NIU Alumni Outcomes
Graduate Students
Academic Year 2020-2021

Employment and Additional Education

Accreditation, Assessment and Evaluation
Background

Sample

• Graduate alumni
  • Fall 2020, Spring 2021, and Summer 2021

Method

• Qualtrics survey (administered via email, text, and phone calls)
• Graduating cohorts surveyed 3-11 months post-graduation

Survey Highlights

• Alumni current employment at time of survey
• Alumni additional education at time of survey
Response Rates
(N = Total Number of Alumni)

- College of Business (N = 324): 46%
- College of Education (N = 373): 29%
- College of Engineering & Engineering Technology (N = 95): 42%
- College of Health & Human Sciences (N = 129): 29%
- College of Liberal Arts & Sciences (N = 86): 71%
- College of Visual & Performing Arts (N = 49): 24%
- Overall (N = 1056): 39%
Current Primary Status
(approx. 3-11 months after graduation)

- Employed full-time: 87%
- Seeking employment: 5%
- Employed part-time: 4%
- Enrolled in a program of continuing education: 2%
- Planning to continue education but not yet enrolled: 1%
- Not seeking employment or continuing education at this time: 0%
- Serving in the military: 0%

Total Respondents = 408
Current Primary Employment
(approx. 3-11 months after graduation)

Total Respondents = 316
## Earnings

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<td>Annual earned income (before taxes, in U.S. $) from current primary employment</td>
<td>$70,000.00</td>
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<td>Amount of guaranteed first year/signing bonus from current primary employment</td>
<td>$5,000.00</td>
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Relatedness of NIU Degree to Current Job

- Closely related: 61%
- Related: 29%
- Unrelated, by choice: 4%
- Unrelated, not by choice: 7%

Total Respondents = 368
Preparation to Pursue Additional Education

Total Respondents = 11
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