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Enrollment in the University of Montana's Graduate School is up 30 per cent over last fall, placing it fourth among 88 other state universities and land-grant colleges, according to Dr. Fred S. Honkala, dean of the school.

Dean Honkala said that increase was based upon figures available the first of September and present figures indicate a 39 per cent increase, or 416 this fall over 291 in the fall of 1964.

The three schools showing an equal or greater increase than U of M were the University of California at San Diego, the University of South Carolina and South Dakota State College.

Dean Honkala indicated the reason for the tremendous increase in graduate enrollment here was largely a result of the re-evaluation and changes made in the U of M graduate programs recently.

The improved programs have increased the availability of grants and student fellowships from outside sources, he added.

"Such growth," Dean Honkala declared, "indicates that graduate students want to study here. However, they can not continue to be accommodated if the demand for new facilities--particularly in the sciences--is not met."

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