

Graduation Survey 2017-2018

First Destinations

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THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

INTRODUCTION

The *First Destination Report* utilizes data from the Ohio State University's Graduation Survey to outline the employment and education outcomes of students who were awarded undergraduate degrees in Summer 2017, Autumn 2017 or Spring 2018. The Ohio State University Graduation Survey is administered by the Office of Student Life to all graduating undergraduate, Master's and professional degree recipients at the end of each term, with the exception of PhD and full-time MBA students who receive separate, national surveys. The survey gathers information about the experiences, satisfaction and career and education plans of graduating students, as well as their permanent contact information.

Students who applied to graduate were invited to take the survey. If students planned to graduate with more than one degree, they received only one invitation. If students planned to graduate with both an undergraduate and graduate degree, they were invited to take a survey specific to Master's/professional students. Graduating students from all campuses were invited to take the survey.

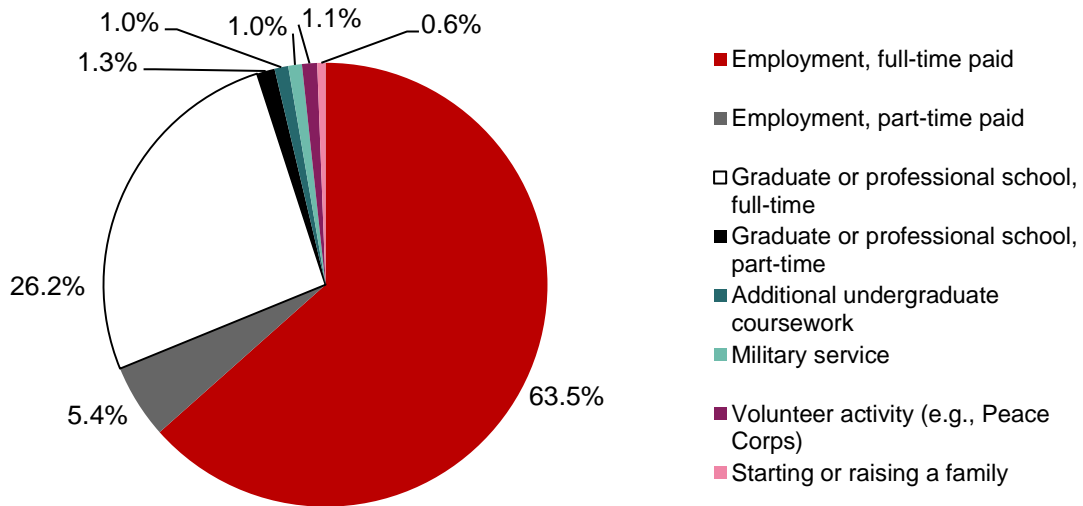
- Undergraduate degree recipients: 10,520 were invited to take the survey and 4,833 responded, for a response rate of 45.9%
 - Of the undergraduate respondents, 97 earned two bachelor's degrees.
- Master's degree recipients: 2,778 were invited to take the survey and 1,119 responded, for a response rate of 40.3%
 - Of those earning Master's degrees, 9 who responded earned a second Master's degree and 8 earned a professional degree in addition to their Master's degree.
- Professional degree recipients: 667 were invited to take the survey and 261 responded, for a response rate of 39.1%.

HIGHLIGHTS

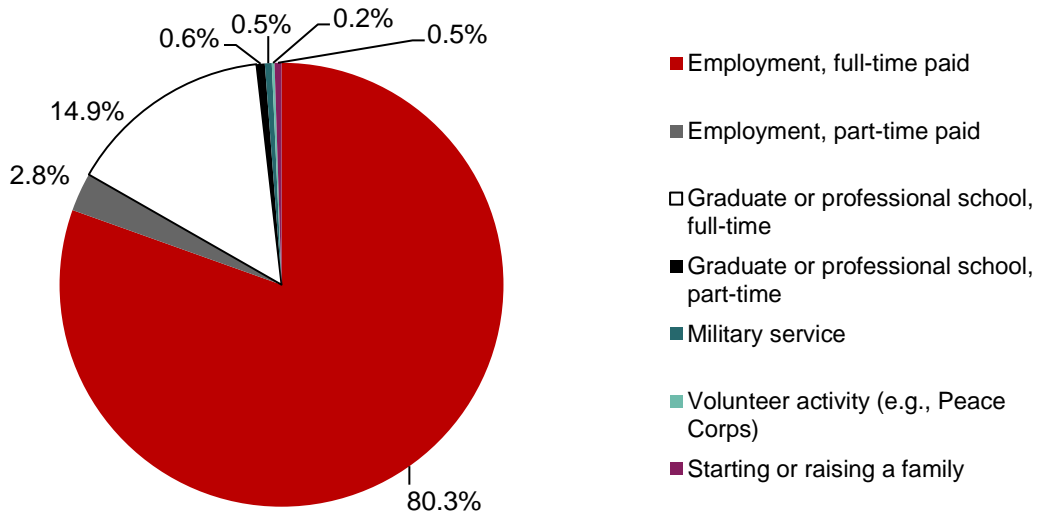
- **63.5%** of undergraduate students anticipate that they will work full-time upon graduation and **26.2%** plan to be enrolled in graduate or professional school full-time.
- **80.3%** of Master's students anticipate that they will work full-time upon graduation and **14.9%** plan to be enrolled in graduate or professional school full-time.
- **92.6%** of Professional students anticipate that they will work full-time upon graduation.
- Among students who expect to work after graduation, **46.2%** of undergraduates, **29.0%** of Master's and **79.8%** of professional students had accepted a position at the time of the survey.
- Among students who had accepted a position, **24.7%** of undergraduates, **5.0%** of Master's and **15.9%** of Professional students found their job at a career fair held at Ohio State.
- **75.8%** of undergraduate students, **59.6%** of Master's and **70.3%** of Professional students participated in an internship or work experience during their degree program. Of those who participated in an internship, **46.9%** of undergraduates, **46.0%** of Master's and **35.5%** of Professional students accepted a position with the same organization where they completed their internship.

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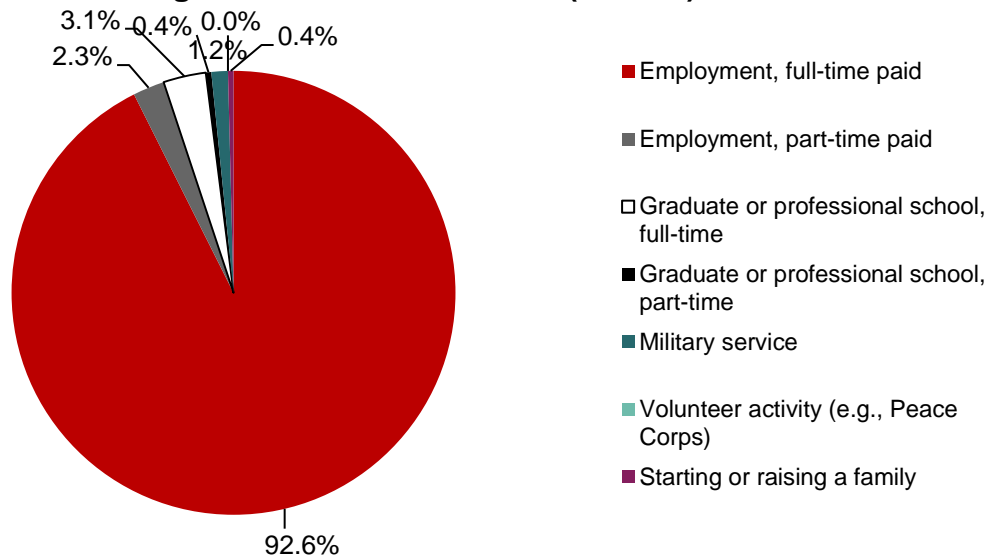
What is most likely to be your principal activity upon graduation? Undergraduate (n = 4,699)



What is most likely to be your principal activity upon graduation? Master's (n = 1,092)



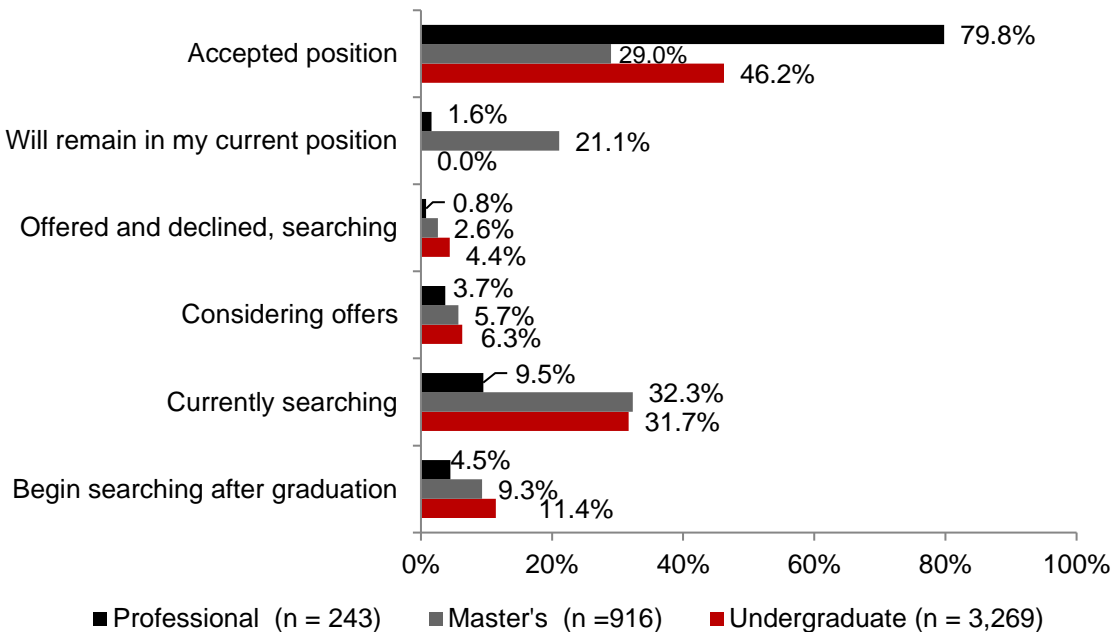
What is most likely to be your principal activity upon graduation? Professional (n = 257)



CAREERS

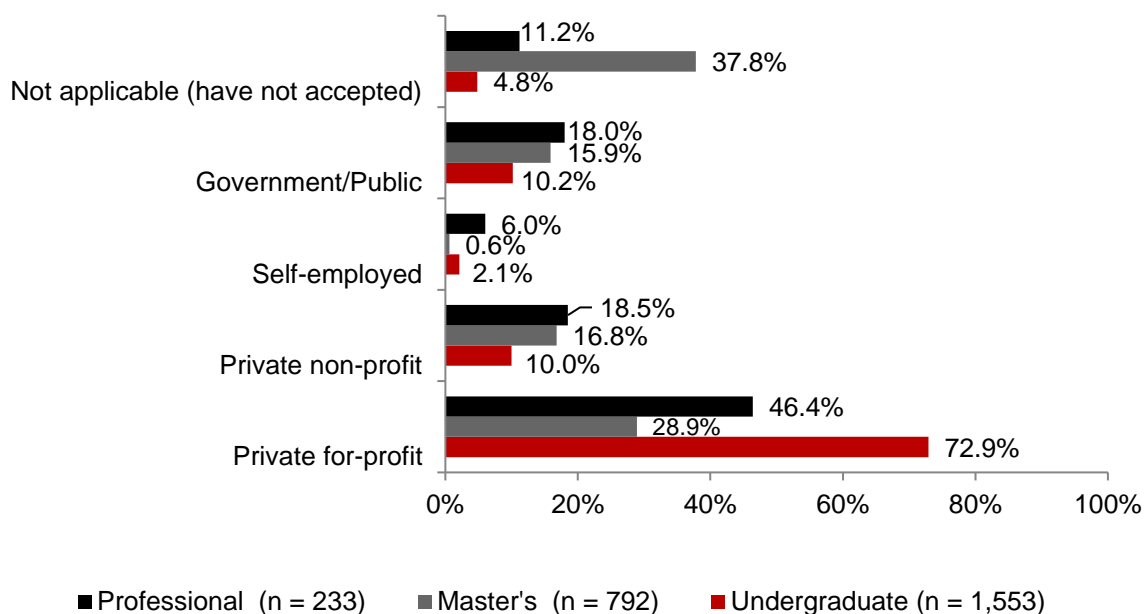
Students were asked a series of questions about their careers, including where they would be working and how well Ohio State prepared students for the job market. Among students who planned to work after graduation, 46.2% of undergraduates, 29.0% of Master's and 79.8% of professional students had accepted a position at the time of the survey (within 3 weeks of commencement).

Which of the following describes your current state of plans after graduation?



Students were asked to summarize the type of organization or section where they would work as well as the category that best describes their future position.

If you have accepted a position, in what type of organization or sector will you work?



Where or how did you find your job (select all that apply)?	Undergraduates (n = 1,019)	Master's (n = 202)	Professional (n = 227)
Career Fair held at Ohio State	24.7%	5.0%	15.9%
Career Services office at Ohio State (e.g., Buckeye Careers Network, College-specific career office)	10.0%	3.0%	6.6%
Company website	13.6%	5.9%	16.3%
Contact you made on your own	25.6%	35.1%	27.3%
Contact you made through peer, family or friend	14.5%	14.4%	11.5%
Ohio State faculty or staff referral	5.4%	6.9%	11.9%
Ohio State job posting system	8.8%	4.0%	3.1%
Online search engine	6.0%	2.5%	8.4%
Recruited	6.8%	5.4%	11.5%
An offer from an internship	19.7%	12.9%	18.1%
LinkedIn	3.2%	1.0%	4.0%
Facebook or Twitter	0.4%	1.0%	0.4%
Other social media website	0.4%	1.0%	0.4%

How well do you think Ohio State has prepared you for the job market?	Undergraduates (n = 2,941)	Master's (n = 862)	Professionals (n = 233)
Very well	27.0%	34.9%	37.3%
Generally well	49.2%	44.3%	44.2%
Neutral	14.7%	10.9%	9.0%
Inadequately	6.4%	6.5%	7.3%
Very inadequately	2.1%	1.5%	0.9%
Not applicable	0.5%	1.9%	1.3%

How important have university or college resources been in helping you to find a job?	Undergraduates (n = 2,923)	Master's (n = 850)	Professionals (n = 228)
Essential	12.4%	12.1%	13.2%
Very important	27.7%	23.6%	26.8%
Neutral	23.3%	23.9%	21.9%
Somewhat important	18.1%	13.3%	11.0%
Not important	15.2%	19.6%	19.7%
Not applicable	3.4%	7.4%	7.5%

INTERNSHIPS

	Undergraduates (n = 3,951)	Master's (n = 1,067)	Professional (n = 246)
While enrolled in your current degree program, did you complete an internship ¹ ? (% Yes)	75.8%	59.6%	70.3%
If you have accepted a position, it is with the same organization where you completed your internship? (% Yes)	46.9%	46.0%	35.5%

¹Students were asked if they completed an internship, job shadow, co-op, practicum or academic major-related work experience

EMPLOYERS

UNDERGRADUATES

If students accepted a position they were asked their job title and the name of their employer. The most frequently reported employers were:²

Abercrombie & Fitch	ExxonMobil	Nationwide Children's Hospital
Accenture	EY	Oracle
AECOM	General Motors	PepsiCo
Amazon	Honda	PNC
Anheuser-Busch	IBM	PricewaterhouseCoopers
Avanade	JP Morgan Chase	Procter & Gamble
Capital One	KeyBank	Teach For America
Cardinal Health	Kimley-Horn	The Ohio State University
Cru	KPMG	Turner Construction Company
Deloitte	L Brands	Walt Disney Company
DHL	Mettler Toledo	Wexner Medical Center
EMH&T	Microsoft	
Epic Systems	Nationwide	

²Employers listed if 5 or more students reported working for the company or organization.

The following displays up to the top five employers of undergraduate students by college. Employers are only displayed if they hired more than three graduates from the college.³

Arts & Sciences

- The Ohio State University
- JP Morgan Chase
- Amazon
- Nationwide
- Teach For America

Engineering

- General Motors
- Amazon
- Capital One
- Honda
- JP Morgan Chase

Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

- Turner Construction
- The Ohio State University

Education and Human Ecology

- Abercrombie & Fitch

Nursing

- Nationwide Children's Hospital
- OhioHealth

Fisher College of Business

- JP Morgan Chase
- EY
- Abercrombie & Fitch
- DHL
- Deloitte

Medicine

- Wexner Medical Center

³Employers reported if 3 or more students reported working for the organization. Three or more students did not report similar employers in the College of Public Health, John Glenn College of Public Affairs, College of Pharmacy or the College of Dentistry.

MASTER'S AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS

The most frequently reported employers for Master's and professional degree recipients were:⁴

- The Ohio State University
- Wexner Medical Center
- Nationwide Children's Hospital
- Amazon
- Columbus City Schools
- GE Aviation
- General Motors
- Cummins
- Kroger
- University of Cincinnati

⁴Employers listed if 5 or more students reported working for the company or organization. Employers are not presented by college for Master's and professional students due to small sample sizes.



GRADUATE SCHOOL DESTINATIONS

Many undergraduate students plan on pursuing further education. The following table summarizes what degrees undergraduates plan to pursue.

For the following six cases, which, if any, degrees do you plan to pursue either immediately upon graduation or at any time in the future? Please mark all that apply. If no option applies, please leave blank.				
Undergraduate	Immediately upon graduation	Future plans	Do not plan to pursue	Did not select
Law (<i>n</i> = 4,833)	1.9%	5.9%	61.1%	31.1%
Medicine (MD) (<i>n</i> = 4,833)	1.7%	3.9%	63.3%	31.1%
Other Medical (<i>n</i> = 4,833)	2.9%	4.0%	62.1%	31.0%
Second Bachelor's (<i>n</i> = 4,833)	1.1%	3.8%	62.3%	32.8%
Master's (<i>n</i> = 4,833)	15.0%	46.9%	21.6%	16.5%
Doctorate (<i>n</i> = 4,833)	3.2%	16.5%	51.0%	29.3%
Master's	Immediately upon graduation	Future plans	Do not plan to pursue	Did not select
Law (<i>n</i> = 1,119)	0.1%	2.4%	54.0%	43.5%
Medicine (MD) (<i>n</i> = 1,119)	0.3%	0.4%	55.6%	43.7%
Other Medical (<i>n</i> = 1,119)	1.1%	0.9%	55.0%	43.1%
Master's (<i>n</i> = 1,119)	4.2%	7.8%	46.7%	41.3%
Doctorate (<i>n</i> = 1,119)	13.9%	24.8%	37.3%	23.9%
Professional	Immediately upon graduation	Future plans	Do not plan to pursue	Did not select
Law (<i>n</i> = 261)	0.8%	1.1%	61.7%	36.4%
Medicine (MD) (<i>n</i> = 261)	4.6%	0.4%	58.2%	36.8%
Other Medical (<i>n</i> = 261)	8.0%	0.4%	58.2%	33.3%
Master's (<i>n</i> = 261)	3.4%	8.0%	55.6%	33.0%
Doctorate (<i>n</i> = 261)	0.8%	2.3%	59.8%	37.2%



UNDERGRADUATES

Among graduating students, 27.5% reported that they would be attending graduate or professional school full-time or part-time upon graduation. Among graduating students who had been accepted to graduate school and were attending within the next year, 35.0% were attending The Ohio State University and 65.0% were attending another college or university. Students reported attending a wide range of universities across the country and world. The most frequently reported graduate or professional school destinations were (3 or more students reported attending):

Boston University	Pennsylvania State University
Capital University	University of Akron
Case Western Reserve University	University of California, Berkeley
Cleveland State University	University of Chicago
Columbia University	University of Cincinnati
Cornell University	University of Dayton
Duke University	University of Illinois at Urbana - Champaign
Emory University	University of Michigan
Franklin University	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
George Washington University	University of Pennsylvania
Indiana University	University of Pittsburgh
Johns Hopkins University	University of Southern California
Kent State University	University of Toledo
Miami University	University of Wisconsin - Madison
Michigan State University	Vanderbilt University
New York University	Washington University in St. Louis
Ohio University	Wright State University
The Ohio State University	Xavier University

