#### **Academic Excellence Goals**

## Goal 8: Increase enrollment in graduate & professional programs

Presentation to the UVM Board of Trustees' Educational Policy and Institutional Resources Committee

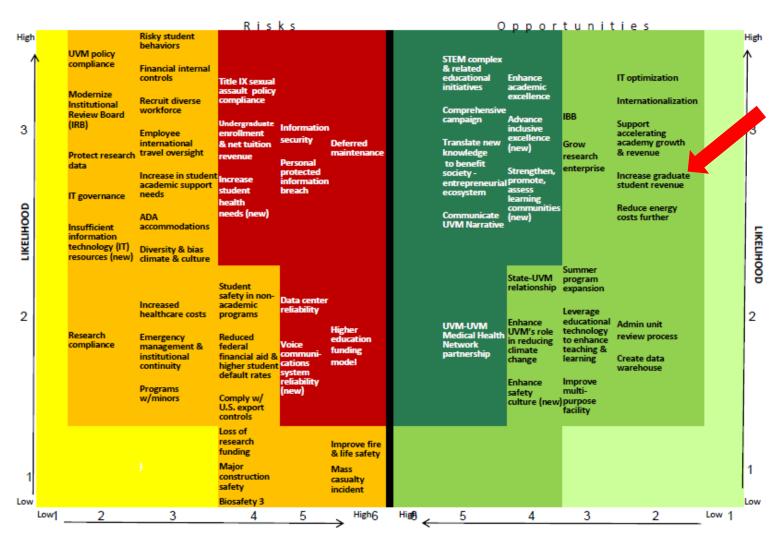
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Note: We are distributing an IN-MEETING HANDOUT (hardcopy), a larger slide deck with additional slides/information

## Risk-Opportunity Portfolio: Opportunity/MRP#4 "Enhance Academic Excellence"

identified as an institutional opportunity 2013



#### 8 Academic Excellence Goals

#### established 2013

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## Academic Excellence Goals EPIR Presentation Cycle

	FEBRUARY	MAY	OCTOBER
2014		3	6
2015	1,2	8	4
2016	5	6	7
2017		3	<b>1,2</b> via EAB-SSC
2018	4	5	8
2019	Overview	7	3
2020	6	4	1,2
2021	5	8	7

First Presentation
Second Presentation

Third Presentation (order subject to change)

# Academic Excellence Goal #8: Increase enrollments in graduate and professional programs

Cindy Forehand Dean, Graduate College

#### **Growing Graduate Enrollment: 5 year plan**

Target 1: 30% increase in graduate enrollment by 2020

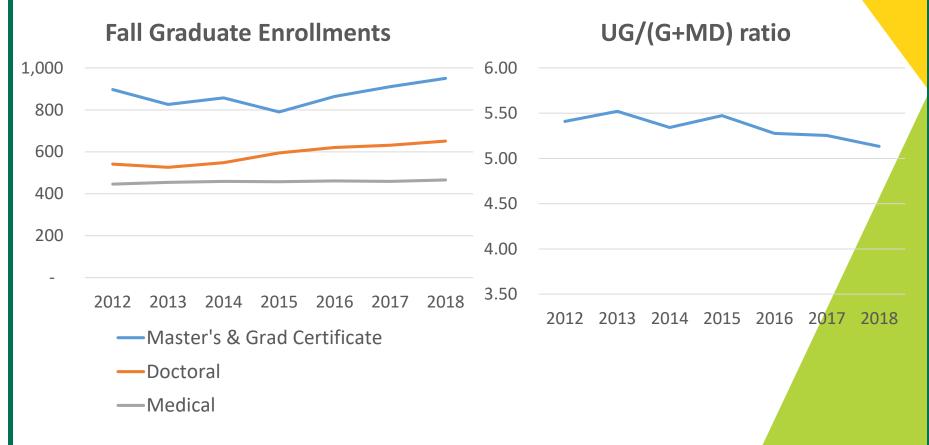
Progress: 个 16% as of Fall 2018

Note: Grad NTR ↑ 46% from 2016 and 2018

**Target 2:** Decrease UG/G ratio from 5.5 to 4.5

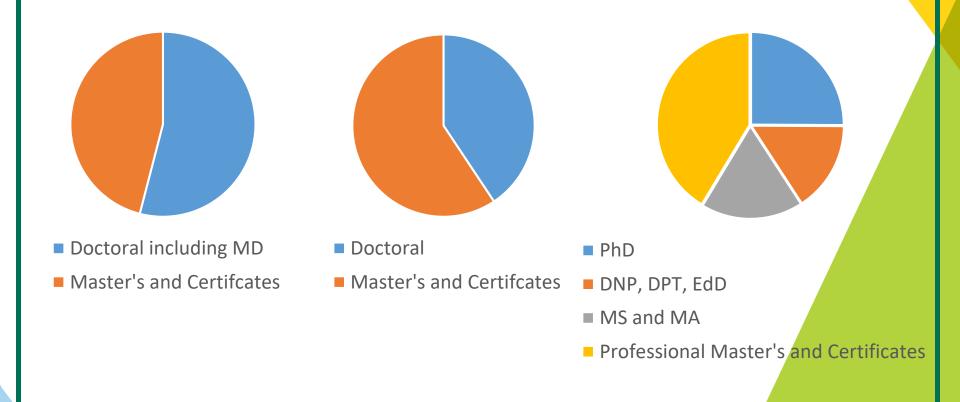
Progress:  $\downarrow$  to 5.1 as of Fall 2018

#### **Enrollment Trends**

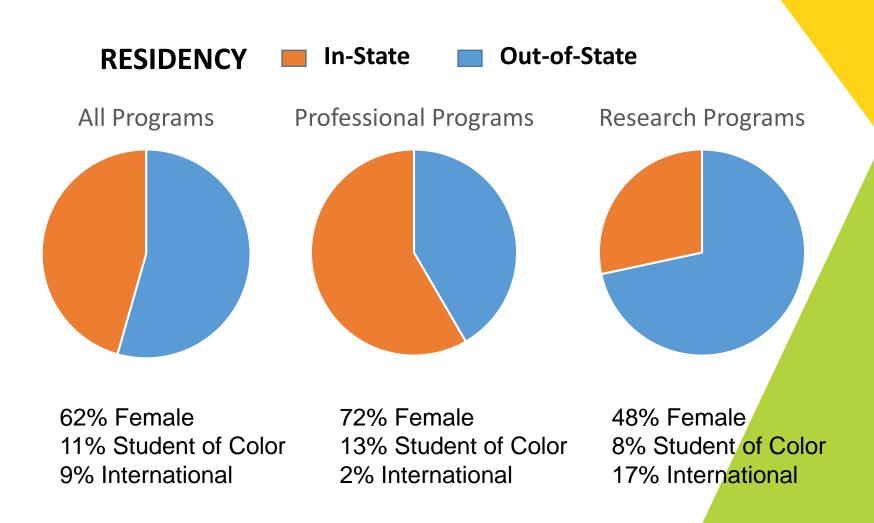


NOTE: Most growth at both master's and doctoral level is in professional programs.

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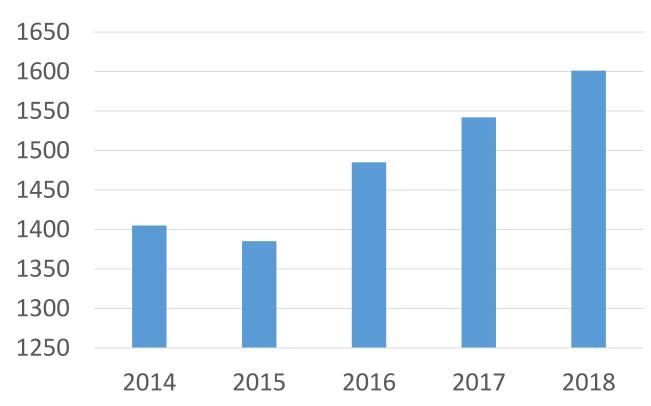


### **Growing Graduate Enrollment: Strategies**

- Increase numbers of students in current programs
  - ✓ Enhance recruitment
  - ✓ Accelerated master's options
  - ✓ Variable tuition
  - ✓ Increase international enrollment
- Develop new programs that attract new students
  - ✓ Online and residential
  - ✓ Focus on professional master's
- Increase support for doctoral programs focus on interdisciplinary

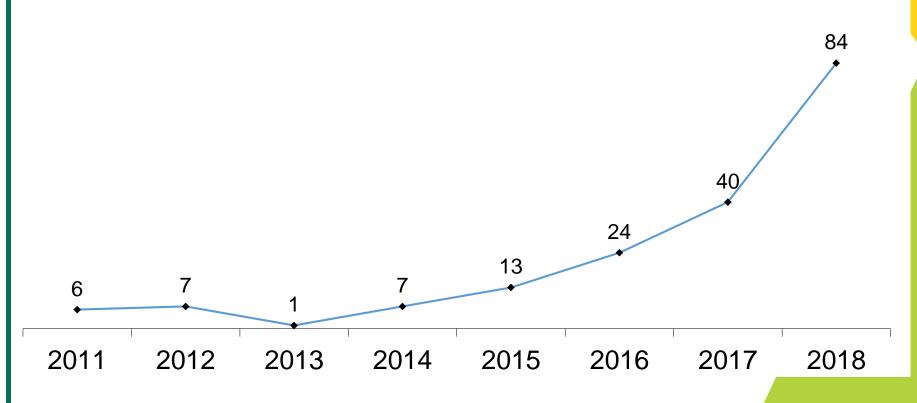
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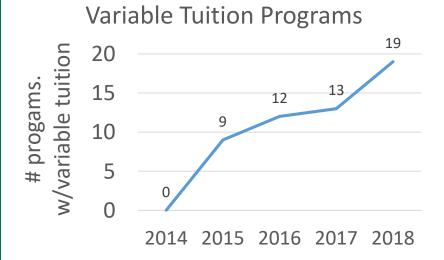


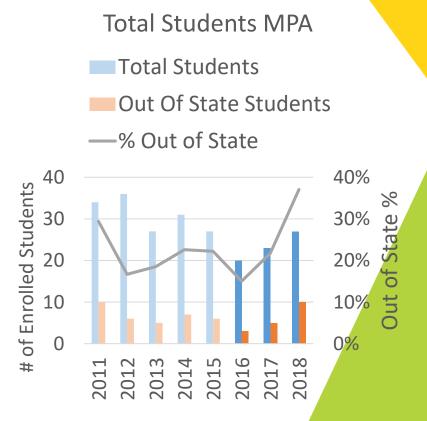
#### **Accelerated Master's Programs**

Accelerated Master's students in Undergraduate Dual Enrollment



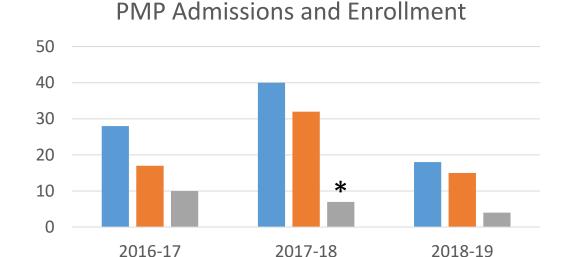
#### **Variable Tuition Rate Success**





Faded color = before VTR

#### **Pre-Master's Program (PMP) Enrollment Trends**



\*Enrollment deposits June 2017

Admitted

■ Enrolled

Note: Federal landscape posing challenges to all US universities

Applicants

#### **Increasing Enrollments: New Programs**

3 new programs approved FY15

2 new programs approved FY16

3 new programs approved FY17

8 new programs approved FY18

At least one from each college/school

Note: New program enrollment is ~40% of the growth in graduate enrollments since 2015

## New Interdisciplinary Training Grants: \$7.25M over 5 years

NSF NRT: Quantitative and Evolutionary STEM Training (QUEST): An Integrative Training Program for Versatile STEM Professionals to Solve Environmental and Global Health Problems

NIH T32: Training in Complex Systems and Data Science Approaches Applied to the Neurobiology of Drug Use

Department of Education Office of Special Education Programs: Interprofessional Education (IPE) Project

#### **Growing Graduate Enrollments -- Are we on track?**

- Fall 2018 graduate enrollment up 16% since Fall 2015
- Need ~200 more students by Fall 2020 to achieve 5-year 30% growth target
- Lag time in realizing enrollments from new programs, beginning to see results
- International recruitment success not expected to improve under current climate
- Success in winning new training grants and faculty research grants bodes well

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Closing Thoughts:

David V. Rosowsky
Provost and Senior Vice President

#### The University of Vermont

"Anytime faculty and departments think and re-think about how they reach, engage, and excite students it's a good thing." - D. Rosowsky, Provost





#### ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: Goals for the University of Vermont

Supporting the President's Strategic Action Plan

These goals are established to animate President Sullivan's Strategic Action Plan and facilitate University-wide discussions, engagement, and initiatives around Academic Excellence.

Success in these areas will lead, authentically and in a sustainable way, to increased selectivity, improved student quality, and improvements in national rankings and other reputational indicators.

These goals also serve as drivers to the University-wide IBB development process initiated in fall 2013.

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D. Rosowsky, Provost and Senior Vice President October 24, 2013