

SENIOR SURVEY IU NORTHWEST



2012-13

Annual Graduating Senior Survey Results.

Senior Survey IU Northwest

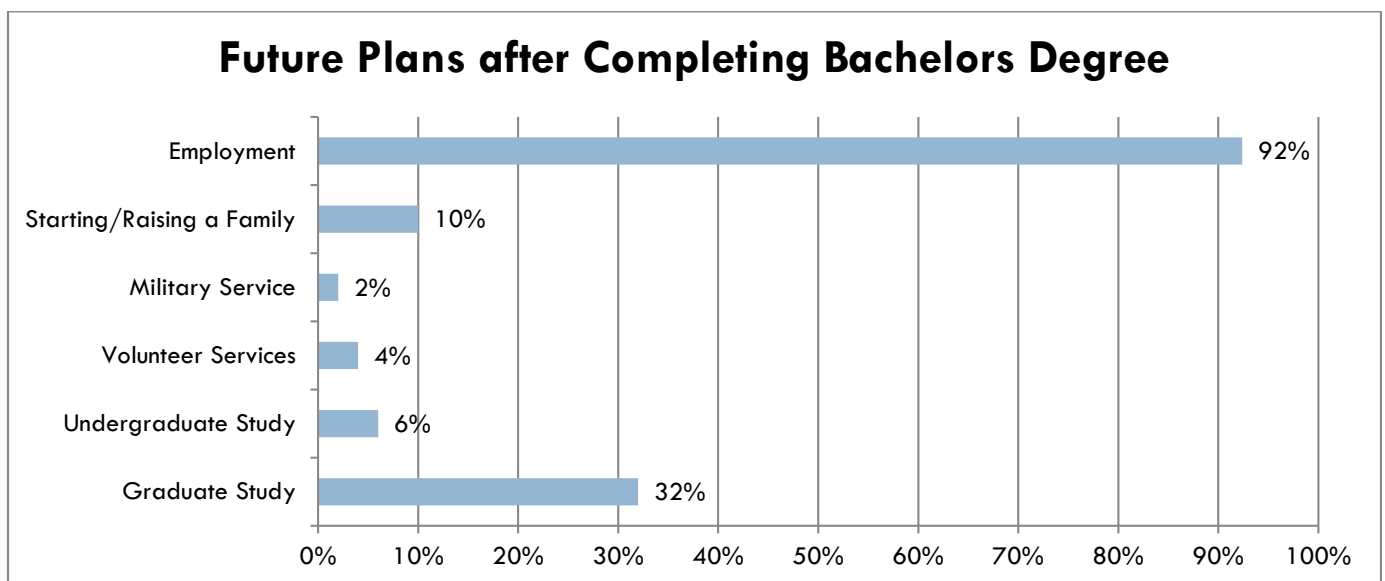
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Data Collection

Seniors were sent (via email) a link to a Survey Monkey Survey containing 23 questions aimed at allowing seniors to provide feedback to assist us in improving educational programs and services. All graduating seniors are required to complete the survey to satisfy a "graduation requirement." 371 individuals completed the survey.

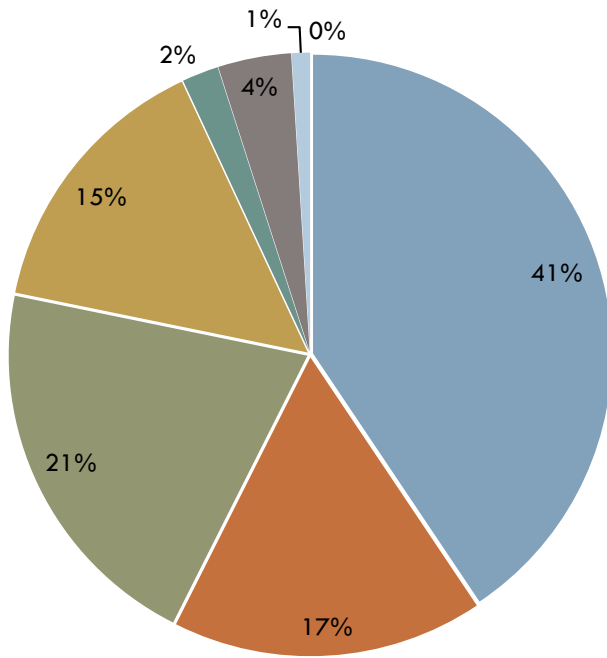
Future Plans and Employment

The figure below displays results from the Voluntary System of Accountability (VSA) question inquiring about principal activitie(s) upon graduation and indicates that 92% of our students intend to be employed and 32% plan to pursue graduate study after graduation.

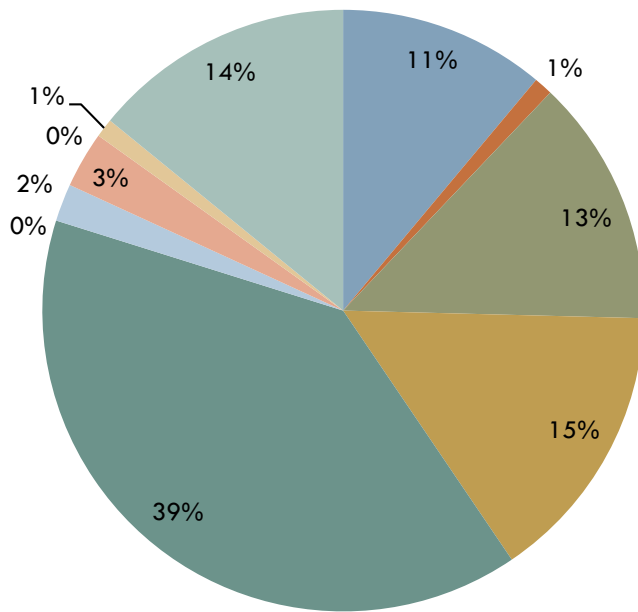


Several additional questions provide further insight into employment plans following graduation with the first pie chart below indicating 59% of the students taking the survey are currently looking for a job or will begin searching after graduation. One of the questions on the survey asks students who are interested in contact with Career Services to provide contact information. The Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Research has been providing this contact information to Career Services regularly as students completed the survey.

The most common job sectors the students report jobs in are healthcare, business, and education (2nd pie chart).

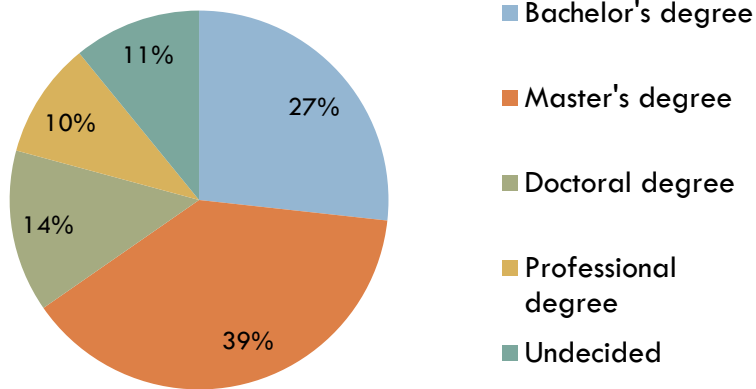


- Currently searching for a job
- Will begin searching after graduation
- Staying in current job
- Accepted a job
- Currently waiting for an offer
- Considering one or more offers
- Been offered a job but still searching
- Not planning to work after graduation



- Business
- College/University
- K-12 Education
- Government
- Healthcare Agency
- Information Services
- Professional (law, engineering)
- Professional, scientific, and technical services
- Private Practice
- Non-profit organization
- Other

Over half of the students reported interest in pursuing additional educational opportunities after graduation and provided the following responses to “what is the highest degree you plan to receive?”

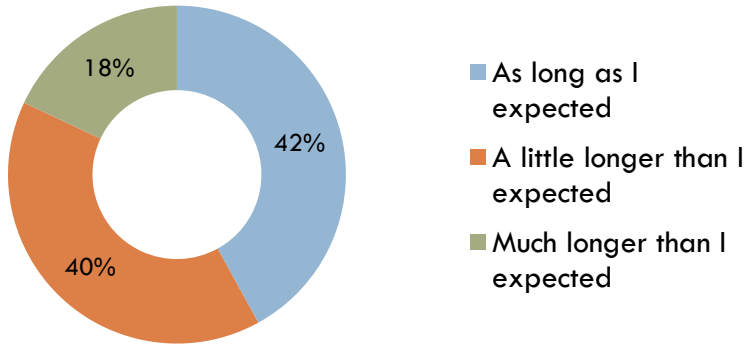


80% of students agree/strongly agree that their education at IU Northwest prepared them for the activities they plan to pursue.

81% of students were satisfied/very satisfied with their overall experience at IU Northwest.

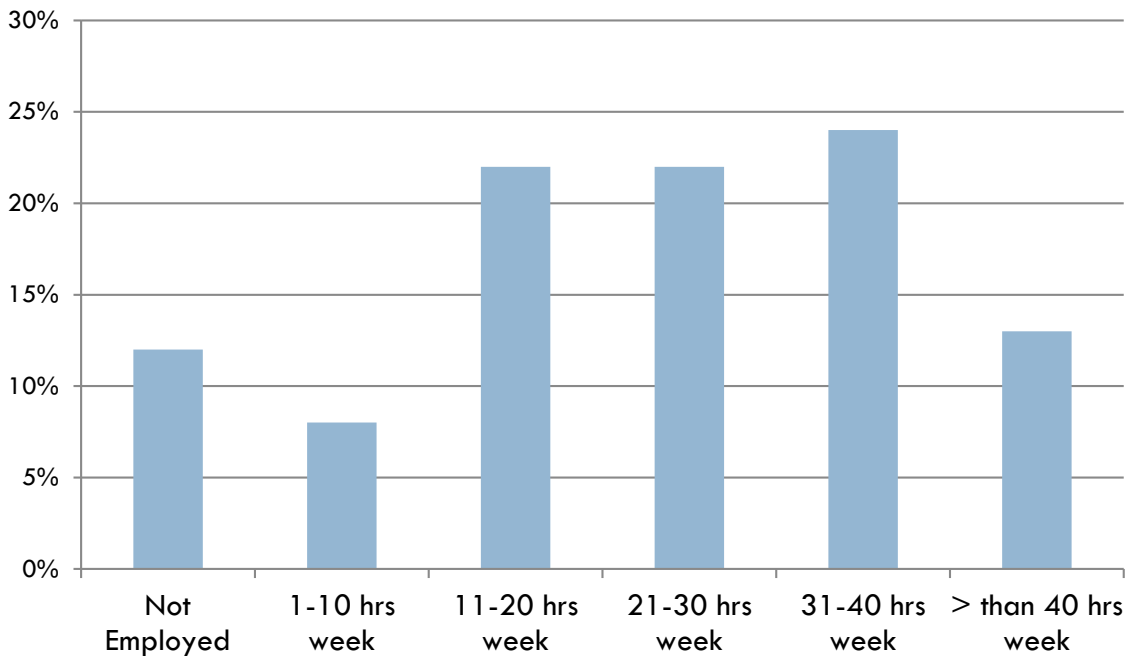
Transfer and Completion

Almost half of the students surveyed began college someplace other than IU Northwest (48%). 30% of students were able to complete their bachelor's degree in 4 years or less, 30% completed in less than 5 years, and 20% in less than 6 years. 21% took more than 6 years to complete their degrees. A significant number of students indicated that the time to earn their degrees was longer than they expected. The most frequent reasons for the increased time to degree include a decision to change majors (39%), work obligations limiting enrollment (36%), taking semester(s) off school (24%), and a required course(s) was not available (28%).



Participation in co-curricular activities

While at IU Northwest, 181 (66%) of the students participated in a practicum, internship, co-op or clinical assignment. 142 (51%) participated in community service or volunteer work, 102 (37%) were members of student clubs, 57 (21%) worked for pay on campus, and 52 (19%) worked on a research/independent study project with a faculty member. If students were not able to participate in co-curricular activities the most common reason given was not enough time due to family and work obligations (60%). The figure below provides further details on how many hours per week students were working during the past school year. As shown, 58% of students were working 21 or more hours per week while completing their degrees.



77% of students surveyed indicated that if they could start over, they would still enroll at IU Northwest.

90% of students surveyed would recommend IU Northwest to another student.

Student Services

In response to the question asking how satisfied they were with the following student services the following replies were received.

Question	Satisfied/Very Satisfied	Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	Did Not Use	Total Responses
Academic Advising	65%	25%	10%	365
Admissions	83%	9%	8%	365
Athletics	30%	8%	62%	364
Bookstore	83%	13%	4%	363
Bursar/Student Accounts	79%	16%	5%	366
Career Services	46%	12%	42%	364
Financial Aid	64%	21%	15%	366
Food Services	69%	19%	12%	366
IT/Help Desk	64%	7%	29%	362
Library Services	83%	8%	9%	368
Math Lab	37%	5%	58%	368
Registrar	82%	14%	4%	367
Student Activities	51%	7%	42%	367
Student Support Services	45%	8%	47%	367
Supplemental Instruction (SI)	46%	5%	49%	368
Writing Center	36%	4%	60%	368

Demographics

77% Female (280 responses) | 23% Male (85 responses)

Did either of your parents complete a college degree? **41%** (148) Yes | **59%** (213) No

ETHNICITY	AGE
14% of Hispanic or Latino origin	42% 18-24
71% White	33% 25-34
23% African American	15% 35-44
4 % Asian	7% 45-54
9 % Other	3% 55-64