

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Post-Graduation Activity

90% of undergraduates and **100%** of graduate degree recipients were **actively engaged**.

	Undergraduate degrees 2015–16		Graduate degrees 2014–15 and 2015–16	
	count	percent	count	percent
Actively Engaged	26	90%	9	100%
Employed full time	18	62%	3	33%
Employed part time	1	3%	3	33%
Continuing education	6	21%	3	33%
Military service	1	3%	0	0%
Not Actively Engaged	3	10%	0	0%
Unemployed and seeking employment	3	10%	0	0%

Full-time Employment

- Median salary for undergraduates was **\$35,000 to \$40,000** (based on 9 responses from 2015–16 graduates).
- 73% were located in Michigan.
- 64% indicated their job was **related to their degree**.
- 73% were **satisfied** with their job.

About the Data

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

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.

Degree recipients	Post-graduation data was obtained for	
65	38 graduates (58%)	
	Graduates	Responses
Bachelor's	52	29 (56%)
Master's	7	4 (57%)
Doctoral	6	5 (83%)

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Sample Job Titles and Employers

2nd LT. in the US Army
Account Manager at Thomson Reuters
Administrative Clerk at City of South Haven
Admissions Advocate/Pre-Enrollment Advisor at
Hennepin Technical College
Applied Social Scientist at Intiqal Consulting
Assistant Camp Director at Boys & Girls Club of Greater
Kalamazoo
Assistant Professor at Minnesota State University
Associate Consultant at Strathmore University, Kenya
Auction Manager at ShipStation
Business Generalist at McMaster-Carr Supply
Cadre at Michigan Youth ChalleNGe Academy
Community Organizer at Hillary for America
Customer Service at Stryker Medical
Director of Marketing Michigan at Forensic Fluids
Laboratories
Director of Office of Legislative Affairs at the Michigan
Department of Environmental Quality
District Director at Michigan State Senate
Executive Assistant at the Gun Lake Tribe
Field Organizer at Clean Water Action
HR Specialist at the Michigan Department of
Military and Veterans Affairs
Inbound Sales Representative at PNC
Instructor of Political Science at Western
Michigan University
Intern at Congressman Fred Upton
Intern at Dodge & Dodge
Intern at the Detroit City Council
Law Clerk at Hills at Law
Legal Assistant at Frost Brown Todd
Legislative Assistant at Michigan State Senate
Legislative Intern at U.S. Senate
Order Management Coordinator at PepsiCo
Real Estate Consultant at REMAX Eclipse
Research Assistant at Michigan Republican Party
Research Assistant at NORC at the University of
Chicago
Self-Employed Writer and Editor
Union Organizer at Michigan State University

Sample Continuing Education Choices

Bachelor of Higher Education and Student Affairs at
Indiana State University
Doctorate in Anthropology at University of Notre Dame
Doctorate in Political Science at University of North
Texas
Doctorate in Political Science at WMU
Health Law at Michigan State University
Law at DePaul University
Law at Georgetown
Law at Harvard
Law at University of Detroit
Masters in Industrial Organizational Psychology
at Detroit Mercy
Masters in International Development
Administration at WMU
Masters in Political Science at WMU
Masters in Theology at Marquette University
MBA at Michigan State University