MONTANA TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

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- Montana Technological University recognized for the lowest student loan debt in the state of Montana for graduates by LendEDU. Their fifth annual report placed Montana Tech number one for Montana and number ninety-one nationally among public and private colleges and universities for having the lowest average student loan debt per borrower.
- Montana Technological University and Clark Fork Watershed Education Program (CFWEP) received a $100,000 two-year grant from the EPA for expanding environmental literacy and stewardship. CFWEP and Tech along with community partners will deliver a comprehensive two-year program for teachers within rural, Superfund-affected communities of western Montana.
- The Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET has accredited Montana Technological University's bachelor's degrees in civil and mechanical engineering. ABET accreditation assures that Tech's programs meet standards to produce graduates ready to enter critical technical fields leading the way in innovation and emerging technologies and anticipating the public's welfare and safety needs.
- Faculty and students from the Precision Machining Program at Montana Technological University's Highlands College provided parts that will be going to NASA's International Space Station on SpaceX 21.
- Montana Tech ranks as the top best value engineering school by Best Value Schools. The list, published September 3, is released annually by BestValueSchools.com.
- Montana Tech welcomes ten students into the second cohort into Honors Program. Over 60 students applied to be in this year's program. The students selected for this year's cohort have a combined average GPA 3.99 and an average ACT math score of 30.
- Montana Tech celebrated Indigenous Peoples' Day on October 12, 2020. There were various cultural and educational events. Traditional indigenous meals were also served.
- Montana Tech experienced the highest retention rate in years this fall and perhaps the highest ever. The north campus retention rate is at 81%, while Highlands College increased from 57% in the fall of 2019 to 65%.