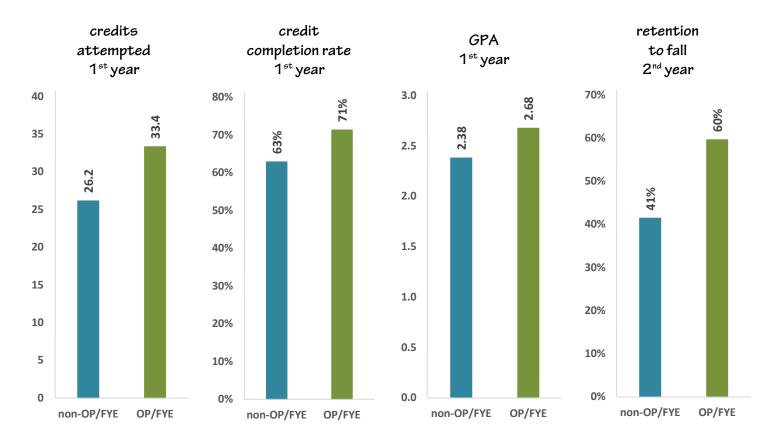
Oregon Promise and Lane's First Year Experience

Oregon Promise (OP) is a state grant that helps pay up to 90 credits of Oregon community college tuition for recent Oregon high school or GED graduates who apply and meet liberal academic and financial requirements. To remain eligible for funding, Oregon Promise students must continuously enroll for at least 6 credits per term excluding summer, maintain satisfactory academic progress, and complete a **First Year Experience** (FYE) designed by each college.

Lane's First Year Experience is a one-term, online, tuition-free, non-credit course designed to guide first-year students in transitioning to and engaging with the College. Weekly modules emphasize career, academic, and financial planning, and making wise choices for success. Individual support is provided by Success Coaches.

Do Oregon Promise/First Year Experience participants outperform others on first-year success metrics? Yes!



NOTE: A positive association between Oregon Promise/First Year Experience participation and first year success does not prove causation. Data are drawn from 2017 through 2021 cohorts of new, fall-start, award seeking students, excluding direct transfer (ineligible for OP) and students over the age of 21 (unlikely to be recent high school graduates).

Oregon Promise/First Year Experience participants (N = 2,856) also attempted more first term credits on average (12.4 vs. 11.0) and persisted from fall to winter at a higher rate (89% vs. 71%) compared to nonparticipants (N = 4,882).

Although Oregon Promise students accounted for 87% of FYE enrollments during the study period, **First Year Experience is open to all Lane students**. We hope to see increased benefits as more students participate in First Year Experience.

In the next edition of TIPSS: qualitative feedback from First Year Experience students.