2018 First Destination Survey Results

Ripon College participates in the First Destination Survey (FDS). The FDS is a national survey tool developed by the National Association of Colleges and Employers to capture information regarding new college graduate outcomes within six months of graduation.

Results Summary

Total graduates in 2018	152
Total employed	92*
Total in service (Peace Corps/AmeriCorps)	1*
Total in military	2*
Total in continuing education program	31
Total seeking employment	2
Total seeking continuing education program	0
Total not seeking employment/education	0
No information	24

Method of Collection

FDS direct communication	95	63% response rate
Alumni/non-direct communication	33	22% knowledge rate
TOTAL	128	85% respondent rate

Respondent Summary (128)

Total employed	92	71.8%
Total continuing education program	31	24.2%
Total in service (Peace Corps/AmeriCorps)	1	.8%
Total in military	2	1.5%
Total seeking employment	2	1.5%
Total seeking continuing education program	0	0%
Total not seeking employment/education	0	0%
Total employed/education/service/military/not seeking	**128**	**98.4%****

*Obtained employment *related to degree field* within first six months of graduation 73 employed/military/service = 76.8%

**Often referred to as 'placement rate' in national surveys

Respondent Detail (128)

Residence

Reside within WI	85	66.4%
Reside outside of WI	43	33.5%
TOTAL	128	100%

Industry Area (87 employed, 2 military, 1 service (Peace Corps/AmeriCorps))

Artist/performer	3	3.3%
Education	6	6.6%
Retail	2	2.2%
Healthcare	14	15.5%
Information and technology	5	5.5%
Sales	11	12.2%
Self-employed***	3	3.3%
Business/supply chain/logistics/analyst	17	18.8%
Marketing/public relations/communication	11	12.2%
Hospitality	6	6.6%
Sciences	5	5.5%
Building/trades/government/engineering	7	7.7%
TOTAL	90	100%

Graduate School Area (31 continuing education program, 5 student teachers)

Law	4	11.1%
Medicine/pharmacy	4	11.1%
Government/political science/security studies	2	5.5%
Social sciences	5	13.8%
Sciences/computer/engineering	5	13.8%
Psychology	2	5.5%
Seminary	0	0%
Nursing	1	2.7%
Sports/athletic training/physical-occupational training	5	13.8%
Education	7	19.4%
Library/information science	0	0%
Business/finance	0	0%
Communication	0	0%
Technical	1	2.7%
TOTAL	36	100%

***new category for 2018