

2018-2019 RECENT GRADUATES SURVEY

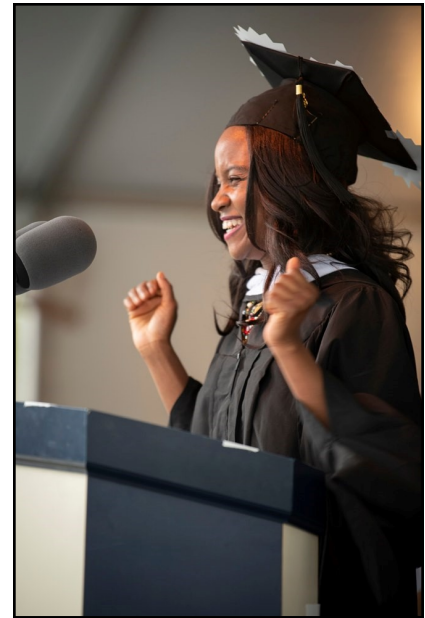
AY 2018-2019 graduate alumni

Key Findings:

- About 84% of AY 2019 graduate alumni were employed three months after graduation.
- The full-time employment rate for AY 2019 graduate alumni three months after graduation was 77.4%.*
- 17.2% of AY 2019 graduate alumni were pursuing further education three months after graduation. Another 36.2% planned to pursue additional education at some point.

THE SURVEY

Approximately three months following the completion of their studies, 495 alumni who had earned their graduate degree or certificate during the 2018-2019 academic year (AY 2019) were asked to participate in an online survey about their employment and educational activities since graduation (note: Law students were excluded because the Law School has specific standards for alumni follow-ups). Graduate alumni were invited to participate in the survey through a series of five email communications (a prenotice, an invitation, and three reminders). Overall, 87 graduate alumni responded to the survey (a response rate of 17.8%). This brief details the principal findings from the survey (note: percentages are based on the number of alumni responding to the relevant survey items).



EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES

- 83.9% of AY 2019 graduate alumni were employed three months after graduation.
 - The majority of those employed (89.0%) were working full-time.
 - The majority of those employed (74.5%) were in a permanent position.
 - More than half were employed in a position that they did not work at while at UMass Dartmouth (52.7%)
- 12.6% of AY 2019 graduate alumni were not employed three months after graduation and were seeking employment. The other graduate alumni (3.4%) were unemployed and were *not* seeking employment.
- The full-time employment rate for AY 2019 graduate alumni three months after graduation was 77.4%.*
- 95.3% of AY 2019 graduate alumni who were employed indicated that their job was “somewhat” or “highly related” to their graduate program.
 - More than two thirds of those employed (67.2%) indicated that their job was “highly related” to their graduate program.
 - Additionally, 24.9% of those employed specified that a graduate degree was required as a condition of their employment.
- Among AY 2019 graduate alumni who were employed, 60.3% were working in Massachusetts.
- The average annual reported gross salary for AY 2019 graduate alumni working full-time was \$75,390 (median: \$62,000).

The most frequently cited occupational groups by AY 2019 graduate alumni who were employed:

1. Management, Business, and Financial Operations Occupations (23.6%)
2. Computer and Mathematical Occupations (18.2%)
3. Education, Training, and Library Occupations (10.9%)
4. Community and Social Service Occupations (9.1%)
5. Sales and Related Occupations (5.5%)
6. Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations; Legal Occupations; Entertainment, Sports, and Media (including Communications) Occupations (3.6%)

Employers of AY 2018 graduate alumni included:

Francine A LeFrak Foundation
 IHS Markit
 Madoff & Khoury LLP
 UMass Medical School

*Alumni not actively seeking employment were excluded in the rate calculation.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Overall, 17.2% of AY 2019 graduate alumni were engaged in further educational pursuits three months after graduation. More than a third (36.2%) were not currently pursuing further education but planned to do so at some point.
- Less than one-quarter of those engaged in further education were pursuing a Ph.D. or Ed.D (22.2%). Others were pursuing Master's degrees (44.4%) or some other type of advanced credential (33.3%).
- Nearly half (44.5%) of those engaged in further education indicated that their main reason for pursuing an advanced certificate or degree was because it would allow them to advance in their chosen career path. Another third of those taking part in further education (33.3%) specified they wanted to pursue a personal interest in a subject. 22.2% indicated another advanced certificate/degree was required for their chosen career or specified it was the best available option to me at the time.

Degree fields of AY 2019 graduate alumni who were pursuing further education included:

- Public Administration and Social Service; Public Policy (16.7%)
- Computer and Information Sciences; Engineering; Social Sciences; Business, Management, and Marketing; Legal Professions and Studies (9.1%)

87.4% of AY 2019 graduate alumni rated their entire educational experience at UMassD as "good" or "excellent."

80.5% also indicated that they would "probably" or "definitely" go to UMassD again for graduate studies if they could start over.



SUMMARY STATISTICS BY COLLEGE/SCHOOL FOR GRADUATE ALUMNI

College/School (n=# of respondents)	% Had Job 3 Months After Graduation	% Still Seeking Job 3 Months After Graduation	Full-time Employment Rate*	Average Annual Full- time Gross Salary Mean/Median	% Attending Graduate or Professional School
Arts and Sciences (n=26)	92.3%	3.8%	88.0%	\$56,144/\$55,000	23.5%
Business (n=29)	86.2%	10.3%	75.0%	\$105,140/\$76,500	15.8%
Engineering (n=24)	55.2%	24.1%	65.2%	\$57,618/\$62,500	17.6%
Visual and Performing Arts (n=1)	**	**	**	**	**
Nursing (n=2)	**	**	**	**	**
Education (n=3)	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	**	0.0%
SMAST (n=2)	**	**	**	**	**

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** Data not reported when students reporting were fewer than 3.

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