**OUR "FRONT DOOR" IS OPEN**

In 2020, Governor Phil Scott issued a challenge to boost Vermont’s workforce development, retention, and growth. UVM’s Office of Engagement (OOE) is here to make that happen. Thanks to funding from the state legislature, the OOE is enhancing access to internships, UVM research capacity, entrepreneurship ecosystems, and training and educational opportunities for all Vermonters. Early successes included investing in COVID-19 projects to support communities throughout the state. The Office of Engagement continues to amplify the impact of UVM throughout the state by partnering with organizations to create partnerships and by providing critical data for developing resilient economic strategies.

### FRONT DOOR SERVICES

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<td>The Office of Engagement has made discrete contacts with a diverse set of constituents throughout the state of Vermont.</td>
<td>The new website is serving as the digital front door to welcome visitors and help get them connected.</td>
<td>A total of 2,041 subscribers receive monthly updates from our stories of engagement.</td>
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### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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<td>The Office of Engagement has applied to establish the first EDA University Center in Vermont history.</td>
<td>A 3 year average shows 68.1% of in-state and 32.2% of out-of-state students stay in Vermont to live and work.</td>
<td>Monthly forums and email lists keep people connected. UVM is a key part of the thriving ecosystem of entrepreneurship in Vermont.</td>
<td>OOE engaged 75 industry leaders to identify priorities for economic resiliency.</td>
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### WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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<td>OOE led a campaign to connect Vermont businesses with UVM to create new internships for students to get involved in VT.</td>
<td>Vermont-based organizations posted 365 new internships last year. UVM also launched a new micro-internship program.</td>
<td>Data services for economic and workforce development help our internal and external partners with decision making.</td>
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### BUSINESS SERVICES

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<td>To support recovery from the impacts of COVID-19, OOE funded projects that addressed community needs.</td>
<td>Air purification upgrades were installed so that community members could safely access community resources.</td>
<td>Hand-washing stations and COVID-19 safety materials were distributed enabling safe operations and continuity of agrotourism.</td>
<td>Efforts of UVM students promote civic engagement by covering local news stories and supporting websites.</td>
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