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PSU Legislators Brunch

At the December 4 PSU [Legislators Brunch](#), Plymouth State shared recent [updates](#) on the University's work in the North Country, our open laboratories, our research regarding the impact of foreign direct investment in New Hampshire, PSU's new high-tech makerspace, two new certificate programs (entrepreneurship and medical sales), our robotics major and facilities, and our up-to-date career development initiatives. Two third-year [Doctor of Physical Therapy](#) students explained the excellent hands-on training they receive and discussed the [Physical Therapy Pro Bono Clinic](#). We invite you (and other members of the public) to schedule an appointment for a free physical therapy evaluation. PSU also shared information on the New Hampshire [UNIQUE Scholarship](#) programs, which provide access to higher education through \$1,000 scholarships to state residents in need. At the end of the brunch, legislators visited the [Showcase of Student Engagement](#), which included over 256 different projects from over 969 students from 47 instructors. Please ask your colleagues about the Showcase. Our students are impressive!



The Value of Higher Education

Higher education benefits not just individuals but society as a whole. Communities with large numbers of four-year degree graduates have greater tax revenues plus lower incidences of poverty, unemployment, disability, etc. This reduces spending on public assistance and social insurance and frees up government resources for other programs. Higher education provides [cultural](#) as well as [economic value](#). It teaches students how to learn, think critically, and to be mentally flexible and agile in order to adapt to changing circumstances. More broadly, it teaches students **how to live well in a complex and diverse world while elevating our shared society.**

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Happy Holidays from PSU to you and yours!

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