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In an effort to improve your reading experience, we are shortening our updates and providing more detail on our [new blog](#). We hope this allows you to focus on the updates important to you.



COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY INTERSHIPS IN VERMONT
SUMMARY OF CURRENT STATE

Vermont Futures Project Finds Internship Accessibility Excellent; Job Conversion Needs Work

One of the Vermont Futures Project's first [major research projects](#) finds that Vermont college and university students have ample opportunity to learn about Vermont employers through internships. At the same time, there is significant need to improve the state's internship-to-job conversion rate.

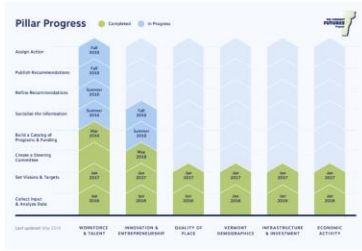
We are now exploring a second research project to learn about what's working and what needs improvement among employer internship programs.

[Access Full Report](#)



Vermont Futures Project Launches Innovation and Entrepreneurship Pillar

On May 24, in conjunction with the Vermont Chamber of Commerce's [Business Expo 2018](#), the [Vermont Futures Project](#) launched its work on the Innovation and Entrepreneurship pillar. [Read more](#) about how sixteen experts are already guiding us forward.



Reporting Progress

Now you can follow our progress as we address each of our six economic pillars. We just launched [a new web page and infographic](#) that we will periodically update so you know where we are focusing our efforts, and when we plan to address your pillar or pillars of interest.

Local Organizations Welcome Vermont Futures Project

Over the past several months we've had the opportunity to promote the work of the Vermont Futures Project with a number of groups and organizations to expand our reach and engage new expertise as we work toward shared goals:



- Franklin County leaders gathered at [Northwestern Medical Center](#) in St. Albans to learn about the Vermont Futures Project and discuss ways to use our data to guide their regional efforts. [Read more.](#)



- [Northwestern Vermont Board of Realtors](#) welcomed Betsy Bishop and Chad T. Ahern for a [discussion of the Vermont Futures Project 2040 goals](#).



- On May 3, at the invitation of [Rep. Heidi Scheuermann](#), Vermont Futures Project staff [enjoyed an evening discussion](#) with members of the Stowe Rotary Club.



- [Careers CLIC](#) and the Vermont Internship Professionals Network welcomed Chad Ahern and Judy Beningson to [discuss the recently released Vermont Internships Report](#).



- Bill Shouldice, Vermont Futures Project Board Chair, [updated members of the Vermont Bankers Association](#) during their June 7 annual meeting.

[Contact us](#) if your group would like to learn more about the Vermont Futures Project and our work.



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