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Oregon Governor Signs Free Community College Bill

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Oregon's governor, Kate Brown, a Democrat, on Friday signed a bill to create a free community college grant, several news outlets [reported](#) [1]. Oregon follows Tennessee as the second state to fund a statewide free community college program. The legislation includes \$10 million for qualifying students, who will each receive at least a \$1,000 grant. The state also will spend \$7 million on related student success and completion programs.

The news earned a celebratory tweet from President Obama:



President Obama
@POTUS

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Congrats to Oregon on passing two years of free community college! Every hardworking student deserves access to higher education.

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