar Criminal.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 31**

**From Here to Career: Get Connected, Marketing My Experience**

Student Experience Center, 112  
 Noon - 1 p.m.  
 Come to this workshop to learn how to translate the skills you gained through work-study, study abroad, student organizations, and service learning experiences into awesome cover letters, resumes, and interview answers.

**FRIDAY, FEB. 1**

**Music a la Carte: Violinist Sarah Kwak and pianist Cary Lewis**  
 Memorial Union Building, Main Lounge  
 Noon - 1 p.m.

Music a la Carte welcomes back violinist Sarah Kwak, concertmaster of the Oregon Symphony and pianist Cary Lewis of the Lanier Trio. Free and open to the public.

**The Visiting Writers Series Presents Tomás Q. Morin**

Withycombe Hall, The Lab Theatre  
 7:30 - 9 p.m.  
 Tomás Q. Morin is the author of Patient Zero and A Larger Country, winner of the APR/Honickman Prize and runner-up for the PEN Osterweil Award.



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 Tres Tinkle plays against Washington on Jan. 26. The Beavers lost 69-79.

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**COVER:** Lacy Dagen performs on beam at her Oregon State University Gymnastics debut. Photo by Erick Branner, Orange Media Network.



# Fire's impact on research lingers

Equipment compromised, research set back as a result of Burt Hall blaze

By CHLOE STEWART  
News Contributor

The Keck laboratory, a previously clean and highly-specialized workspace, now sits under a layer of dirt. An airlock, situated on the wall shared with the lab where the fire originated, sits open and seemingly unused for some time. Gowns intended to cover researchers' clothes, a once mandatory step to gain entry to the lab, hang in the airlock now unused. The ground is covered with a layer of debris and dirt, including small pieces of charcoal. Large machines sit dormant and visibly out of place.

"When I first walked into that laboratory, it looked like somebody had taken a bucket of mud and just strewn it all over the place," said Tuba Özkan-Haller, professor and associate dean for Research and Faculty Advancement in the College of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric sciences. "The chunks of burnt material that floated into that space. It was truly saddening to see it in that state."

According to Özkan-Haller, CEOAS is very research active, with approximately 100 faculty, 200 graduate students and 800 undergraduate students. Following the fire in Burt 2, approximately a quarter of all faculty research has been affected. However, this is not a definitive figure—Özkan-Haller indicated the college

*(Graduate students) were sort of clutching sopping wet things and... the impact really becomes clear when you talk to these folks who just potentially watched their career trajectory change.*

TUBA ÖZKAN-HALLER  
Professor and Associate Dean for Research  
and Faculty Advancement in CEOAS

is still working to determine the extent of the impact on research.

"One of the saddest pieces, of course, is graduate students who are working there have just watched their research come to a screeching halt," Özkan-Haller said.

She then went on to describe the scene that unfolded the first time grad students were

allowed back in the building after the fire.

"The first night we were finally able to get folks in for just five minutes at a time, to get some stuff out of the building because it was clear that the building was going to be closed for a while, and just watching those graduate students, you know—what do you take? They were sort of clutching sopping wet things," Özkan-Haller said. "The impact really becomes clear when you talk to these folks who just potentially watched their career trajectory change."

Nicole Rocco, a master's student who worked in the Keck lab with the highly sensitive and specialized equipment, is one of those students. Since the fire, the course of Rocco's research has changed in two primary ways. First, the timeline of her project has been changed, extending her MS by at least one or two terms. Second, an important part of the research has had to be dropped.

Before the fire, Kent and Rocco were working together to develop a novel analytical method to use with her samples. The new technique would combine some of the highly-specialized equipment that existed in the Keck lab and a different method in which Kent is considered an expert. However, the damage done to the lab environment and the equipment means that Rocco is unable to analyze the samples in this way.

"We have a really unique setup in that lab,

and I don't really have the same opportunity to go to another lab for that," Rocco said.

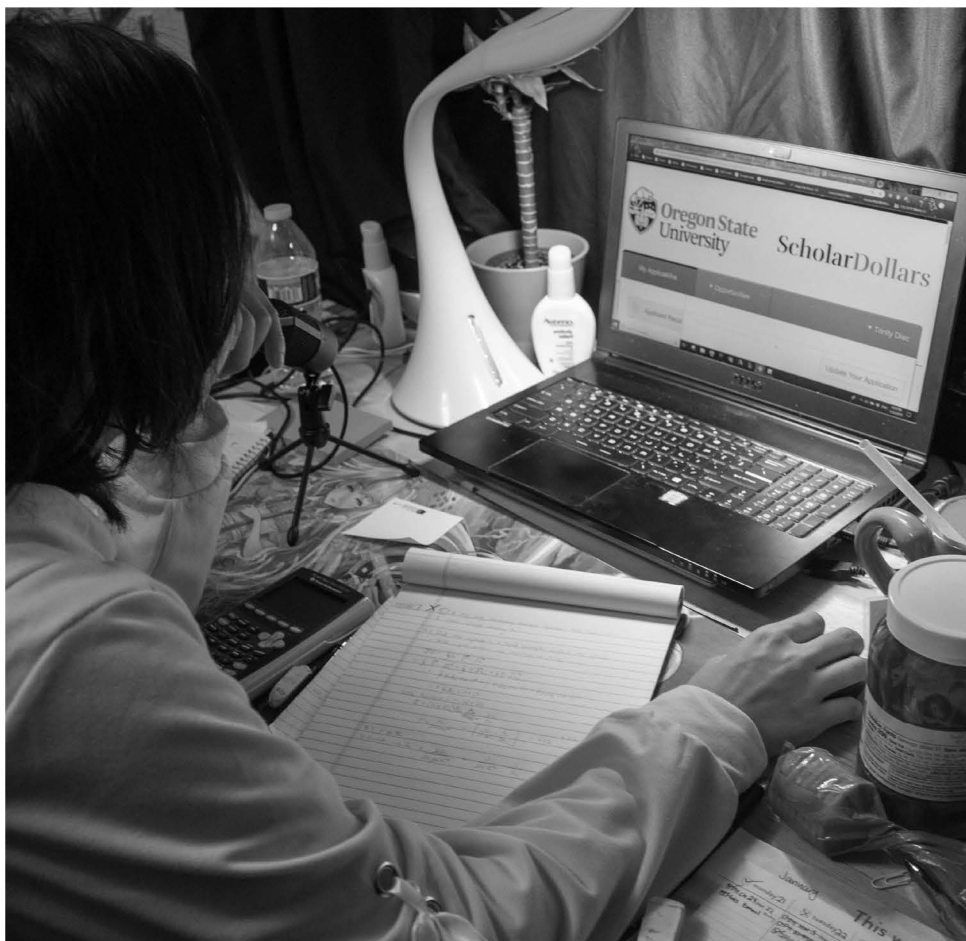
However, in spite of these difficulties, Rocco has tried to view this as an opportunity to strengthen her skills as a researcher and found support in the resilience of the CEOAS community.

"It's been pretty clear over the last month and a half that we have a pretty strong group and I'm just thankful to be a part of it," Rocco said.

In total, Burt 2 contained six specialized environment facilities, in addition to more generalized lab spaces. Since the fire, Özkan-Haller indicated that most of the non-specialized labs and those that work in them have been temporarily relocated or otherwise taken care of.

The aforementioned Keck lab is one of the specialized environment facilities because of the very specific and difficult to maintain environmental conditions that existed in that space. With specialized air filtration mechanisms in the ceiling, limitations on the amount of metal that can be within the lab and an airlock with sanitary clothing covers for those who enter the lab, this lab was a very uniquely-maintained facility. Further, the lab was home to a great deal of highly-sensitive research equipment.

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Trinity Diec, a third-year pre-industrial engineering student, reviews her ScholarDollars portal. One ScholarDollars application submits students for over 1,600 scholarships.

## New scholarship tool's recommended deadline approaches

By MORGAN MAWN  
News Contributor

ScholarDollars, an online search and application tool for Oregon State University scholarships, launched Nov. 1, 2018 with a goal of connecting students to potential sources of funding. Its deadline to submit an application is approaching.

Colleen Conniff, director of Scholarships at OSU, said ScholarDollars aims to provide students with an efficient, secure and user-friendly scholarship application experience. ScholarDollars differs from previous OSU scholarship application programs in that it only requires students to fill out one application, which will then be matched to many different scholarship opportunities at once. Students who wish to participate should try to submit their applications by Feb. 1. Over 1,600 campus scholarships are available through this service, with varying deadlines.

"OSU ScholarDollars reviews each student's application and automatically routes it to every scholarship for which the student meets the min-

imum eligibility criteria. OSU ScholarDollars also offers a searchable database of third-party scholarships," Conniff said.

All OSU students are eligible to submit a ScholarDollars application, and the OSU Scholarships Office recommends students submit their applications by Feb. 1, due to the majority of the scholarship opportunities' deadlines landing on Feb. 15.

Students can log into the ScholarDollars tool with their ONID username and password to take advantage of what the tool has to offer.

Conniff believes all students should use the ScholarDollars tool to search for scholarships in order to combat the growing costs of college.

"Higher education is a significant investment, and each new scholarship OSU can offer helps make college more affordable and reduces financial barriers for our students," Conniff said via email.

OSU students can now use the ScholarDollars tool to connect with scholarships in an efficient fashion and maximize their scholarship opportunities to lessen the burden of college costs.





ISABEL SCHOLZ | ORANGE MEDIA NETWORK

Thomas Wood, president of the Oregon State University Blacksmithing Club, works on a project.

# Blacksmithing Club prepares for third competition

## Damascus steel-styled bowie knife hoped to snag group's second win

By ALEXIS CAMPBELL  
News Contributor

In the back corner of the Rogers Hall basement, members of the Oregon State University Blacksmithing Club have been hard at work on their creation.

In March, the club will enter a blade into the biennial Bladesmithing Competition, held by The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society. This will be its third time participating in this competition.

According to Thomas Wood, a mechanical engineering post-baccalaureate student who currently serves as the club's president, the project was a true team effort.

"There's plenty of stuff to do, especially the hammering out portion," Wood said. "We don't have a power hammer so all the hammering was done by hand. So it was quite helpful to have multiple people doing the forging process."

For this year's entry, four club members created a bowie knife, a type of long double-edged blade.

The completed blade was made by pattern-welding, a method known colloquially as Modern Damascus. With this method, patterns in the the knife are created by stacking and welding together similar, yet different types of metals. According to Wood, this is particularly difficult to accomplish by hand, without a forge press.

"It takes a lot of time and it's not always super consistent on whether you get the bond correctly," Wood said.

According to Wood, members worked four to six hours a night for a week to complete the knife. However, producing a blade is only part of the TMS competition.

Lucas Teeter, a Ph.D candidate in materials science, was one of the original three founding members of the Blacksmithing Club. Along with the other founders, he created the club in 2015 to compete in the first TMS Bladesmithing Competition, which they won. According to Teeter, the competition is primarily academic.

"They put a much higher emphasis on scientific characterization and the metallurgy of the blade, rather than someone who's just buying a knife because they're a knife collector," Teeter said.

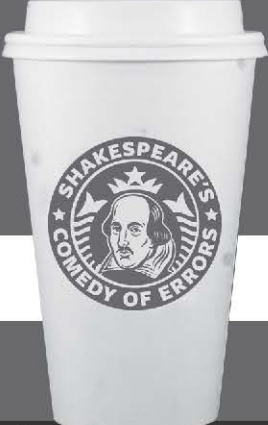
During judging, the blade counts for as much as the scientific report that is turned in with it. A required poster and video presentation also factor into the final score.

As a graduate student, Teeter has access to tools that help him to write the report - scanning electron microscopes, hardness testers, etc. All blades at the competition must be dull, so cutting and chopping do not factor in to the competition.

"They're trying to make it fair across institutions, because it's a student competition. Some universities have a problem with producing weapons on campus. So if we don't sharpen the knife, it's not a weapon," Teeter said.

Chemistry Instructor Christopher Knutson, Ph.D, is an adviser for the club and helps

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The Oregon State University Blacksmithing Club works on a project in preparation for the biennial Bladesmithing Competition held by The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society. Its first time competing in this event, the Blacksmithing Club won, and they are hoping to have a repeat victory this coming March.

#### BLACKSMITH, *Continued from page 4*

with recruiting, training and ensuring that safety protocols are followed. According to Knutson, one of the primary benefits of participating in the club is the organizational skills that a student can develop.

“It is a team effort, and all of the organizational skills of bringing a high-quality product to competition are very important activities for engineers to learn by doing,” Knutson said via email. “Students not only learn to do long-term planning and organized reporting, but they also learn a great deal about networking when they go to the actual competition.”

Participating in the club also helps engineering students gain experience in concepts that they may otherwise only read about in textbooks, according to Knutson.

“I find that the hands-on experience with heat and work exchanges help the students better comprehend what they are mathematically modeling in classes like Thermodynamics and

Materials Science,” Knutson said via email.

During the time between competitions, the Blacksmithing Club functions mostly as an educational resource for those wanting to learn the skill. In the past year, membership of the club has grown from the original three to around 20 regular members. Wood generally takes the lead on instructing new members.

“I get people here that have never swung a hammer in their life. They don’t even know how to hold the thing properly so you teach them how to hold it, how to stand, where to hit it, how to hit it, and you just give them a place and some tools to practice,” Wood said.

For Wood, it is difficult to recall a favorite project that he has worked on in the Blacksmithing Club, because he believes there is something to learn from every new project.

“Usually whatever project I’m working on at the moment is my favorite. It’s something new, you’re learning something new, trying something you’ve never done before, and if it turns out well it’s a success. Even failing, you usually learn something interesting,” Wood said.



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Thomas Wood, president of the Blacksmithing Club, holds a bowie knife the group has been working on to enter into the Bladesmithing Competition.





CLAIRE NELSON | ORANGE MEDIA NETWORK

The Oregon State University Keck Laboratory, previously held to high levels of cleanliness, is covered in a layer of soot. Many pieces of equipment have been rendered unusable for now, halting research.

### RESEARCH, *Continued from page 3*

Walking through the now open and damaged lab, Adam Kent, Professor of Geophysics and Director of the Keck lab, joked that it could hardly get worse.

“Walking around in here probably makes it cleaner because we carry some of it out on our shoes with us,” Kent said.

The Keck lab shared a wall with the lab where the fire originated last term. Following the fire, water flooded in, bringing with it soot, dirt and charred material. In its current state, according to Kent, all research has ground to a halt. Kent also explained that some of the scientific equipment hasn’t even been turned on since the fire.

“Basically, we are doing nothing at the moment apart from fire recovery,” Kent said. “It’s an all-engaging process. Basically, what we have to do is we’ve had to evaluate all the equipment we have, work out what’s going to happen to it—for instance, whether they’re repairable or whether we will buy new equipment—we’re having to move out of all of those facilities and moving equipment like this is not trivial. In fact, we have some equipment that the only way we could get it into the building was by taking a window out and craning it in through the second floor because it’s big.”

Another of the highly-specialized facilities affected is the OSU Argon Geochronology lab, in which researchers can measure the amount of argon in a rock or mineral and use this to derive when in geological history it formed. This lab was on the third floor of the building, one of the furthest from the fire’s origin.

However, this doesn’t mean that it was immune from damage. The smoke rising from the fire made its way up to the third floor and deposited a layer of soot throughout the entire lab. This layer of soot covers the scientific equipment, including mass spectrometers and highly sensitive microscopes, as well.

Anthony Koppers, Professor of Marine Geology and Geophysics and Director of the

Argon Geochronology lab, explained that this soot poses a significant problem to the lab.

“Now you would think you could clean that off, potentially, but the composition of soot is in such a way that it is a highly unwanted contaminant in my measurements, Koppers said.

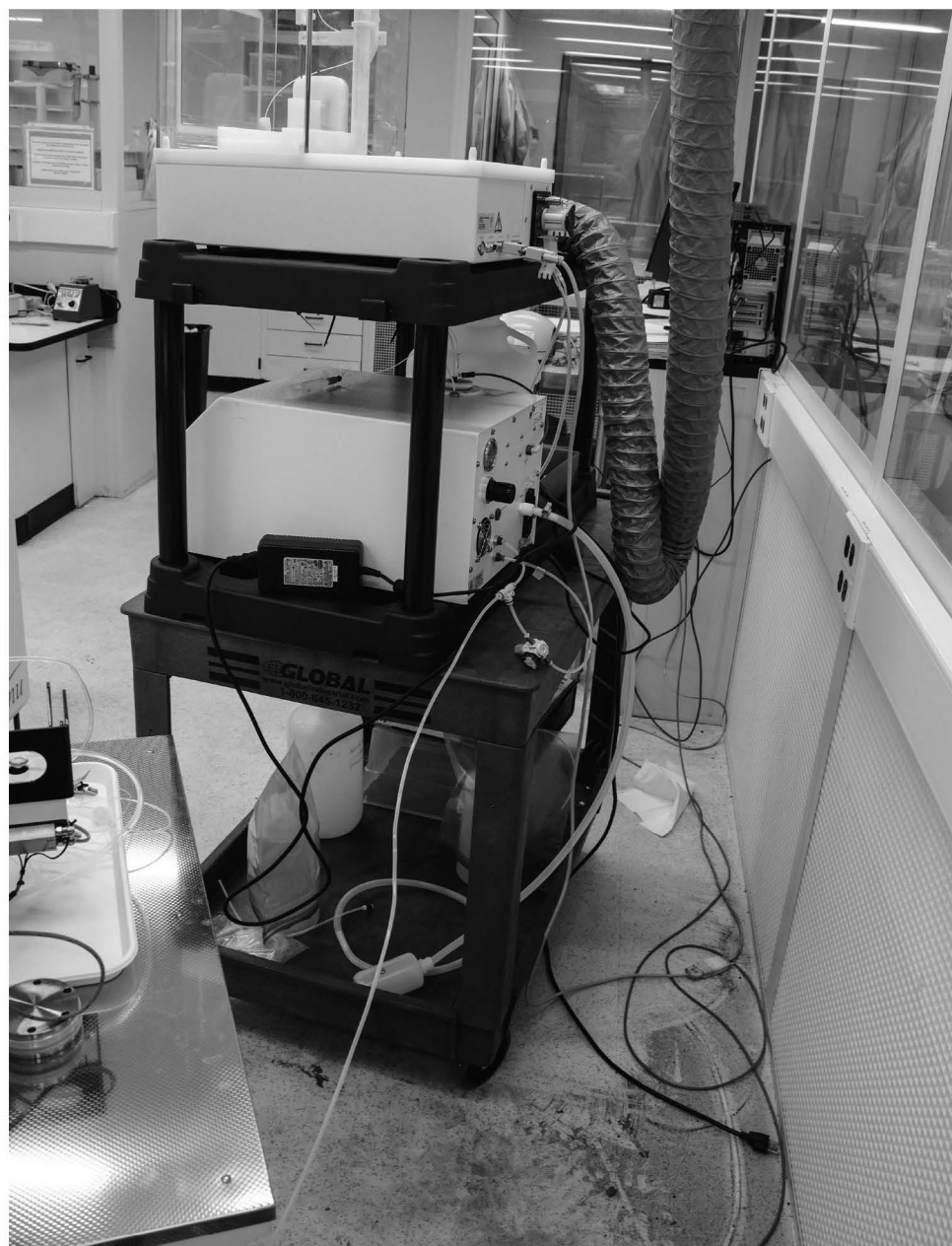
According to Koppers, this lab is one of the longest running on the OSU campus and its reputation that reaches OSU. The methods practiced in this lab are tremendously important to geologists and projects and students from outside OSU often come to the lab. In one year, this lab will receive and process samples for approximately 70 different projects around the world that would otherwise be unable to conduct their experiments.

For now, Koppers indicated that he and the rest of the folks who work in the lab are doing their best to remain as productive as possible. He estimates that the lab is running at about a 30 percent productivity after working to relocate researchers and students as best as possible for now.

“We want to do research, and we want to get back on our feet as quickly as possible, so we can get the students back on track and get our research back on track,” Koppers said.

Özkan-Haller and her colleagues have appreciated the outpouring of support from OSU, and are working as hard as they can to get CEOAS’ research, and the people behind it, back up and running.

“The focus is really on students—making sure students are productive again, because we’re an institution of education, we’re an institution of research and outreach, those are the things we want to make sure we get up as quickly as possible,” Özkan-Haller said. “We want to enable students to continue on the path of education, we want to enable the faculty and the students to continue the discovery piece, and we want to make sure we are continuing to be a resource for the rest of the country, or the world “ for that matter.”



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All equipment in the Keck Lab is shut off, as researchers determine whether each piece can be saved.



# Sex offenders allowed to live near campus in highly-supervised residence complex

By JAYCEE KALAMA  
News Contributor

Last term, the Benton County Sheriff's department tweeted an alert about a registered sex offender living on Monroe Street, just outside the Oregon State University campus, causing some concern in the OSU community, but the tweet did not tell the full story.

There is a Benton County Transition Center on Monroe Street a few blocks from campus, which sometimes houses recently-released sex offenders. This complex is supervised by the Benton County Adult Parole and Probation Unit. Additionally, when sex offenders are released from jail, the Oregon State Police notifies OSU, which is then able to remain vigilant.

Approximately 70 percent of all sexual assaults involve people known to one another, according to RAINN.

"Yet, we know that our community is also sensitive to the presence in the community of anyone convicted of a criminal offense, including sexual offenses," said Steve Clark, vice president of University Relations and Marketing.

OSU works to keep the public safe, but is limited in its powers when it comes to sex offenders dwelling near the school.

"As part of its safety efforts, the university receives reports of registered sex offenders from the Oregon State Police (...)," said Chief of Public Safety Suzy Tannenbaum, via email. "It is important to know that the authority of the university is limited to property owned by the university."

Although it is out of the university's hands when it comes to sex offenders off campus, the school does have ways of connecting with the state of Oregon and Benton County to ensure OSU students and staff are safe.

Many practices and procedures are used within Oregon as it regards registered sex offenders. For example, the state of

Oregon operates a system that requires convicted sex offenders residing in the state of Oregon to register with the state. As part of its safety efforts, the university receives reports of registered sex offenders from the Oregon State Police.

The Parole and Probation Division of the Sheriff's Office run Community Corrections. They are responsible for supervising adult offenders on parole, probation and post-prison supervision residing in Benton County.

Captain Justin Carley, division commander of Adult Parole and Probation said, "In Benton county, we have 450 people on supervision, not all sex offenders. More specifically, we have a sex offender supervision program. A parole and probation officer is specially trained with sex offender supervision to oversee our sex offender supervision program."

When individuals are placed under the supervision of the Benton County Police Department, that supervision can either be under probation or post-prison supervision. If it is under post-prison supervision, the offender has been sentenced to prison and they are later released to the Benton County community.

Probation, which is sentenced in court, is imposed when the crime committed does not equate to a prison sentence. When somebody is placed on supervision, whether it be probation or post-prison supervision, the Benton County Parole and Probation division conducts a risk assessment to develop the offender's case plan. The results of the risk assessment gives them a statistical probability that the offender would likely commit a new sex offense or engage in some sort of at-risk sexual behavior in the community.

Abraham Griswold, sergeant and supervisor of the Sex Offender Supervision program said, "We use the results of the risk assessment to influence our level of intensity

in terms of supervision and treatment for that individual in order to manage them in the community."

When an offender is released to Benton County, the Benton County Parole and Probation verifies and investigates their proposed release plan. When that person is in an institution, they are going to propose a list of streets to live on and with whom when they get out, this is their proposed release plan. A part of that investigation is to verify and either approve or deny that proposed plan. This means that the Benton County Sheriff's Department has a say in where a registered sex offender can and cannot live.

There are many precautions taken to ensure that, no matter where an offender lives, the community around them and the offender themselves are safe.

In terms of community notification, there are three different levels. Level three is the most significant, meaning that the community will be notified through social media, the news paper and door-to-door notification. The level of notification is influenced on where the individual is going to be living and is also dependent on the offender's case and target population.

"When we do that notification, we notify any schools in proximity to the offender's living situation, that way the administrators can let us know if that individual is frequenting the area on or around campus," said Griswold.

Carley noted that partnerships with OSU and other law enforcements organizations are important to his group.

"One of the practices we have is to communicate with local law enforcement and that includes folks on the Oregon State campus," Carley said.

Whether on or off the Oregon State campus, the OSU Department of Public Safety and the Benton County Parole and Probation division are both working with the aim of keeping everybody in the Corvallis

## Sexual Assault Survivor Resources

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Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program:  
Student Health Services,  
Plageman Building  
Phone: 541-737-2724

Oregon State University Counseling & Psychological Services:  
Snell Hall, fifth floor  
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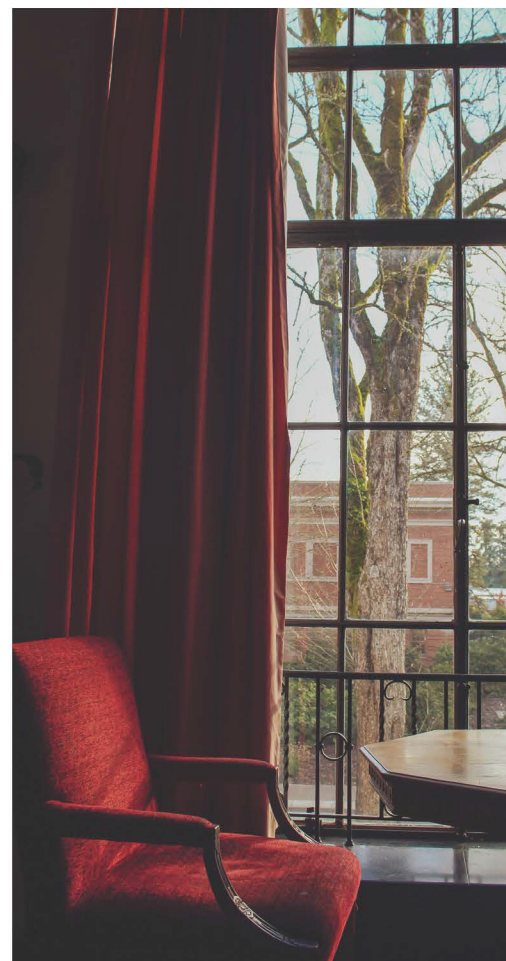
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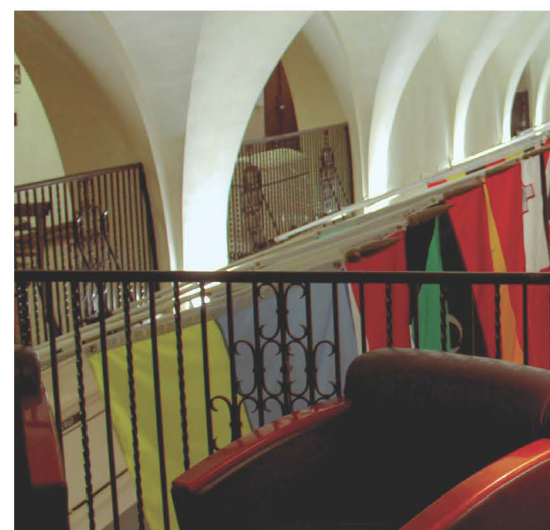
With winter term midterms approaching, here are a variety of photos from around campus.



LINC: third and fourth floors - These two floors in the LINC offer a view of Austin Hall, Weatherford Hall and Sackett Hall, as well as views of hills and mountains in the distance.



The MU: Lower level - The Memorial Union has many spots to study. On the Mezzanine level, there are popular study spots. Enormous curtains drape the windows and also give a view of the rain outside.



The MU: Upper level - Taking the stairs up to the mezzanine level, there are tables. Flags hang down the hall, creating a unique atmosphere, but also want to be in a central area.

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# Places to study on campus

Each day, people are looking to find places to focus and get homework done. A variety of places which might just be the perfect study spot.

By CLAIRE NELSON  
OMN Photographer



(Top Left) Inside the MU)- For those who enjoy studying in a more public space with the smell of coffee and pastries, this would be the (java)stop. With tables and couches to spread out work, students can buy coffee and get busy.



(Bottom Left) A view from the Mezzanine level reveals an alcove of soft chairs and a rainbow of colors. This spot is ideal for those who need a quiet



(Top Left) First Floor of the Student Experience Center - The SEC is full of modern architecture and design. Its bright orange design alludes to Beaver Nation, and is a relatively calm space to finish up work or study for a midterm.

(Bottom Left) Outside of the women's building - The women's building was built in 1927 and has brick architecture. The covered area outside allows students to work on homework without getting rained on, but with the benefit of hearing the rain.



The middle quad between Austin Hall and the LINC - When it's not raining, enjoy the blue skies with an outdoor study spot nestled between these two buildings.



# WINTER HOME SPORTS GAMES

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JAN. 13  
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FEB. 1  
7 p.m.

**UTAH**  
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12 p.m.

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# Gymnast makes OSU debut post-injuries

Lacy Dagen  
overcomes career  
of knee injuries

By LAUREN SLUSS  
News Contributor

When Lacy Dagen stuck her vault routine in Gill Coliseum Jan. 19, the applause that met the redshirt junior was the first she'd ever received in her time at Oregon State. In fact, it was only her second applause in her four-year collegiate gymnastics career.

At first glance, it would be hard for anyone in the crowd to think this was Lacy's first outing since recovering from her most recent surgery. Scars on both knees, however, give a glimpse of the pain and adversity she has had to overcome since starting her career at the University of Florida in 2015, to her OSU transfer in 2017.

Lacy's injury-riddled college career has unsurprisingly faced several setbacks, surgeries and struggle. But three separate injuries in four years could never keep her away from the sport that she loves.

"I was looking at pictures the other day of my knees all scared up from right out of surgery and thought, 'Woah, it's been a really long journey,'" Lacy, who specializes in vault, balance beam and floor, said.

Her journey has consisted of two ACL tears in two years during her career at UF, resulting in two surgeries—one of which involved taking the patellar ligament out of the healthy knee to replace the injured one. One year later, her meniscus split in half, leading to her last surgery in February 2017.

Since then, Lacy has worked slowly to regain strength: both mental and physical. Lacy remembers the discouragement that weighed on her—the feeling that her body had failed her.

"After that second tear, I lost myself for sure. I didn't want to do it anymore," Lacy said. "I stopped eating, I literally stayed in my room all the time and didn't want to do anything."

After her second injury, Lacy and her family started to consider the possibility of a release from UF. To Paige Dagen, Lacy's mother, a transfer was the best way to get her daughter a fresh start, injury-free.

"She wanted to have a little college glory, a grande finale to her lifelong gymnastics career," Paige said. "The only way she was going to get that finale is if she was in a program that was patient and allowed her to get more healthy."

Cue Oregon State. Lacy's younger sister Madi, now an all-around freshman at OSU, had already committed to the Beavers. After Lacy had been released by the University of Florida, Lacy and her family reached out to associate head coach Michael Chaplin.

"We were really excited," Chaplin said. "We knew what type of person she was, not just athlete, and we knew that she would be a great asset to our program."

Lacy has spent the past year recovering,



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OSU redshirt junior gymnast Lacy Dagen, who specializes in the vault, balance beam and floor exercise, performs her routine on the beam officially for the first time in Gill Coliseum.

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Guard Ethan Thompson (RIGHT) drives into the key as two more Washington defenders rotate into the restricted area to prevent a layup. The Huskies earned a 79-69 road win over OSU on Saturday.

## Oregon State Men's Basketball struggles in loss to Huskies

Beavers lag behind after Washington takes early lead, turnovers haunt OSU

By ALEXIS CAMPBELL  
News Contributor

One day after defeating Washington State, Oregon State Men's Basketball fell to the Washington Huskies Saturday in Gill Coliseum with a final score of 79-69.

The Beavers now drop to 12-7 this season overall, with a 4-3 record in the Pac-12.

Within the first few minutes of the game, the Huskies had achieved a 11-0 lead. Although OSU senior guard Stephen Thompson Jr. soon gained the Beavers their first five points, they could not come back from the early lead.

According to OSU Head Coach Wayne Tinkle, Washington began the game aggressively and kept control from start to finish. The Beavers finished the game with 44

percent field goal percentage, to Washington's 58 percent. Washington gained 25 points from turnovers, and OSU ended with 15.

"I'm disappointed that we didn't perform better, especially out of the gate. The guys showed great heart like they always do, but we just dug too big of a hole for ourselves," Tinkle said.

Thompson Jr. scored a total of 30 points during the game. This included six 3-pointers, a record high in his career.

"I would much rather have a win than 30 points. There's a lot of things I could work on individually, I feel like I could have played a better defense," Thompson said.

By the end of the first half, the Huskies had seven steals, four of which came from Washington guard Matisse Thybulle. OSU had

two at the half.

Wayne believed that after losing possession of the ball multiple times in the first half, the Beavers became overly cautious.

"The problem is after the first several possessions where we turned it over, we got really tentative. So we got it there, but then we held it and they would come and trap us," Wayne said.

At halftime, OSU lagged behind Washington at 40-27. Thompson Jr. led the team in points, scoring 13, followed by OSU redshirt junior forward Tres Tinkle and sophomore guard Ethan Thompson at five points each.

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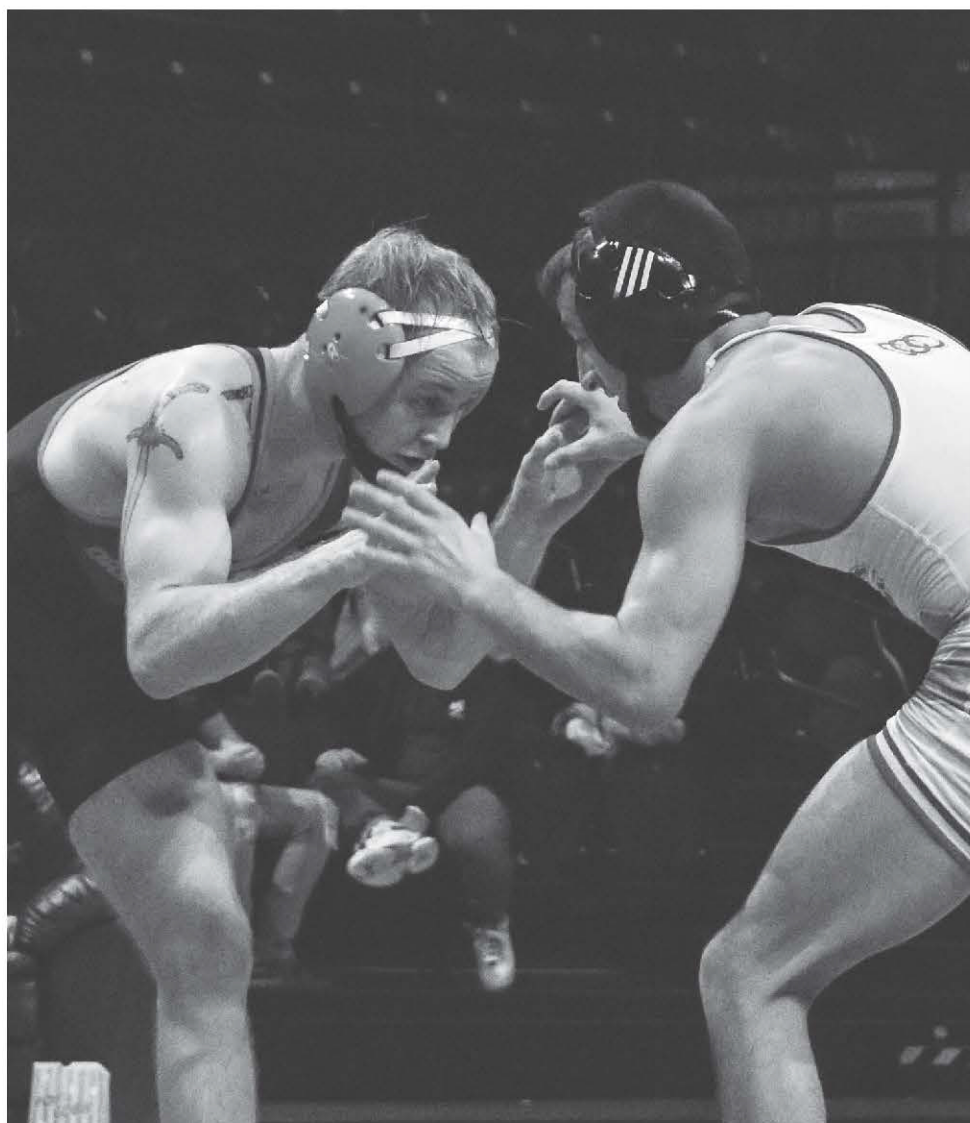
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Wayne Tinkle  
Head Coach

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Kegan Calkins wrestles in a bout against Clackamas Community College in Gill Coliseum on Thursday.

# OSU Wrestling blows out Clackamas Community College

Beavers advance to 3-5 overall, remain 1-1 in Pac-12

By LILLIAN NOMIE  
*Sports Contributor*

On Thursday night, the Oregon State Wrestling team took down Clackamas Community College at Gill Coliseum with a final score of 44-3.

This victory put the Beavers team record at 3-5 overall, and keeps their Pac-12 record the same at 1-1.

OSU freshman 133-pounder Kegan Calkins won, giving the team three points.

"The match started off a little bit slow, but he was just aggressive and I had to come out and be aggressive back and start getting my attacks," Calkins said. "It was a little sloppy, but I just get better and better every week."

Senior 149-pounder Josh Reyes, who

previously had meniscus surgery, came back with a win, after losing his past four matches.

"For me individually it felt nice to get a win back under my belt," Reyes said. "Being able to get the ball rolling in the right direction is definitely a good thing, not only for me, but also for the team."

In the heavyweight match up, OSU senior Christian Robertson was successful in beating CCC Tommy Mommer, giving the team their final six points.

"I thought it went good, I've had some inconsistency this year and that guy has done some good things, so I was pretty happy to get the pin the way I did," Robertson said.

Oregon State Wrestling will be back at the Gill Coliseum on Monday, Feb. 11, against Iowa State at 7 p.m.

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The University Budget Committee (UBC) has begun meeting to discuss recommendations for tuition rates for the 2019-20 academic year.

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only performing exhibitions in 2018, which don't count towards competition points. She debuted her vault and beam routines Jan. 19 in Gill Coliseum, receiving of 9.825 for vault and a beam score of 9.250.

"I feel good," Lacy said after the meet. "I feel like we have a lot of improvement to go, but this was a really good stepping stone in our long journey this season."

The beam was an especially big step for Lacy, as it has historically been her best event, Paige said.

"She was always the beam queen," Paige said. "She's been very good at it forever. A big piece of it, however, was she has to stop questioning her knee."

Lacy's recovery has not solely been physical. She has had to overcome her fear of yet another injury. Lacy remembers having nightmares about hurting herself again while still at UF. Since her transfer to OSU, however, the nightmares have ceased. Lacy attributes much of this to her relationship with Chaplin.

Chaplin, who has also sustained several injuries during her collegiate career, connects with Lacy on this level.

"It's just believing again, that was the biggest thing," Chaplin said. "Believing in what you are capable of doing, believing that your body can still come back and do something after injuries like she's had."

Despite her mental setbacks, Lacy's dedication to the sport didn't allow her to quit. A look into her history with gymnastics speaks to how serious she is about competing.

Both Lacy and Madi have competed most of their lives. Lacy was five years old the first time her mother enrolled her at a local gym.

"That local, smaller gym didn't know what to do with her," Paige said.

Paige, now a high school teacher in Pleasanton, Calif. coached cheerleading when Lacy was young. The older girls would teach Lacy about gymnastics and show her different moves.

"She had so much natural ability and she's already picked up so many things," Paige said. "More than that, Lacy was incredibly focused. They could not believe for her age how serious and intense she was."

Lacy's intensity carried her through middle school and high school, competing in Elite Gymnastics, the path to the Olympics, for three years. Gymnastics became her full-time job— she didn't attend school and trained for

35 hours a week, traveling to Texas every month for training camps.

She decided college competition was a more reachable goal for her, and committed to UF at the end of her freshman year of high school. She performed one vault routine at UF before her first ACL tear in 2015.

The long journey to recovery was not undergone by herself, however. Standing right beside her at every meet, during every injury? Lacy's mother.

"My mom has been so invested in this it's unreal," Lacy said. "She has literally gone through all of this with me. This has been her sport."

Paige's investment in her daughters' gymnastics career will continue through this season and the following, as she vows to attend every single meet.

"I will not miss one. I will be there for all of them," Paige said. "I will not miss a single meet, and she (Lacy) knows that."

Paige and Lacy will be at the Beavers' upcoming meet Friday, Feb. 2 in Gill Coliseum, as Lacy hopes to compete in vault and beam again.

"I'm taking every opportunity to embrace what I have done, how long of a journey it's been and where we're headed," Lacy said.

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## YAYS & NAYS



The Barometer lists OSU's favorite and least favorite things this week.

### YAYS

- YAY to the government being open again
- YAY to it almost being February
- YAY to IM recreational sports starting up for winter term
- YAY for whipped cream on hot beverages during the cold months

### NAYS

- NAY to cold and foggy weather
- NAY to Oregon State's loss in basketball to Washington
- NAY to midterm season and long nights in the library with too much coffee

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According to Tres Tinkle, the Beavers' loss came down to not being as aggressive as the Huskies.

"It came down to passes. They were getting dunk after dunk," Tres said.

Although the Beavers came within 9 points of Washington's lead during the final half of the game, they were ultimately unable to sustain any runs greater than 5 points. According to Wayne Tinkle, this was a drastic difference than how OSU normally plays.

"We just couldn't sustain a run, like we have so many times, to get ourselves back in. It was guys getting out of character, defensively, helping out in the corners when we're not supposed to," Wayne said. "Every time we broke down from the way we're supposed to do things defensively, they made us pay."

Oregon State will play against Colorado in Boulder next Thursday on Jan 31 at 6 p.m.



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Oregon State guard Ethan Thompson dribbles at the top of the key, trying to beat Washington guard Jaylen Howell to the basket on Jan. 27.

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### Taurus April 20 – May 20

Today is a 7 -- Collaborate to surpass an obstacle with a shared objective. Save more than you spend. Contribute your time and talents. Listen, and provide support.

### Gemini May 21 – June 20

Today is an 8 -- Listen to suggestions to raise physical performance. Slow to navigate changing conditions. Nurture your health and energy. Avoid overindulging. Enjoy extra rest.

### Cancer June 21 – July 22

Today is a 7 -- Relax, and focus on immediate needs. Prioritize rest and fun with people you love. Relax to recharge. Romance can spark when least expected. Leo July 23 – Aug. 22 Today is a 7 -- Take care of family necessities. Support each other through a change. Pamper your crew with delicious flavors and fragrances. Popcorn and a movie would be nice.

### Virgo Aug. 23 – Sept. 22

Today is a 7 -- Connect with your networks. Sample a diverse view of news sources. Write, express and share your own perspective. Reveal what's underneath. Invite participation. Offer support.

### Libra Sept. 23 – Oct. 22

Today is a 9 -- Juggle income and expenses for a positive balance. Shipping delays or traffic could put a kink in your plans. Stay in communication to manage the flow.

### Scorpio Oct. 23 – Nov. 21

Today is a 9 -- You're especially strong and creative. Enjoy some personal focus time to pursue your heart's desire. Learn and develop. Grow skills and talents. Draw upon hidden resources.

### Sagittarius Nov. 22 – Dec. 21

Today is a 5 -- Rest and recuperate. Allow yourself private time for thinking and planning. Imagine how you'd like an upcoming event to go down. Make preparations. Give thanks.

### Capricorn Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

Today is an 8 -- Share ideas and resources with your team. You don't need to start from scratch. Your friends are there for you. Someone has the perfect connection.

### Aquarius Jan. 20 – Feb. 18

Today is an 8 -- Professional opportunities tempt. Crazy dreams seem possible. Investigate to find out the bottom line. The truth gets revealed. Determine your best option.

### Pisces Feb. 19 – March 20

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- 22 "Uncle Vanya" playwright
- 27 Yoga posture
- 28 Krypton or xenon
- 32 Semester
- 34 Pea surrounder
- 35 One of about 268,600 in Tex.
- 36 You, to Yves
- 38 Hipster, and based on their initials, what each of 16-, 22-, 52- and 61-Across is?
- 41 Blender setting
- 42 Hubbubs
- 44 Like Letterman's humor
- 45 "See ya later"
- 47 Dugout seats
- 49 Put together, as equipment
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The Hall of Flags in the Memorial Union holds a flag for each country that has been represented on campus. However, international student enrollment is on the decline at Oregon State University.

# International students face increasingly difficult admissions, immigration process

By MORGAN MAWN  
News Contributor

Dropping national and local rates of international students that apply to U.S. colleges may reflect the difficulties these students go through to come here.

Factors like demand, international economic fluctuations and increasing competition for international students in other countries are largely the cause behind the recent decline of international applications to Oregon State University and other universities across the U.S. according to Grace Atebe, director of the Office of International Services. The increasingly intricate admissions and immigration processes also may be discouraging international students from applying. International students face daunting systems at every turn, from admissions, to school, to working in the U.S. after graduation. The requirements for these students also hold serious consequences for those who slip up. To help these students, OSU has established multiple programs and groups to work with and guide them during their time here.

The National Foundation for American Policy analyzed data by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and found that since 2016, there has been a dip in international students applying to U.S. colleges by 4 percent. OSU itself has experienced a 3 percent drop.

One example of how political policies can make studying in America even more difficult for prospective international students came in 2018 when Stephen Miller, political adviser to Donald Trump, suggested Chinese international students shouldn't be given visas to defend against spy activity. Ultimately, restrictions were

only tightened. While the change may have not been as drastic as anticipated, these changes impact international students.

Moreover, as Atebe explained, there's rising competition for international students as universities in countries like Canada and Europe grow in popularity.

After admission, international students must complete multiple additional hurdles. The process is so long that OSU suggests international students reserve a minimum of two to three months to complete it. The legal criteria requires students to go to their embassy, provide documentation that they have sufficient funding, complete interviews demonstrating why they need to study abroad, turn in paperwork to receive a certificate of eligibility, obtain a visa and many other steps. All of these additional hurdles to jump over is making the experience even more challenging for international students.

Chuan Hao, a second-year international student from Singapore studying chemical engineering, ran into many tedious inconveniences while trying to get a visa.

"I had to go to multiple places before I could complete the process," Hao said. "Having to pay for different documents at different places made it kind of inconvenient. There were some parts of the applications that weren't very clear and I had to clarify by calling the embassy."

Atebe said the process requires constant maintenance by mainly the student, with the aid of their adviser and other staff at the International Services office, due to regularly changing government policies affecting the already challenging process.

"Every time you look up there's a clock ticking," Atebe said, "There is little to no

room for error."

According to Atebe, messing up any part of the immigration process could result in harsh penalties, such as being banned from the U.S. for up to 10 years.

"Overstaying your visa isn't as simple as you can go back home and re-enter to correct your status. Federal Penalties seem to be more and more severe and looked into each day," Atebe said.

The hoops international students have to jump through never seem to stop coming during their time in the U.S. To combat this, OSU offers services to aid these students. The aforementioned International Student Scholars Services aids international students in many different ways.

Additionally, the INTO program helped Hao's transition into the U.S. education system.

"I went through an international student program called INTO which made the processes much easier as I did not have to take SATS and could apply directly to the school. INTO had agents that helped me compile the necessary documents and submitted them for me which helped with the application process," Hao said.

Cassady Gilroy, office manager at OSU Diversity and Cultural Engagement, said there are many resources available to international students at OSU, including the International Student Advisory Board.

"The International Student Advisory Board is an open forum for all students and student groups with a relevance to the international student experience at OSU. It is a time to get to know each other, share resources and best practices and to share feedback from the various populations of students at OSU. While

the board itself does not put on events outside of these gatherings, it is hosted by departments such as INTO OSU, Office of International Services and Global Opportunities," he said via email.

According to Atebe, there's a misconception that most international students want to migrate and stay in the U.S. to work after graduation, creating competition in the job market. She said students study internationally for many different reasons, such as for experiential learning, to acquire a high quality of U.S. degree and be more attractive to employers or because they may have been sponsored by a company to study abroad and then return home after graduation to work for the sponsoring company.

Hao said how he would take advantage of a job opportunity in the U.S. if given the chance, but he also sees the benefits to returning home.

"If I can get an internship or secure a job I would work in the U.S. for a couple of years before I head back. If not, I would just head back home because I miss friends and family. The U.S. is really big and having to make new friends all the time can be exhausting, where as back home, everyone lives very close together and you can always see your friends and family anytime you want," Hao said.

Although attending school internationally can be difficult and there has been a drop in international applications, OSU's international students continue to work through the elaborate processes with the aid of programs on campus. According to Atebe, the drop is only part of a small fluctuation and will pass as OSU continues to support and guide international students.