

**Northeastern Illinois University**  
**Survey of 2004 Master's Graduates (1 Year Out)**

Degree Program Group	College of Business	College of Education	College of Arts&Sciences	University
Total Master's Graduates	22	344	142	508
Total Survey Respondents	9	85	37	131
	%	%	%	%
<b>Section I: Career Preparation and Employment Experiences</b>				
<b>1. Are you currently employed (including self-employed)?</b>				
Yes, working full time	88.9%	86.9%	75.7%	83.8%
Yes, working part time	11.1%	4.8%	10.8%	6.9%
No, but am seeking employment		2.4%	8.1%	3.8%
No, and am not seeking employment		6.0%	5.4%	5.4%
<b>3. How would you classify your current primary employer?</b>				
Self - employed or private practice	11.1%			0.9%
Business	22.2%	1.3%	16.1%	6.8%
Professional firm	11.1%	1.3%		1.7%
College or university	33.3%	5.2%	16.1%	10.3%
Elementary/secondary school		72.7%	32.3%	56.4%
Health agency	11.1%	3.9%	9.7%	6.0%
Federal, state, or local government		5.2%	3.2%	4.3%
Armed services			3.2%	0.9%
Non-Profit		5.2%	9.7%	6.0%
Other	11.1%	5.2%	9.7%	6.8%
<b>4. How satisfied are you with your current job?</b>				
Very satisfied	55.6%	50.6%	37.5%	47.5%
Satisfied	44.4%	36.4%	40.6%	38.1%
Somewhat satisfied		9.1%	15.6%	10.2%
Somewhat dissatisfied		2.6%	3.1%	2.5%
Dissatisfied			3.1%	0.8%
Very dissatisfied		1.3%		0.8%
<b>5. How closely related is your current job to your degree from NEIU?</b>				
Closely Related	11.1%	63.6%	56.3%	57.6%
Related	88.9%	23.4%	31.3%	30.5%
Unrelated		13.0%	12.5%	11.9%
<b>If "unrelated", is this by choice?</b>				
Yes		60.0%	50.0%	57.1%
No		40.0%	50.0%	42.9%
<b>6. When did you secure your first job following receipt of your degree?</b>				
Held the same job while enrolled	44.4%	50.6%	71.9%	55.9%
Secured job by time of graduation		14.3%	9.4%	11.9%
Secured job after graduation	55.6%	35.1%	18.7%	32.2%
<b>If you marked 'after graduation', how many months after graduation did you secure employment?</b>				
Less than 1 month	40.0%	22.2%	16.7%	23.7%
Between 1 and 3 months	40.0%	25.9%		23.7%
Between 3 and 6 months		11.1%	16.7%	10.5%
Between 6 and 9 months	20.0%	11.1%	33.3%	15.8%
More than 9 months		29.6%	33.3%	26.3%
<b>7. What is your annual earned income before taxes in your current job?</b>				
Mean	\$53,625	\$51,919	\$49,443	\$51,327
Median	\$51,375	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$48,793
Minimum	\$32,000	\$20,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Maximum	\$75,000	\$150,000	\$120,000	\$150,000

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<b>8. In general, how well did your degree program prepare you for your present job?</b>				
Very well	25.0%	35.6%	33.3%	34.2%
Well	50.0%	34.2%	26.7%	33.3%
Adequately	12.5%	27.4%	33.3%	27.9%
Inadequately	12.5%	1.4%	6.7%	3.6%
Poorly				
Very Poorly		1.4%		0.9%
<b>Section II: Education</b>				
<b>1. Have you enrolled in a college or university since earning your degree?</b>				
Yes, full-time	22.2%	1.2%	2.9%	3.1%
Yes, part-time	11.1%	22.6%	25.7%	22.7%
No	66.7%	76.2%	71.4%	74.2%
<b>2. Are you pursuing an additional degree since earning your degree at NEIU?</b>				
Yes	20.0%	22.9%	20.0%	21.9%
No	80.0%	77.1%	80.0%	78.1%
<b>If you are pursuing(or have completed) another degree, Please indicate which degree below:</b>				
Associate's				
Second Bachelor's		7.7%	40.0%	15.8%
Academic Master's		30.8%	40.0%	31.6%
Professional Master's		15.4%		10.5%
Medicine				
Health Professional				
Theology				
Law				
Doctorate	100.0%	23.1%	20.0%	26.3%
Other		23.1%		15.8%
<b>3. In general, how well did your degree prepare you for your additional degree program?</b>				
Very well		38.5%	60.0%	42.1%
Well	100.0%	46.2%	20.0%	42.1%
Adequately		15.4%	20.0%	15.8%
Inadequately				
Poorly				
Very Poorly				
<b>Section III: Satisfaction</b>				
<b>1. What is your present attitude towards Northeastern Illinois University?</b>				
Strongly positive	33.3%	37.3%	32.4%	35.7%
Positive	33.3%	41.0%	40.5%	40.3%
Somewhat positive	33.3%	18.1%	18.9%	19.4%
Somewhat negative		3.6%	8.1%	4.7%
Negative				
Strongly negative				
<b>2. What is your present attitude towards your degree major?</b>				
Strongly positive	22.2%	48.2%	51.4%	47.3%
Positive	66.7%	45.8%	29.7%	42.6%
Somewhat positive	11.1%	3.6%	8.1%	5.4%
Somewhat negative		2.4%	8.1%	3.9%
Negative			2.7%	0.8%
Strongly negative				

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<b>Section IV: Educational Effectiveness</b>				
<b>1. Professors accessible</b>				
Very Often	11.1%	35.3%	43.2%	35.9%
Often	77.8%	47.1%	45.9%	48.9%
Sometimes	11.1%	17.6%	10.8%	15.3%
Infrequently				
Never				
<b>2. Work cooperatively</b>				
Very Often	44.4%	38.8%	16.2%	32.8%
Often	44.4%	34.1%	35.1%	35.1%
Sometimes	11.1%	23.5%	35.1%	26.0%
Infrequently		3.5%	8.1%	4.6%
Never			5.4%	1.5%
<b>3. Challenge ideas</b>				
Very Often	33.3%	31.8%	24.3%	29.8%
Often	55.6%	42.4%	56.8%	47.3%
Sometimes	11.1%	18.8%	13.5%	16.8%
Infrequently		5.9%	2.7%	4.6%
Never		1.2%	2.7%	1.5%
<b>4. Appropriate teaching activities</b>				
Very Often	33.3%	42.4%	37.8%	40.5%
Often	33.3%	37.6%	43.2%	38.9%
Sometimes	33.3%	18.8%	16.2%	19.1%
Infrequently		1.2%	2.7%	1.5%
Never				
<b>5. High expectations</b>				
Very Often	22.2%	49.4%	40.5%	45.0%
Often	22.2%	30.6%	37.8%	32.1%
Sometimes	44.4%	20.0%	21.6%	22.1%
Infrequently	11.1%			0.8%
Never				
<b>6. Timely feedback</b>				
Very Often	22.2%	41.2%	45.9%	41.2%
Often	33.3%	45.9%	40.5%	43.5%
Sometimes	44.4%	11.8%	10.8%	13.7%
Infrequently		1.2%	2.7%	1.5%
Never				
<b>7. Importance of preparation</b>				
Very Often	11.1%	34.1%	29.7%	31.3%
Often	77.8%	37.6%	51.4%	44.3%
Sometimes	11.1%	21.2%	16.2%	19.1%
Infrequently		3.5%	2.7%	3.1%
Never		3.5%		2.3%