

# Engineering education is critical to Utah's economic development

## UTAH'S ECONOMY GROWS ON TALENT

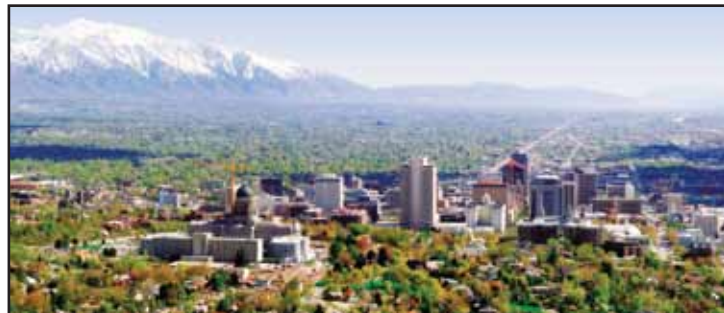
- Utah's 1,962 engineering graduates (2011) attract new companies like Adobe, Microsoft and EMC, while sustaining Utah's major employers like L-3 Communications, IM Flash, Kennecott RioTinto and ATK.

## UTAH'S ECONOMY THRIVES ON INNOVATION

- Utah's university-based engineering programs spent more than \$100M in research expenditures in Utah last year, while producing new patents, new companies and jobs.

## UTAH'S ECONOMY NEEDS INCREASED TAX REVENUE

- Engineering graduates with a BS degree or higher earn average salaries of \$65,000 or more. Nearly 80% of Utah's BS engineering graduates get jobs in Utah companies and contribute to the tax base at a significant rate.



**An investment in engineering education makes Utah's economy stronger**