

2021-2022 RECENT GRADUATES SURVEY

AY 2021-2022 undergraduate alumni

Key Findings:

- Nearly 81%* of all AY 2021-2022 undergraduate alumni surveyed were employed six months after graduation.
- Over 92%** of AY 2021-2022 undergraduate alumni were employed, of those who were seeking employment.
- 93.9%** of undergraduate degree recipients were either employed or in graduate school, of those who were seeking employment.
- The full-time employment rate for AY 2021-2022 undergraduate alumni surveyed six months after graduation was 78%.**
- More than 23% of AY 2021-2022 undergraduate alumni surveyed were pursuing further education six months after graduation.

THE SURVEY

Approximately six months following the completion of their studies, 1,231 undergraduate alumni who had earned their degrees during the 2021-2022 academic year (AY 2022) were asked to participate in an online survey about their employment and educational activities since graduation. Undergraduate alumni were asked to participate in the survey through a series of five email communications (an invitation, and four reminders). Overall, 347 undergraduate alumni responded to the survey (a response rate of 28.2%). This brief details the principal findings from the survey (note: responses are based on the number of alumni responding to the relevant survey items).

EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES: UNDERGRADUATE ALUMNI

- 80.7%* of all AY 2022 undergraduate alumni respondents were employed six months after graduation.
- 92.1%** of undergraduate alumni were employed, of those who were employed or seeking employment.
 - The majority of those employed (82.5%) were working full-time.
 - More than three quarters (76.7%) were employed in a field/profession in which they desire with 76.8% indicating they were “very satisfied” or “satisfied” within their current position.
 - The majority were employed in a position that they did *not* work at while at UMass Dartmouth (70.9%).
- 6.9% of AY 2022 undergraduate alumni were not employed six months after graduation and were seeking employment. Another 12.4% were unemployed and were *not* seeking employment.
- 38.4% of AY 2022 undergraduate alumni indicated their professional field required them to pass a licensure or examination to work in the field. Of those whose field required a licensure or examination, 48.7% had taken the exam and passed.
- The full-time employment rate for AY 2022 undergraduate alumni six months after graduation was 78.0%.*
- 85.5% of AY 2022 undergraduate alumni who were employed indicated that their job was “somewhat” or “highly related” to their major/program.
 - More than half of those with a job (56.7%) indicated that their job was “highly related” to their major/program.
 - The majority of those with a job (64.4%) specified that an undergraduate degree was required as a condition of their employment.
- Among AY 2022 undergraduate degree alumni who were employed, 74.7% were working in Massachusetts.
- The average annual reported gross salary for AY 2022 undergraduate alumni working full-time was \$59,399 (median: \$55,999).

*Alumni not actively seeking employment are included in the rate calculation.

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

***Occupational groups updated in 2019 based upon U.S. Labor and Statistics groups.



The most frequently cited occupational groups by AY 2022 undergraduate alumni who were employed:***

1. Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations (13.6%)
2. Business and Financial Operations Occupations; Architecture and Engineering Occupations; Other Occupations (9.6%)
3. Health Support Occupations (9.2%)
4. Education, Training, and Library Occupations (8.4%)
5. Computer and Mathematical Occupations (6.0%)

Employers of AY 2022 undergraduate alumni included:

Southcoast Health
 Naval Undersea Warfare Center
 Brigham & Women's Hospital
 General Dynamics Mission Systems
 St. Luke's Hospital
 Massachusetts General Hospital

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES: UNDERGRADUATE ALUMNI

- 23.2% of AY 2022 undergraduate alumni were pursuing an advanced certificate or degree at a graduate/professional school six months after graduation. Another 48.1% were not currently pursuing further education, but planned to do so at some point.
- The majority (75.0%) of those engaged in further education were pursuing some type of Master's degree (i.e., MBA, MFA, MS, MA, or other Master's degree). Another 20.6% were pursuing some other type of advanced degree (e.g., Ph.D. or Ed.D., D.V.M. or V.M.D., D.N.P., LL.B., LL.M., or J.D.) or certificate. An additional 4.4% were pursuing an additional baccalaureate degree (BA or BS).
- 40.6% of those engaged in further education indicated that their main reason for pursuing an advanced certificate or degree was because it is required for their chosen career path.

79.6% of AY 2022 undergraduate alumni rated their entire educational experience at UMassD as "good" or "excellent."

77.3% also indicated that they would "probably" or "definitely" go to UMassD again for undergraduate studies if they could start over.



Degree fields of AY 2022 undergraduate alumni who were pursuing further education included:

- Engineering Technologies and Engineering Related Fields (19.1%)
- Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support Services (16.2%)
- Other Degree Fields (14.7%)
- Psychology (11.8%)
- Education; Legal Professions and Studies (8.8%)

Educational institutions of AY 2022 undergraduate alumni included:

UMass Dartmouth
UMass School of Law
Roger Williams University
Harvard University
Bryant University
Temple University
Oklahoma State University

SUMMARY STATISTICS BY COLLEGE FOR UNDERGRADUATE ALUMNI

College	% Had Job 6 Months After Graduation	% Still Seeking Job 6 Months After Graduation	Full-time Employment Rate*	Average Annual Full-time Gross Salary Mean/Median	% Attending Graduate or Professional School
Arts and Sciences (n=134)	75.4%	9.7%	69.3%	\$43,451/\$42,525	29.1%
Business (n=78)	84.6%	3.8%	85.5%	\$63,482/\$55,000	17.9%
Engineering (n=66)	75.8%	3.0%	92.3%	\$74,298/\$72,305	36.9%
Visual and Performing Arts (n=28)	85.7%	14.3%	60.7%	\$54,214/\$50,000	0.0%
Nursing and Health Sciences (n=41)	95.1%	4.9%	82.9%	\$71,161/\$67,500	7.5%

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

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