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Post-Graduation Activity

95% of undergraduates and 100% of graduate degree recipients were actively engaged.

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<th>Actively Engaged</th>
<th>Undergraduate degrees 2015–16 count</th>
<th>Graduate degrees 2014–15 and 2015–16 count</th>
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<td>Employed full time</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>65%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>Employed part time</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>14%</td>
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<td>Continuing education</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>36%</td>
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<td>Not Actively Engaged</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
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Unemployed and seeking employment | 1 | 0 | 5% | 0%

Full-time Employment

- Median salary for undergraduates was $35,000 to $40,000 (based on 7 responses from 2015–16 graduates).
- Median salary for graduate students was $40,000 to $45,000 (based on 6 responses from 2014–15 and 2015–16 graduates).
- 79% were located in Michigan.
- 92% indicated their job was related to their degree.
- 100% were satisfied with their job.

About the Data

Graduating students were asked to provide their information through the WMUPost-Graduation Activity Survey within three months of their date of graduation. Some additional data was obtained from students’ public professional profiles.

This report includes data from students who majored in Geography; Geography: Secondary Education; and Tourism and Travel.

All information for graduate degrees is based on the most recent data from 2015–16 graduates, combined with data from 2014–15 graduates which was collected near the time of their graduation. We report two years of data together due to low numbers of responses.

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<th>Degree recipients</th>
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<td>45</td>
<td>34 graduates (76%)</td>
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<th>Graduates</th>
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<td>Bachelor’s</td>
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<td>16</td>
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Sample Job Titles and Employers

Adjunct Faculty at Grand Rapids Community College
Ammunition Handler at SOC Nevada
Conservation and Stewardship Director at Southwest Michigan Land Conservancy
EHS Intern at The Battle Creek Plant at Kellogg
Environmental Educator at Rocky Mountain Arsenal Wildlife Refuge
Field Worker and Data Entry Supervisor at Michigan Department of Natural Resources
GIS Coordinator/Tech Support at Newaygo County Government
GIS Specialist at Meridian Charter Township
GIS Specialist at Novara GeoSolutions
GIS Technician at City of Three Rivers
Great Lakes Ecological Management Crew Member at the Kalamazoo Nature Center
Guest Relations Concierge at Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Punta Cana
Independent Contractor at NSI Consulting and Development
Material Handler at Kalamazoo Valley Community College
Quality Control Analyst at ComEd
Restoration Steward at Southwest Michigan Land Conservancy
Social Studies Teacher at Pinnacle Academy
Waiter at Norwegian Cruise Line
Work Planner at Environmental Consultants
Zoning Administrator/GIS Specialist at Oshtemo Charter Township

Sample Continuing Education Choices

Certificate in Geographic Information Science at WMU
Doctorate in Geographic Information Science at University of North Carolina
Doctorate in Remote Sensing at Saint Louis University
Doctorate in Transportation Engineering at WMU
Masters in Agriculture at Texas Tech
Masters in Geography: Environmental Analysis and Resource Management at WMU
Masters in Urban Planning at WMU
Training at Earthship Biotecture Academy