Position Statement:

The College of Science is a vibrant scientific community and a premier center of education and research for Oregon State University, where students have studied science and mathematics since 1868. As home to the core biological, physical, and mathematical sciences, the College of Science has built a foundation of excellence and graduated over 25,000 students since our founding in 1932. We are proud of our students, our alumni, our staff, and our faculty.

The College of Science builds leaders in discovery and innovation, and drives economic opportunity and social improvement for the State of Oregon, our region and the world. Our undergraduate students pursue degrees in the physical sciences, life sciences and mathematics. Many are Honors College students, and still more are engaged in undergraduate research. Our graduate students work directly with world-class faculty to make new discoveries and generate novel technologies that positively impact human health, knowledge, and quality of life. The College of Science awards over 120 graduate degrees per year, expanding the nation’s intellectual capital.

Our students major in biochemistry and biophysics, biology, chemistry, mathematics, microbiology, physics and zoology, along with pre-health professional options including dentistry, medicine, clinical lab science, nursing, occupational therapy, optometry, pharmacy, physical therapy and veterinary medicine. Doctoral, Master’s, and Professional Science Master’s degrees are offered in the natural sciences, mathematics and statistics.

We are proud partners in service to a great university, the State of Oregon, and beyond.

Vital Statistics and Key Metrics:

- The College of Science is home to:
  - More than 110 tenured and tenure-track faculty
  - More than 45 Instructors and Senior Instructors
  - More than 3000 undergraduate majors
  - More than 450 graduate students
  - Both of the University’s 2012 Distinguished Professors
  - OSU’s 2012 Goldwater Scholar and 2012 Udall Scholar
  - The largest contingent of University Honors College students
  - The largest contingent of OSU Undergraduate Research, Innovation and Scholarship (URISC) scholars
- Our actual budget for FY12 was over $35M
- Our projected budget for FY13 is over $40M

Select Superlatives:

- We are among the most diverse Colleges in the University. 27.8% of our students are US Minority Students.
- We awarded over $300,000 in scholarships to over 200 individual students for 2011-12, establishing a new record for the College.
• Our coursework is foundational to all undergraduate and many graduate majors across the University.
• The undergraduate major enrollment remains among the highest of undergraduate Colleges in the University.
• Science typically graduates the largest number of Ph.D. students of any College in the University.
• Science has the second largest graduate student population at OSU.
• New grant awards increased by 2.3% to $24.8M in 2011-12.
• The number of invention disclosures filed in 2011-12 was our highest ever, at 18.
• Private fundraising for the College was over $8M for 2011-12, and is among the strongest in the University.