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Dear Campus Community:

Western Oregon University watches, along with the rest of the world, as the crisis in Ukraine continues to unfold. WOU condemns any act of aggression threatening Ukraine, its people, or its sovereignty. We stand united with all those denouncing this unjust invasion and the resulting loss of innocent lives and freedom.

To our WOU family – students, faculty, staff, and alumni – we recognize that news of war, on top of the many burdens of a long pandemic, is distressing. You may have loved ones in Ukraine and the surrounding regions, or you may have loved ones in the U.S. that have connections there. Please know that we are watching with you. We are here for you.

If you are feeling overwhelmed, we strongly encourage you to seek help and support from professional counselors. WOU students, please reach out to WOU's Student Health and Counseling Center for assistance.

Our hearts are with the Ukrainian people and all who are suffering from this invasion.

Jay Kenton  
President