

Overview of WOU Campus GIS Licensing

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Western Oregon University is part of a new OUS GIS site license consortium, in agreement with the software developer, Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI). Participants include PSU, UO, OSU, WOU, SOU, EOU, OHSU, OIT, and the Oregon community college system. The OUS licensing agreement includes most of the ESRI Arc GIS products (ArcInfo, ArcView, ArcGIS, all related extensions and data sets). Traditionally, PSU and OSU have paid the highest licensing fees in the OUS system. The philosophy of the OUS licensing consortium is to make annual license fees for the smaller institutions reasonable, and to decrease the overall costs for the larger research institutions. The negotiated state-wide fee for the ESRI GIS products is \$75,000.00/year, through 2003. WOU's share is approximately \$2100.00/yr. The contract with ESRI is being managed by the Oregon Educational Technology Consortium.

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