

Vermont State Colleges System

FY2022 Budget Adjustment Request

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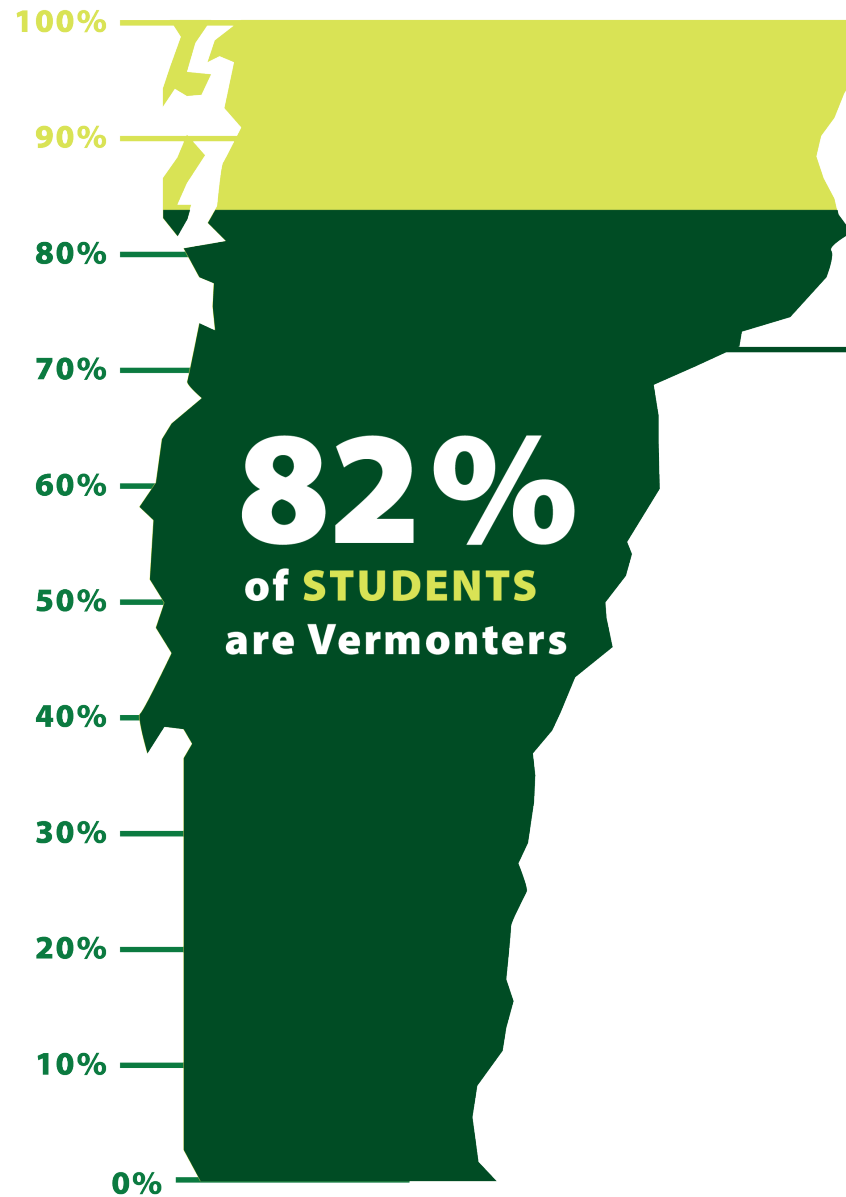
Graduated 1,643 Vermonters into the workforce in 2021 with degrees or certificates



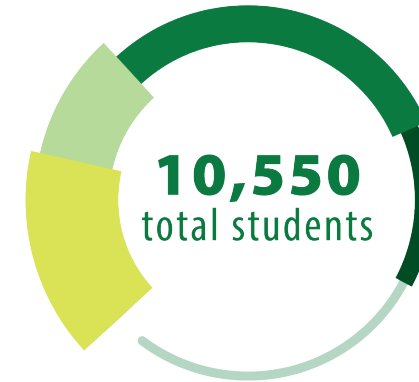
3,443
1st Generation Vermonters are enrolled in our undergraduate programs this fall.



That's 57% of undergraduate Vermonters and 45% of all undergraduates.



2/3 of alumni live and work in Vermont



- 1,212 High school students enrolled in VSCS programs
- 3,443 1st gen Vermont undergrads
- 5,948 Undergraduate Vermonters
- 7,485 Undergraduates
- 10,550 Total students

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Workforce Development

- Long-term care facility practical nursing program
- Workforce 2.0 Upskilling Initiative
- Critical Occupations Free Tuition Program Pilot
- Welcome Home Scholarship
- Degree Completion Scholarship



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Long-Term Care Facility Practical Nursing Program

“I would love to say a heartfelt thank you. Without the help of the VT legislature this newly single, working full time mom would be fearful about how she would pay her bills, her family fed and paying for college. A thank you on paper truly is not enough. Please know that I am extremely appreciative of all of you.”

Long-Term Care Practical Nursing Cohort
40 Students
5 Sites at Long-Term Care Facilities

Workforce Upskilling Initiative

“It has changed my life, I will be the first in my family to attend college full time. I knew I would have to bear the costs of college myself with no aid from my parents and I was hesitating signing up full time for classes as I didn't feel I could afford it. I was so relieved to find that there was a grant for my intended occupation!”

Workforce 2.0 Upskilling
956 Students
1,642 Courses
2/3 of Funding Used

Critical Occupations Scholarship

“I am extremely grateful. I am a low income person and could barely make it financially before applying. While my financial situation hasn’t changed, knowing that I won’t have this year of debt to pay off later is such a weight off my shoulders for an already financially restricted student.”

Critical Occupations
1,918 Students
Median Age: 28
Median Family AGI: \$67,000
85% Women

Program	Institution	Fall 2020	Fall 2021
Childcare Certificate	CCV	34	63
A.A. Early Childhood Education	CCV	304	438
B.S Early Childhood Education	NVU	34	40
B.A. Early Childhood Education	Castleton	13	25
Allied Health Prep Certificate	CCV	227	279
LPN Certificate	Vermont Tech	169	169
A.S. Nursing	Vermont Tech	159	157
B.S. Nursing	Vermont Tech	52	94
B.S. Nursing	Castleton	254	236

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Welcome Home Scholarship

“It has absolutely changed my life for the better. I felt like I was stuck for years on end working really hard but not getting anywhere. This scholarship was the help I needed to finally advance my career. I am looking forward to entering a healthcare career and give back to Vermont communities. Thank you!!!”

Welcome Home

278 Students

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Degree Completion Scholarship

“I appreciate the financial relief this scholarship has given to myself and my family. Having this scholarship has allowed me to take more courses per semester which means I will finish my degree in less time. Thank you for the opportunity!”

Degree Completion

122 Students

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FY2022 Appropriations

Category	Appropriation (millions)
Ongoing Funding	
Base Appropriation	30.5
Increase to Base	5.0
TOTAL Ongoing Funding	35.5
One-Time Funding	
Bridge Funding	21.0
Transformation Funding (FY22-25)	20.0
Scholarships & Workforce Dev.	12.4
TOTAL One-Time Funding	53.4
TOTAL ACT 74 FUNDING	88.9

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VSCS Budget Adjustment Request

1. Additional Critical Occupations Funds
2. Authorization to use remaining FY2020 Funds for CTE Pilot Program
3. Welcome Home Scholarship Authorization
4. Critical Occupations Plus

Additional Critical Occupations Funds

- FY2022 appropriation: \$5,000,000
- Request: \$2,350,000 additional funds

Critical Occupations
1,918 Students
Median Age: 28
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CTE Program Pilot

- VSC requests language authorizing the use of \$169,123 remaining from Act 80 of 2019 to pilot delivering up to two associates programs at two CTE centers.
- Report due to state in January 2023

Welcome Home Scholarship Authorization

Sec. G300(b)4: \$2,000,000 to the Vermont State Colleges to provide welcome home scholarships of \$5,000 per year or \$2,500 per semester for full-time students enrolled for 12 or more credits, or \$3,000 per year or \$1,500 per semester for part-time students, to Vermonters transferring from out-of-state institutions or returning to school after exiting in 2020–2021. This program's mission is to incentivize students to come home to Vermont by transferring to Vermont State College System institutions and to complete their degree if they left school without finishing in 2020–2021.

Critical Occupations Plus

- Adds essential programs:
 - Mechanical Engineering
 - Electrical Engineering
 - Graduate Mental Health
 - School Psychology
- Funds eligible non-citizen Vermont residents
- Funds nursing students pursuing a second Bachelor's degree
- Establishes income thresholds

Thank You

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