

Five Facts About Graduate Student Debt

(2016-2017)

- 1 How many Cornell PhD students graduated with educational debt last year?

17
of 501

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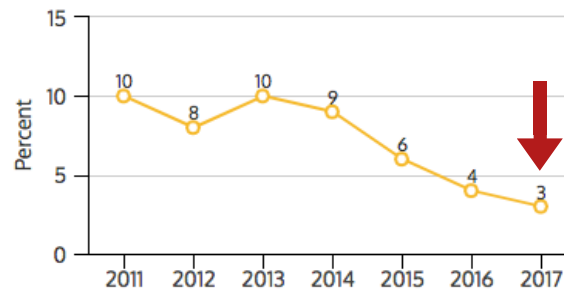


incurred educational loan debt.

- 2 Do more PhD students graduate with educational debt now than in previous years?

No!

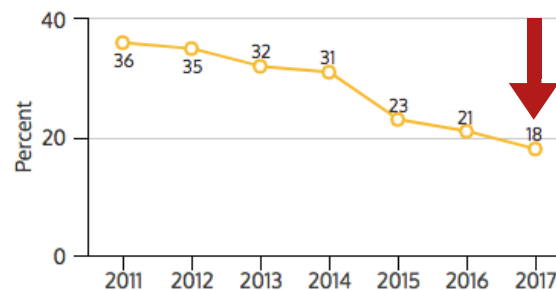
The percent of PhD students with debt has fallen steadily from 10% in 2011 to 3% in 2017.



- 3 Do more professional masters students graduate with educational debt now than in previous years?

No!

The percent of professional masters students graduating with educational debt has fallen.



- 4 What is the median loan debt at graduation for the 3% of PhD students who graduated with educational debt?



\$12,288

in 2017

down from

\$15,612

in 2016



- 5 Of the 3%, or 17, PhD students who graduated with educational debt, in how many years did they borrow? ?



10 borrowed in only 1 year

4 borrowed in 2 years

2 borrowed in 4 or more years

