

# High Touch and High Tech: Enhancing College & Career Readiness

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# Montana Job Projections

From Georgetown University's Center on Education & the Workforce

25% require 4-yr degree

37% require some college

**62%**

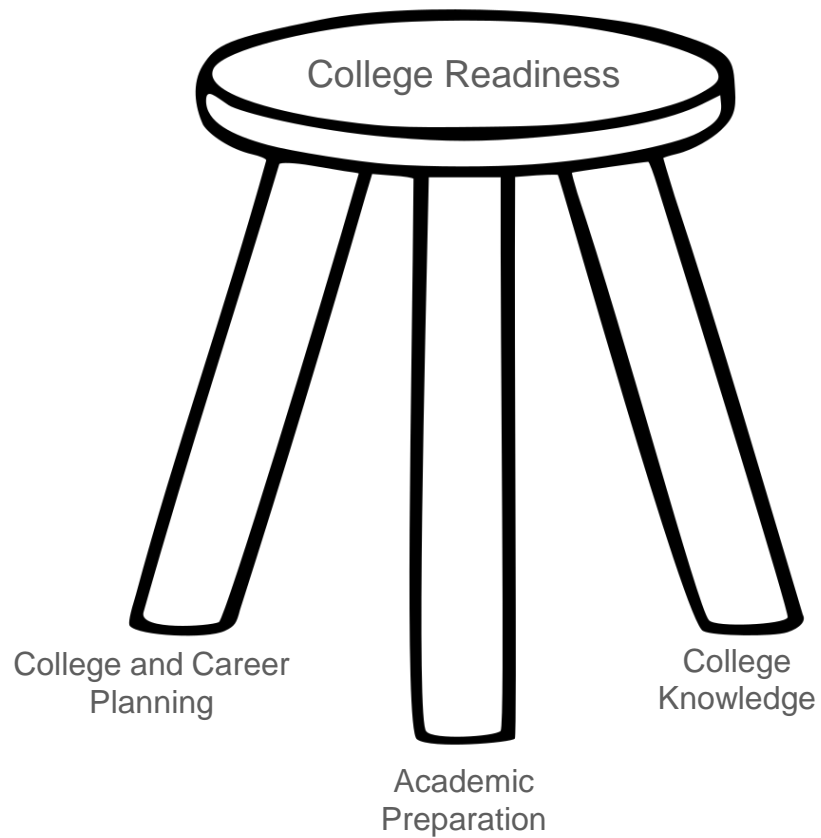
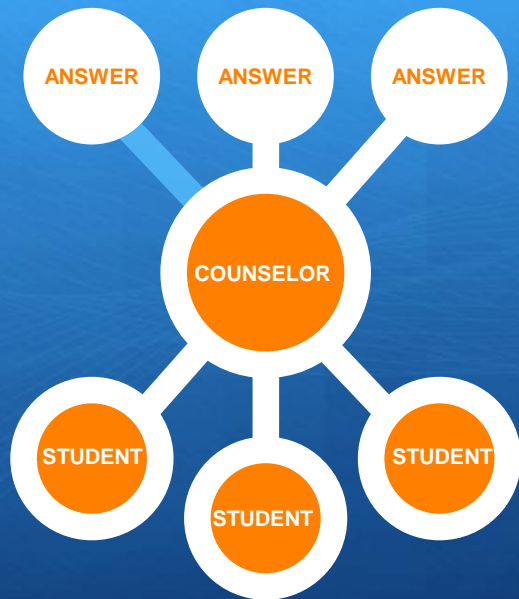
31% didn't return for  
2<sup>nd</sup> year at 4-year;  
50% didn't return at  
2-year college

## College-going Rate Directly from High School

1994	54.2%
2004	57.8%
2014	60.9%

State Profile Report, NCHEMS; [www.higheredinfo.org](http://www.higheredinfo.org)

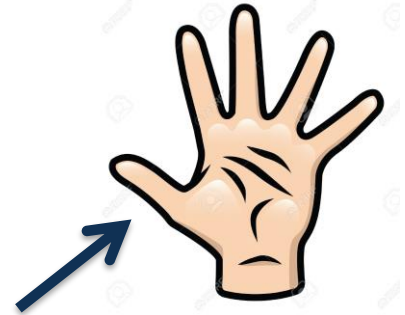
# THE PROBLEM: COLLEGE READINESS





# Scholarship Identification and Application

- Build awareness of the need for postsecondary education
- Increase financial competency
- Learning how to set goals
- Perform research
- Document successes





# Portfolio Creation

Students identify what they have already done and what they wish to accomplish.

- Analyze accomplishments
- Collect artifacts
- Present information in different settings for different purposes.





# Career Exploration

Students assess their interests and identify resources that can assist them in further developing skills and knowledge.

- Montana Career Information System
- Guest speakers
- Informational interviews
- Job shadowing
- Internship scoping

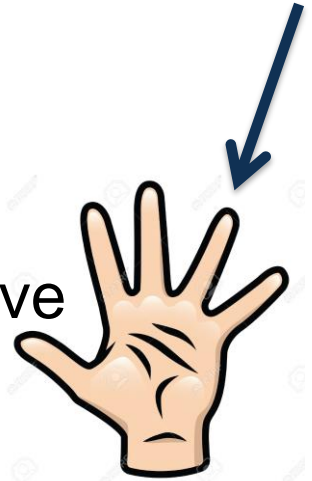




# Dual Enrollment & Internships

Students build bridges to the future through experiencing post-secondary education and vocational training while still in high school.

- Research college programs
- Interpret syllabus content
- Think about careers that may involve more than one discipline



Success Prints

# CRASH COURSE



The object of the 4-person board game is to:

- Maximize academic performance
- Make social connections
- Manage stress
- Earn money to pay for tuition
- Respond to unforeseen life events





# CRITICAL RECEPTION

“This is the first game I feel could be useful for real life.”  
-Senior

“My students were very impressed with the game and were still talking about it at the end of the day.”  
-Educator

“Can we play again? I know how I can do better next time!”  
-Junior

“Before playing, I had no idea there were so many fun social opportunities on campus other than partying!”  
-Senior

“I never thought about managing my time in this way.”  
-Sophomore


“I love how interactive the game is allowing students to ask the questions that are most important to them.”  
-Educator

“The story on these cards is so fun, I love how they don’t shy away from more mature topics.”  
-Sophomore


This is dank!  
-Junior

ROAD TRIP!  
6000 miles later  
and the feedback  
is astounding!

# Social Media for Educators, Students, and Family Members

 **Blueprints for Student Success-Montana**  
Published by Tricia Seifert [?] · 22 hrs · 🌐


This is an inspiring story for anyone who will be (or is) first in their family to attend college.




MISSOULIAN.COM


**First in the family: How a first-gen Blackfeet student finds success at UM**

85 People Reached      11 Engagements




 **@Blueprint4Success** @\_blueprints · Aug 11

Consider your college schedule like a job. Get up in the morning and work at college all day by going to class, studying in the library, & taking advantage of campus resources like the writing center or math lab.  
[@getschooled](#) [#firstgen](#) [#collegeadvice](#) [#BetterMakeRoom](#)

 **Get Schooled** @getschooled · Aug 10

Current college students: what advice do you have for incoming freshmen when it comes to making their schedule?

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 **blueprints4success**  
Glacier National Park

steadied me as the bridge bounced below.

As students go off to college in the coming weeks, I invite them to reach out and find the guide wires on campus who will help steady them. These awesome people might be a [#peer](#) [#orientation](#) leader or a Residence Advisor. They may be a [#faculty](#) member or a Teaching Assistant. The first week of [#college](#) can feel bouncy and unsteady; just like this bridge. But know that guide wires are on both sides of you; you just have to reach out and hold on.

[#collegeready](#) [#studentsuccess](#) [#holdon](#) [#youvegotthis](#) [#firstgen](#) [#collegetransition](#) [#readyforcollege](#) [#collegesuccess](#) [#newstudent](#)

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1 DAY AGO

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    wheels.Move(1.0)
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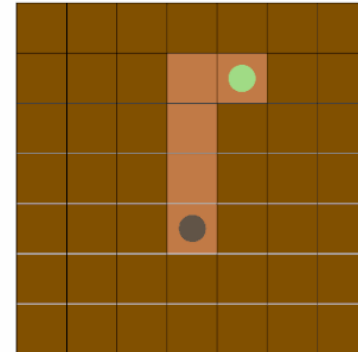
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main method

editing

alpha method

edit



**RUN  
PROGRAM**

RESET

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EXIT HOMEWORK

# Accomplishments

1 Video game for students

Will launch - College Application Week 2019

42 Events

256 Interactions with adults

804 Interactions with students

1000+ Interactions promoting college & career exploration, knowledge, & readiness

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