



MUS Sprint Degrees



What are we trying to accomplish?

1. **Increase accessed for Montana students** who are academically ready, career focused and prefer accelerated degree options, but are concerned that higher education is cost prohibitive and too long of a commitment;
2. **Intentional Workforce development** by producing skilled graduates faster for Montana's highest demand sectors;
3. **Flexible program offerings** that can adjust to the ongoing needs of Montana industries ; and
4. **Innovation and efficiency** by providing new and streamlined pathways to degrees for students and demonstrating that higher education can quickly respond and adapt to industry needs.



Main pillars of Sprint Degrees:



- Designed to support Montana's workforce needs
- Intentional industry engagement/partnership
- Help students feel confident in post-secondary decision
- High-quality education that results in students learning faster and entering the workforce sooner



Student Outcomes

- Students enter the workforce in an accelerated timeline with a degree in a high-need, high-wage field in Montana
- Students receive financial, career and academic supports
 - Scholarships to help cover costs of tuition, books, and fees
 - Work-based learning opportunities throughout the completion of degree
 - Access to clinical placements that are in line with their degree plan
 - Academic and career mentorship while completing coursework
- Students have a clearer understanding of how their education connects to their future career



Industry Outcomes

- Industry partners make earlier connections with students to help fill workforce demands
- Industry partners receive highly skilled students for employment needs
- Industry partners continue building relationships with MUS institutions



Pilot Programs

PARAMEDIC

A.A.S. Degree
1 Year Program



HUMAN SERVICES

B.S. Degree
2.5 Year Program



SURGICAL TECH

A.A.S. Degree
5 Semester
Program



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Sprint Degrees

The new Sprint Degrees from the Montana University System will help you do two things quickly: earn a degree and begin a career.

These accelerated programs are designed in partnership with leading Montana employers, so you'll



External Outreach

- MPSEOC
- MCAN
- GEAR UP
- TRIO – Talent Search
- Montana HOSA
- Billings Career Center
- Montana AHEC
- MHA
- Billings area Guidance Counselors
- Human Resources Development Council



How will we measure success?

- Students
 - Enrollment
 - Completion
 - Placement
- Industry
 - Employees
 - Relationships
- Have we created something that allows us to learn and grow?



Questions?

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