# Fermentation Science at Oregon State University

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# **Oregon State University**

- · Formerly Oregon Agricultural College
- 27,000 students
- Forestry, Oceanography, Agriculture Engineering, Linus Pauling Institute











# OSU Food Science Undergraduate Degree Program

B.S. Degree in Food Science and Technology

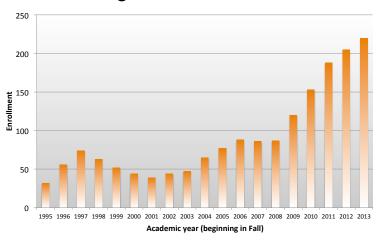
- > Food Science 26%
- > Fermentation Science 62%
- > Enology & Viticulture 12%







# Undergraduate enrollment



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## Training students to be brewers









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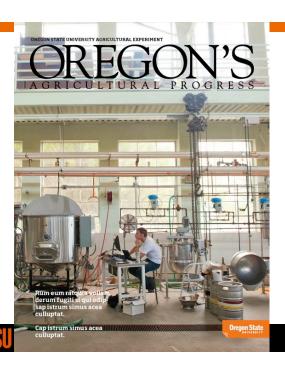


## OSU Pilot Brewery 2 BBL brewhouse, 6 CCV



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## OSU Pilot Brewery Packaging Single head filler + tunnel pasteurizer



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### **OSU** Minimalter









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#### **Employers of OSU Ferm. Sci. Grads**

Anheuser-Busch
MillerCoors
Boston Beer Company
BridgePort Brewing
Boulevard Brewing
Deschutes Brewery
Full Sail Brewing
McMenamins'
Stone Brewing

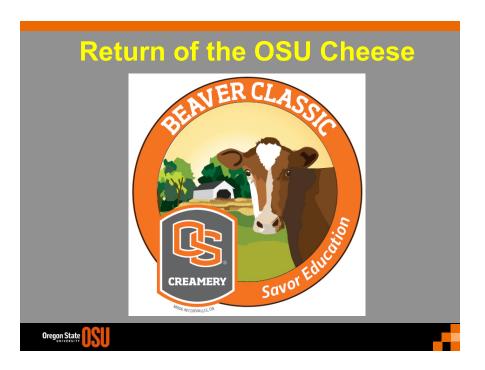
**Widmer Brothers Brewing** 

Gallo Winery (Sonoma Valley, CA) St. Michele Winery Hogue Cellars King Estate Winery

**Corsair Distillery Rogue Spirits** 

Tillamook County Creamery Rogue Creamery

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#### Fermentation Science at OSU

- Brewing Tom Shellhammer
- · Barley breeding & malting Pat Hayes
- · Hops breeding Shaun Townsend & John Henning
- Hops pathology Dave Gent
- Hops & health Fred Stevens
- · Wine James Osborne, Elizabeth Tomasino
- Viticulture Patti Skinkis. Laurent Deluc, Walt Mahaffe
- Specialty cheeses Lisbeth Goddik
- Cereals chemistry & bread Andrew Ross

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#### **Savor Education**

Beaver Classic™ is an Oregon State University original .

An artisan cheese made in the tradition of alpine cheeses from Europe while reflecting the characteristic of the Willamette Valley, Beaver Classic has a subtle, nutty taste with creamy, buttery and caramelized flavors.









#### Fermentation Science at OSU

#### **New Positions**

- · Distillation professor
- · Brewing microbiologist professor
- Instructor/Advisor Fermentation Science



Beer Analytics
May 1, June 16 – 20
Beer Proficiency
July 15 – 18

Craft Brewery Startup April, May, September Cidery Startup April, May 12 – 16

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**Beer Analytics** 

Online + Hands-on learning in the lab and pilot brewery





**Beer Analytics** 

Learn about hops and OSU's hop breeding facilities





**Beer Analytics** 

Engage with industry experts - Fred Strachan, Sierra Nevada





**Beer Analytics** 

Learn about barley/malt and OSU's barley breeding facilities





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# OSU Pilot Brewery – Beer Development

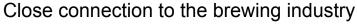














- MBAA District NW meetings 200-300 attendees
- 1st International Brewing Symposium, 2007
   Hop Flavor and Aroma in Beer
- · Hop Research Council

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#### OSU has a long connection to hops

- 1932
  - Oregon largest hop producing region in the world with 34,594 acres (14,000 ha)
  - Downy Mildew discovered in Oregon hop yards

U.S. Department of Agriculture establishes hop breeding program

- 1979
  - Hop Research Council created
- 1996
  - Fermentation Science track created within Dept of Food Science





# Hop breeding at OSU



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# Public hop varieties released by USDA/OSU

Bianca Newport
Cascade Nugget
Columbia Santiam
Comet Sterling
Crystal Sunbeam
Horizon Teamaker

Liberty Ultra

Mt. Rainier Willamette

Mt. Hood





# Shellhammer Lab Hops research, recent activity

- Isomerization kinetics
- · Bitterness research
  - Native and reduced iso-alpha acids
  - Hop-derived polyphenols
  - Impact, time-intensity, quality
- Foam studies
  - Reduced iso's
- Flavor stability
  - Hop-derived polyphenols
  - Hop acids



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#### Widmer Brewing Company

- Preference Mapping of Widmer Products: Identification of Product Attributes, Consumer Preferences and Psychographics McDaniels, Orth, Shellhammer – 2002
- Trained panel (12)
  + Consumers (~300)
- Part of development efforts leading to Drop Top Amber Ale



# Sensory testing Consumer as well as trained panel



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# Shellhammer Lab Hops research, current projects

- Investigating the sources of citrus aroma/flavor from hops
- Hop harvest maturity influences on oil quality
- · Basic studies on dry hopping
- How hops affect beer flavor stability
- New methods for assessing beer bitterness





