

Northeastern Illinois University
Survey of 2005 Master's Graduates (1 Year Out)

Degree Program Group	College of Business		College of Education		College of Arts&Sciences		University	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total Baccalaureate Graduates	21		431		124		576	
Total Survey Respondents	4		101		31		136	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Section I: Career Preparation and Employment Experiences								
1. Are you currently employed (including self-employed)?								
Yes, working full time	4	100.0%	92	91.1%	21	67.7%	117	86.0%
Yes, working part time			6	5.9%	6	19.4%	12	8.8%
No, but am seeking employment					4	12.9%	4	2.9%
No, and am not seeking employment			3	3.0%			3	2.2%
3. How would you classify your current primary employer?								
Self - employed or private practice					1	4.0%	1	0.8%
Business	2	50.0%	3	3.1%	4	16.0%	9	7.1%
Professional firm			2	2.1%	1	4.0%	3	2.4%
College or university			3	3.1%	4	16.0%	7	5.6%
Elementary/secondary school			82	84.5%	10	40.0%	92	73.0%
Health agency			2	2.1%			2	1.6%
Federal, state, or local government			2	2.1%	4	16.0%	6	4.8%
Armed services								
Non-Profit	2	50.0%	3	3.1%			5	4.0%
Other					1	4.0%	1	0.8%
4. How satisfied are you with your current job?								
Very satisfied	2	50.0%	44	45.8%	14	51.9%	60	47.2%
Satisfied	1	25.0%	38	39.6%	8	29.6%	47	37.0%
Somewhat satisfied	1	25.0%	10	10.4%	2	7.4%	13	10.2%
Somewhat dissatisfied			2	2.1%	3	11.1%	5	3.9%
Dissatisfied			1	1.0%			1	0.8%
Very dissatisfied			1	1.0%			1	0.8%
5. How closely related is your current job to your degree from NEIU?								
Closely Related	3	75.0%	72	73.5%	14	51.9%	89	69.0%
Related	1	25.0%	19	19.4%	8	29.6%	28	21.7%
Unrelated			7	7.1%	5	18.5%	12	9.3%
If "unrelated", is this by choice?								
Yes			5	83.3%	2	100.0%	7	87.5%
No			1	16.7%			1	12.5%
6. When did you secure your first job following receipt of your degree?								
Held the same job while enrolled			54	54.5%	21	77.8%	75	57.7%
Secured job by time of graduation			12	12.1%	3	11.1%	15	11.5%
Secured job after graduation	4	100.0%	33	33.3%	3	11.1%	40	30.8%
If you marked 'after graduation', how many months after graduation did you secure employment?								
Less than 1 month			6	18.1%			6	15.0%
Between 1 and 3 months	1	25.0%	5	15.2%	1	33.3%	7	17.5%
Between 3 and 6 months	2	50.0%	9	27.3%	2	66.7%	13	32.5%
Between 6 and 9 months	1	25.0%	5	15.2%			6	15.0%
More than 9 months			8	24.2%			8	20.0%
7. What is your annual earned income before taxes in your current job?								
Mean	\$54,667		\$51,731		\$61,851		\$53,888	
Median	\$45,000		\$51,000		\$58,000		\$51,500	
Minimum	\$39,000		\$4,800		\$20,800		\$4,800	
Maximum	\$80,000		\$88,000		\$161,000		\$161,000	

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8. In general, how well did your degree program prepare you for your present job?

Very well	1	25.0%	35	36.5%	6	0.3%	42	0.3%
Well	2	50.0%	37	38.5%	9	0.4%	48	0.4%
Adequately	1	25.0%	21	21.9%	5	0.2%	27	0.2%
Inadequately			3	3.1%	2	0.1%	5	0.0%
Poorly					1	0.0%	1	0.0%
Very Poorly								

Section II: Education

1. Have you enrolled in a college or university since earning your degree?

Yes, full-time			1	1.0%	2	6.5%	3	2.2%
Yes, part-time			19	18.8%	4	12.9%	23	16.9%
No	4	100.0%	81	80.2%	25	80.6%	110	80.9%

2. Are you pursuing an additional degree since earning your degree at NEIU?

Yes			11	23.4%	4	33.3%	15	24.6%
No	2	100.0%	36	76.6%	8	66.7%	46	75.4%

If you are pursuing(or have completed) another degree, Please indicate which degree below:

Associate's								
Second Bachelor's								
Academic Master's			5	45.5%	3	60.0%	8	50.0%
Professional Master's			3	27.3%	1	20.0%	4	25.0%
Medicine								
Health Professional								
Theology								
Law								
Doctorate			3	27.3%			3	18.8%
Other					1	20.0%	1	6.3%

3. In general, how well did your degree prepare you for your additional degree program?

Very well			6	26.1%	1	20.0%	7	25.0%
Well			14	60.9%	2	40.0%	16	57.1%
Adequately			2	8.7%			2	7.1%
Inadequately			1	4.3%	1	20.0%	2	7.1%
Poorly					1	20.0%	1	3.6%
Very Poorly								

Section III: Satisfaction

1. What is your present attitude towards Northeastern Illinois University?

Strongly positive			27	26.7%	9	29.0%	36	26.5%
Positive	3	75.0%	46	45.5%	13	41.9%	62	45.6%
Somewhat positive	1	25.0%	21	20.8%	5	16.1%	27	19.9%
Somewhat negative			5	5.0%	2	6.5%	7	5.1%
Negative			2	2.0%	2	6.5%	4	2.9%
Strongly negative								

2. What is your present attitude towards your degree major?

Strongly positive	2	50.0%	51	50.5%	14	45.2%	67	49.3%
Positive	2	50.0%	37	36.6%	8	25.8%	47	34.6%
Somewhat positive			11	10.9%	7	22.6%	18	13.2%
Somewhat negative			2	2.0%			2	1.5%
Negative					1	3.2%	1	0.7%
Strongly negative					1	3.2%	1	0.7%

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Section IV: Educational Effectiveness								
1. Professors accessible								
Very Often	1	33.3%	37	37.0%	14	45.2%	52	38.8%
Often	1	33.3%	45	45.0%	13	41.9%	59	44.0%
Sometimes	1	33.3%	16	16.0%	4	12.9%	21	15.7%
Infrequently			2	2.0%			2	1.5%
Never								
2. Work cooperatively								
Very Often			50	49.5%	1	3.2%	51	37.8%
Often	2	66.7%	35	34.7%	11	35.5%	48	35.6%
Sometimes	1	33.3%	15	14.9%	15	48.4%	31	23.0%
Infrequently					3	9.7%	3	2.2%
Never			1	1.0%	1	3.2%	2	1.5%
3. Challenge ideas								
Very Often			36	35.6%	9	29.0%	45	33.3%
Often	2	66.7%	46	45.5%	13	41.9%	61	45.2%
Sometimes	1	33.3%	16	15.8%	8	25.8%	25	18.5%
Infrequently			2	2.0%	1	3.2%	3	2.2%
Never			1	1.0%			1	0.7%
4. Appropriate teaching activities								
Very Often			46	45.5%	9	29.0%	55	40.7%
Often	2	66.7%	38	37.6%	13	41.9%	53	39.3%
Sometimes	1	33.3%	11	10.9%	7	22.6%	19	14.1%
Infrequently			6	5.9%	1	3.2%	7	5.2%
Never					1	3.2%	1	0.7%
5. High expectations								
Very Often			45	44.6%	12	38.7%	57	42.2%
Often	2	66.7%	35	34.7%	15	48.4%	52	38.5%
Sometimes	1	33.3%	15	14.9%	3	9.7%	19	14.1%
Infrequently			6	5.9%	1	3.2%	7	5.2%
Never								
6. Timely feedback								
Very Often	1	33.3%	48	47.5%	12	41.4%	61	45.9%
Often			38	37.6%	11	37.9%	49	36.8%
Sometimes	1	33.3%	15	14.9%	5	17.2%	21	15.8%
Infrequently	1	33.3%			1	3.4%	2	1.5%
Never								
7. Importance of preparation								
Very Often	1	33.3%	41	41.0%	8	26.7%	50	37.6%
Often	1	33.3%	43	43.0%	14	46.7%	58	43.6%
Sometimes	1	33.3%	12	12.0%	6	20.0%	19	14.3%
Infrequently			4	4.0%	1	3.3%	5	3.8%
Never					1	3.3%	1	0.8%