



Portland State University presents The Hatfield Futures Project

The Future is Now: Shape Oregon in the Year 2050

The Hatfield Futures Project is a contest that connects student visionaries, leaders, and thinkers from across the state to collaboratively generate and present innovative policy solutions for Oregon's most important societal, cultural, economic, and environmental issues such as:



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| Voting & Representation | Employment & Wealth |
| Climate Change & Resilience | Reinvestment in Rehabilitation |
| Government Spending & Revenue | Homelessness |
| Land Use | Environmental Health |

WHY should I apply?

In the year 2050, today's high school students will be at the height of their careers and family lives. The Hatfield Futures Project is an opportunity to shape the future.

In April 2023, teams of 3-5 students will have the opportunity to present their proposals to local legislators, policy-makers, faculty, and community leaders at Portland State University.

All teams will receive hotel and travel accommodation, as well as media coverage to amplify their voices.

Winning teams will receive an additional \$1000 prize!

WHO should apply?

High school students of ALL backgrounds and lived experiences who...

- are passionate about social, economic, and environmental equity and justice
- are proficient in reading and writing - speaking doesn't have to be your forte
- enjoy collaboration and have an interest in community-engagement and activism
- would like to develop their leadership skills and want their voice heard
- may desire to bring their love of the arts and creative expression to spaces of policy and government

Research shows that women, LGBTQ+ youth, and people of color are less likely to apply for opportunities when they feel they don't meet all the criteria. Please don't let these descriptors discourage you from applying. We want to hear from you!

NEXT STEPS

DUE DATE: FRI. DEC 16

To be considered, please apply complete the application form using the form linked at the QR code or the bit.ly. If you are applying with a team, each person must apply.

Apply HERE!

bit.ly/3KJ0fvd



WHAT can I expect?

- Clear performance rubrics and expectations
- At least one coach per team
- A Q&A webinar with faculty authors of your source text, *Oregon 2050*
- A copy of *Oregon 2050* as a research resource





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FAQ

When is the due date for my application?

The extended deadline is now Friday, December 16.

What is Oregon 2050?

Oregon 2050 is a collection of research and essays generated by Portland State University professors that offers “big ideas” about how we can face challenges and uncertainties about the future, such as the impacts of climate change, ongoing social inequities, and major changes in technology and to the economy.

How many people will be on a team? How many teams will there be?

Teams will consist of 3-5 students. There may be anywhere from 5-10 teams formed around the state.

Why form teams around the state?

The future will require collaboration and relationships between people from all backgrounds, regions, and walks of life. The project intends to bring youth together in order to embody this.

What if I know people who I want to form a team with?

If you are applying as a team, each individual must complete the application form. On the form, there is a field which will allow you to share the names of other students on your team.

What if I want to apply alone? Who will my team be?

Once we have received all applications, we will review applicants for interests, location, grade level, and other factors for creating balanced teams. From there, we will create teams of individuals best suited for one another. Please note that remote collaboration via Zoom, email, etc. is likely in this instance. If this is not preferable for you, you can indicate this on the application form and we will work with you to accommodate this preference.

What does the project entail?

Teams will utilize a set of resources including the book, *Oregon 2050*, to create a detailed policy-proposal presentation on an issue of their choice. At least one coach will be assigned to your team to support and guide your work. Teams will also be connected with PSU faculty for a webinar Q&A. In April, teams will travel to Portland for a conference and share their proposals with a panel of judges comprised of elected officials, community leaders, and faculty. Judges will use the same rubrics to evaluate your proposals as you are given to guide your work.

If I have further questions, who should I reach out to?

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