The College of Engineering at Kansas State University is off to a strong start in reaching the goals of the University Engineering Initiative Act (UEIA)—to increase the number of engineering graduates by 56% in the state of Kansas over a 10-year period.

Under the direction of the Kansas Department of Commerce, in working with the Kansas Board of Regents, and K-State, KU and WSU, the plan targets engineering education efforts to fuel economic growth and business success in Kansas—adding approximately 500 new engineering graduates per year into the workforce by 2021.

Within that time frame, K-State’s College of Engineering will add more than 160 new graduates to its graduation class, the student body will grow by at least 750 students, faculty and staff positions will increase, and facilities will expand by more than 100,000 square feet.