



MUS Strategic Plan

Graduate Education

<https://www.mus.edu/data/strategic-plan/graduate-education.html>

Goal Statement

Expand graduate education capacity and opportunities in order to increase educational attainment of Montanans, fuel economic development, grow the research and development enterprise, and contribute to the cultural and social fabric of Montana and the region.

Goal 2: Workforce & Economic Development

System Initiatives

Faculty, staff, and students in the Montana University System (MUS) are engaged in science and technology research and graduate education that help build Montana's economic future. The MUS research enterprise also builds partnerships with communities, businesses, and other educational entities to help align science education and research with pressing social and economic challenges.

Expanding graduate education capacity and opportunities will help grow the MUS research enterprise. The following initiatives are key to this effort:

- Improved stipends and resident tuition status to attract competitive graduate students;
- Sufficient start-up funding packages and salaries to retain and recruit competitive faculty;
- Strategic addition of graduate programs to meet workforce needs and research opportunities ; and
- Innovative partnerships and financing to build modern facilities and a competitive research infrastructure.

Objective 2.3.1

Increase the number and percentage of graduate students in the Montana University System.

[Metric 2.3.1](#)

Objective 2.3.2

Increase graduate degree production, maintaining a strong concentration in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields.

[Metric 2.3.2](#)

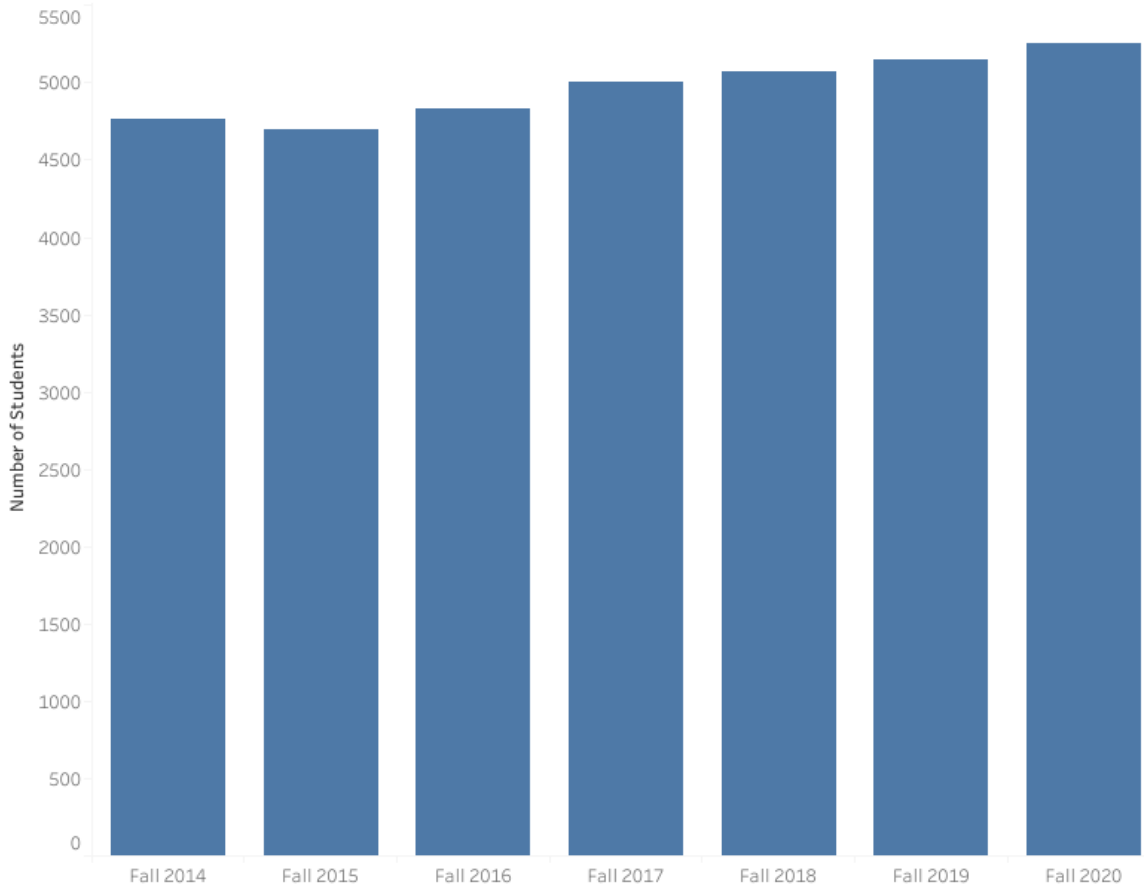
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MUS Headcounts - System Totals

Counts prior to Fall 2016 do not include FVCC.



Measurement Period
Fall

Campus Type
All

Residency
All

Full Time/Part Time
All

Level
Graduate

Age Range
All

Gender
All

Race/Ethnicity
All

Dual Enrollment
All

Campus Type	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020
4 Year	4,763	4,696	4,829	5,002	5,074	5,149	5,250
Grand Total	4,763	4,696	4,829	5,002	5,074	5,149	5,250

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MUS Degrees & Certificates Awarded

Academic Year consists of Summer, Fall, and Spring terms (ex: 2018-19 includes Summer 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019)

Certificates of Completion, Technical Studies and Applied Science at the 2-year level are included

Award Type

- Certificate
- Associate's Degree
- Bachelor's Degree
- Graduate & Profession..

Student Campus

- City College
- Dawson CC
- Flathead Valley CC
- Gallatin College
- Great Falls College
- Helena College
- Highlands College
- Miles CC
- Missoula College
- MSU Billings
- MSU Bozeman
- MSU Northern
- MT Tech
- UM Missoula
- UM Western

