



2018 Impact on Vermont's Workforce and FY2020 Budget Priorities

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VSCS IMPACT

11,257 Enrolled

1,741 Employed

8,674 in Workforce Ed

Presence in 13 Counties and online

2,249 Degrees and Certificates in 2018



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Our students:

83% Vermonters

53% First Generation

50% Pell-eligible

More Vermonters attend a VSCS institution than all of the other colleges and universities in the state combined.

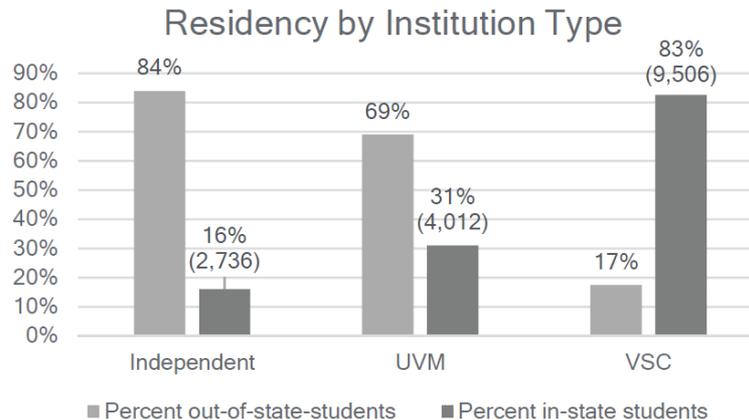


Figure 2: In-state vs out-of-state students, percentage by institution type (headcount)

Source: VHEC Fall 2018 Enrollment Report

What's new in 2019

- ✓ [Northern Vermont University](#) became official on July 1, 2018.
- ✓ *Start to Finish* initiative driving new evidence-based advising strategies to increase retention and graduation.
- ✓ New non-degree workforce certificates offered by every college, including six new apprenticeships from CCV and Vermont Tech.
- ✓ Continued emphasis on business function consolidations and shared services.
- ✓ “Welcome Home” tuition policy in place.

New Workforce Credentials – a sampling

- CCV: Certified Bookkeeper, Allied Health, Certified Production Technician Apprenticeships
- VT Tech: Manufacturing, Construction, Practical Nursing Apprenticeships
- NVU: Online bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education
New master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- Castleton: 2019 Early Childhood Summer Institute for Vermont teachers

Maintain Statewide Access and Affordability

VSCS Budget Request: FY2020

	Current Base Appropriation	FY2020 Governor's Recommend	FY2020 VSCS Request	FY2025 Goal Average New England State support, 30%
VSCS Base Appropriation Sec. E. 602	\$28,000,464	\$31,000,464	\$33,000,464	\$53,000,464
*VSCS Base Appropriation Sec. E. 602.1	With \$3 million increase, VSCS will hold tuition level at FY2019 rates for one year.			

VSCS Allied Health – level funding
Sec. E. 605
 (Supports nursing, dental hygiene, respiratory therapy education)

Global Commitment - \$409,461
 General Fund - \$748,314
 Total Allied Health - \$1,157,775

Innovation to Serve VT's Workforce

Sec. C. 100 FISCAL YEAR 2019 ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

\$200,000 -- Vermont Technical College – Associate Degree CTE Pilot Design

Plan:

- locally convenient and financially affordable option to current high school students and adults who are interested in a technical associate degree program.
- high demand, high skill, industry-specific degree offerings, with specific focus on high school students.
- Vermont Tech Satellite programs will result in the high school student receiving his/her high school diploma from his/her local high school while at the same time completing the first year of an Associate's Degree.

Request – Bring the VSCS to New England Average 30% State Support, or \$5 million for 5 Years

More Affordable Access

- A two year tuition freeze will incentivize more students to complete degrees.
- Competitive tuition rates will keep more students in Vermont.
- More scholarship aid available for Vermonters.

Supporting Student Success

- Academic support
- Mental health services.
- Mentoring programs.

Innovation for 21st century learning and Vermont careers

- More career-relevant training and education.
- Expanded use of online and distance learning for statewide access.
- Laboratories and learning spaces to prepare students for work in Vermont industries.

Moving the needle on educational attainment in Vermont

PROGRAM	OUTCOMES	FUNDING RECOMMENDATION
Dual Enrollment Sec. B. 504.1 (Flex Pathways)	Postsecondary continuation rates for students participating in dual enrollment is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20% higher for non-FRL eligible students • 32% higher for FRL-eligible students 	\$1,700,000
Early College and VAST Sec. B. 504.1 (Flex Pathways)	Serving 1st gen. students and boosting continuation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall, 41% of all Early College/VAST students enrolled in Fall 2018 were identified as first-generation. • Overall college continuation rates continue to be higher (73% for 2017-2018 Early College/VAST participants) than the statewide average of 60%. 	\$2,598,000
VT State Grant - VSAC Sec. B. 605	Affordability: Supported 10,796 grants in FY18 for full- and part-time Vermont students.	\$19,414,000
VSAC Need-Based Stipend Sec. B.1100 (3) (c)	Supports Flexible Pathway participation for over 400 low-income high school students. Does not cover need.	\$85,000
VSAC Non-Degree Grants Sec. B.1100 (3) (A)	Employment outcomes: Full-time employment among recipients increased from 42 percent to 54 percent, a 29 percent increase (VSAC 2.14.19)	\$1,564,000
National Guard Tuition Benefit Sec. B.1100 (3) (B) Sec. B. 215	To educational attainment and career readiness for members.	\$1,426,718

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Colleges:

[Castleton University](#)

[Community College of Vermont](#)

[Northern Vermont University](#)

[Vermont Technical College](#)