



December 6, 2010

Dear Legislator:

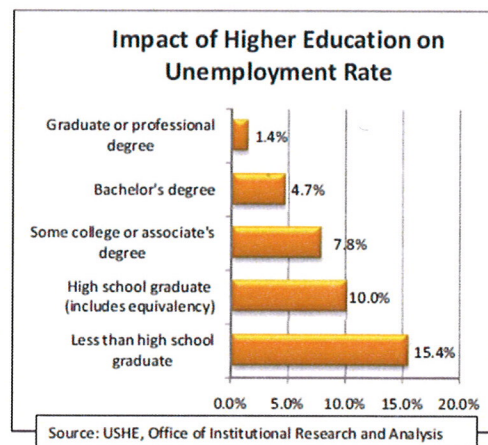
On behalf of the 10,000 members of the Utah Higher Education Staff Association (UHESA) we want to thank you in advance for all the hard work you will put into the upcoming 2011 legislative session and ask for your continued support of higher education.

During the last legislative session, the use of the "rainy day" fund to help offset some of the budget cuts was instrumental for higher education as we strive to continue providing the highest quality education to our students.

Since UHESA is a combination of the staff associations from the nine public higher education institutions across the State of Utah, **we are the individuals that are recruiting, supporting, advising and retaining the current and future students of our institutions in preparation for them to enter the Utah job market.**

In a recent study performed by Georgetown University, 66% of the jobs in Utah will require various Higher Educational degrees or certificates by the year 2020. As demonstrated by the chart from the Utah State Higher Education Commission, citizens with more education will be less likely to be unemployed.

UHESA would like to help our Legislature and Governor Gary Herbert take strategic steps in continuing to assure Utah will avoid the far-reaching effects of another economic downturn by continuing to educate our future work force.



To ensure Utah students' needs are met, UHESA asks that you:

- **Support the Recommendations of the Higher Education 2020 Plan as outlined by the Utah State Higher Education Commission.**
- **Approve a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to the staff that will help recruit, support, and advise the future work force of Utah.**

Our annual "UHESA Day at the Capital" is scheduled for February 3, 2011 and we ask for a brief moment of your time that day to discuss how we can help prepare Utah for the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clint Moser".

Clint Moser
2010-2011 UHESA President