**Goal Statement**

Increase responsiveness to workforce development needs by expanding and developing programs in high demand fields in the state

**Objective 2.1.1**

Increase degrees and certificates awarded in high-demand occupational fields

**Metric 2.1.1**

MUS Degrees Awarded in STEM Fields

**Objective 2.1.2**

Increase job placement rates

**Metric 2.1.2**

Percentage of Resident Graduates Entering Montana's Workforce

Graduates Employed Within One Year of Graduation

source: OCHE/DLI data match; MUS graduates matched to unemployment insurance wage data

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System Initiatives:

MT STEM Scholarship
The 2019 Legislature revitalized the MT STEM Scholarship by shifting Lottery funding from last dollar to first dollar and extending the number of years that students can receive scholarships from two to four. Award amounts are $1,000 in the first year, $1,500 in years two and three, and $2,000 in year four.

CTE/Big Sky Pathways
In collaboration with OPI, K-12 school districts, two-year colleges, and business and industry, develop and promote sequential curriculum providing high school students with a clear, non-duplicative pathway from high school to two-year colleges and/or careers.

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Objective 2.1.3
Increase the number of certificates and degrees conferred in 2-year programs

Metric 2.1.3

Degrees & Certificates Awarded by MUS 2-year Colleges
(does not include CC’s)