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**EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES**

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- 91.0%** of AY 2022 graduate alumni were employed, of those who were employed or seeking employment.
- The majority of those employed (92.3%) were working full-time.
- The majority were employed in a field/profession in which they desired to work (92.2%) with 86.8% indicating they were “very satisfied” or “satisfied” within their current position.
- 47.0% were employed in a position at which they did not work while at UMass Dartmouth.
- 8.6% of AY 2022 graduate alumni were not employed three months after graduation and were seeking employment. The other graduate alumni (4.8%) stated they were unemployed and were not seeking employment.
- The full-time employment rate for AY 2022 graduate alumni three months after graduation was 83.9%.*
- 96.1% of AY 2022 graduate alumni who were employed indicated that their job was “somewhat” or “highly related” to their graduate program.
- Over two thirds of those employed (73.2%) indicated that their job was “highly related” to their graduate program.
- Additionally, 41.3% of those employed specified that a graduate degree was required as a condition of their employment.
- Among AY 2022 graduate alumni who were employed, 55.6% were working in Massachusetts.
- The average annual reported gross salary for AY 2022 graduate alumni working full-time was $83,922 (median: $70,750).

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EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Overall, 9.1% of AY 2022 graduate alumni were engaged in further educational pursuits three months after graduation. More than a third (39.7%) were not currently pursuing further education but planned to do so at some point.
- More than half of those engaged in further education were pursuing a Ph.D., Ed.D., M.D. or D.O. (52.9%). Others were pursuing Master’s degrees (35.3%) or some other type of advanced credential (11.8%).
- Almost half (43.8%) of those engaged in further education indicated that their main reason for pursuing an advanced certificate or degree was because another advanced certificate/degree will allow them to advance within their chosen career path. Just about another third of those taking part in further education (31.3%) specified another advanced certificate/degree will broaden their professional options beyond their current career path and 12.5% stated another certificate/degree was required for their chosen career path.

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\text{89.1\% of AY 2022 graduate alumni rated their entire educational experience at UMass Dartmouth as “good” or “excellent.”}
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\text{89.6\% also indicated that they would “probably” or “definitely” go to UMass Dartmouth again for graduate studies if they could start over.}
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SUMMARY STATISTICS BY COLLEGE/SCHOOL FOR GRADUATE ALUMNI

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<th>College/School</th>
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<td>Arts and Sciences (n=49)</td>
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** Data not reported when students reporting were fewer than 3.

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