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A Brief History Oregon's Public Social Work School

- Established by the Legislature (HB 1750, 1961)
- PSU Alumni Represent over half of Oregon's Social Work
 Workforce
- "Changing lives, changing communities"





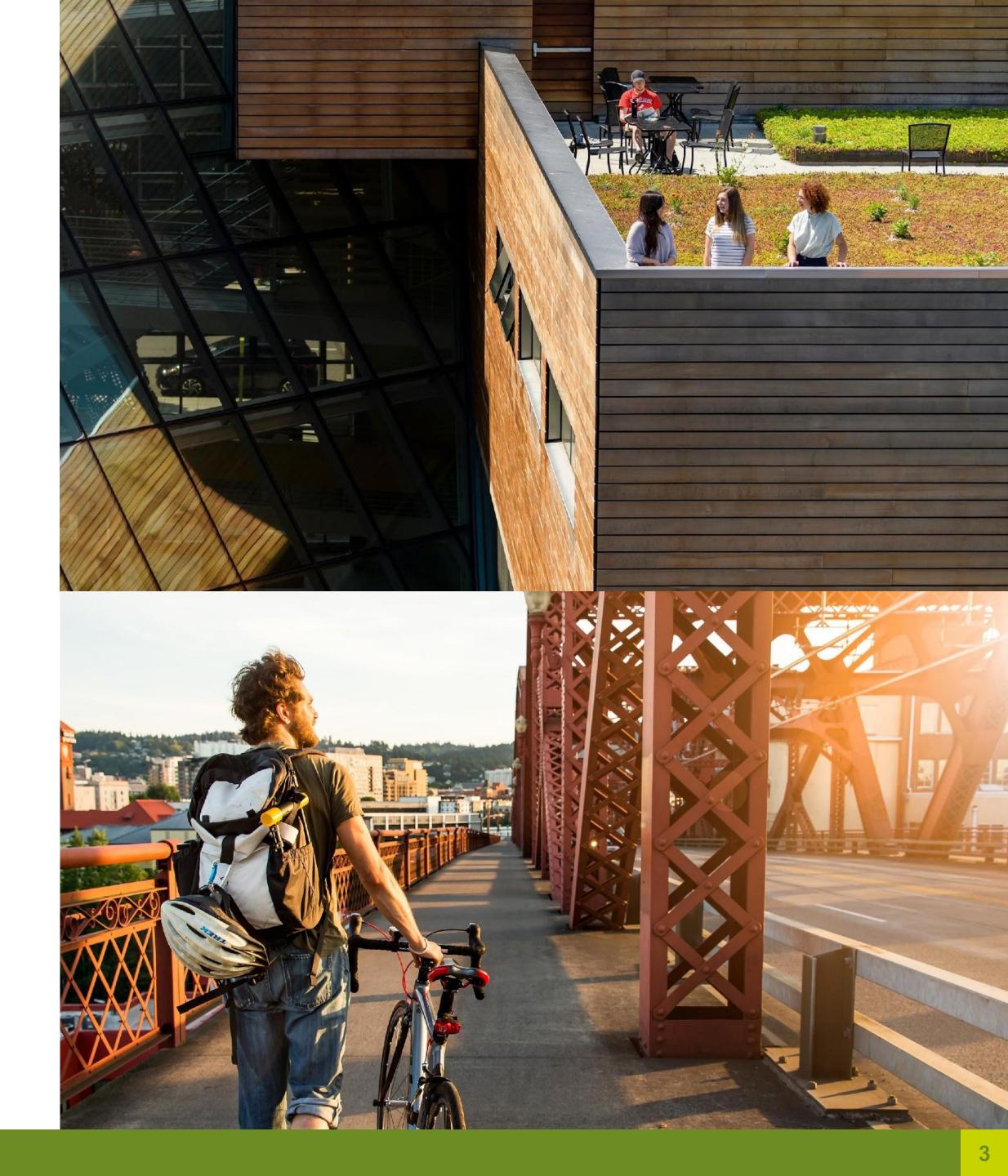




Our Students

ENROLLMENT: OVER 1,300 STUDENTS (BSW, CYFS, MSW, PHD)

430 Degrees Awarded (2021-22) 51.5% BIPOC Students 280,000 hours annually of service/accreditation required internship and community engagement to Oregon





The Problem

Oregon needs to grow and support the Behavioral Health Workforce

Implementation of BM 110 and the behavioral health needs of our citizens requires a response.

There is a clear need for additional behavioral health provides in the State who have advanced training and eligible as Alcohol and Drug Counselors (CADC)





Outcomes

- Increase state wide admissions
- Increase student supports (scholarships, internships, etc)
- Emphasis on advanced training on mental health and substance use disorder
- Increase the number of faculty with Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment expertise
- Self Sustaining After 5 years





Why PSU? We are the behavioral health workforce

Only public Statewide School of Social Work Largest educator of Social Workers Existing state mandate Statewide partnerships Workforce diversification Substance Use Disorder Coursework **History and experience Online program Future Ready CPL Grant**









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Thank you **Questions?**



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