

Northeastern Illinois University
Survey of 2006 Baccalaureate Graduates (1 Year Out)

Degree Program Group	College of Business		College of Education		Non Traditional Degrees		College of Arts&Sciences		University	
Total Baccalaureate Graduates(Adjusted)	262		279		183		646		1,370	
Total Survey Respondents	66		77		63		146		352	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Section I: Career Preparation and Employment Experiences										
1. Are you currently employed (including self-employed)?										
Yes, working full time	51	77.3%	56	72.7%	35	55.6%	91	62.3%	233	66.2%
Yes, working part time	4	6.1%	10	13.0%	18	28.6%	30	20.5%	62	17.6%
No, but am seeking employment	11	16.7%	8	10.4%	6	9.5%	16	11.0%	41	11.6%
No, and am not seeking employment			3	3.9%	4	6.3%	9	6.2%	16	4.5%
3. How would you classify your current primary employer?										
Self - employed or private practice	4	7.3%	2	2.9%	8	15.4%	9	7.4%	23	7.7%
Business	43	78.2%	5	7.2%	15	28.8%	37	30.3%	100	33.6%
Professional firm	2	3.6%	1	1.4%	2	3.8%	5	4.1%	10	3.4%
College or University			1	1.4%	2	3.8%	9	7.4%	12	4.0%
Elementary/secondary school			52	75.4%	3	5.8%	17	13.9%	72	24.2%
Health agency			1	1.4%	3	5.8%	16	13.1%	20	6.7%
Federal, state, or local government	5	9.1%	1	1.4%	9	17.3%	5	4.1%	20	6.7%
Armed services										
Non-Profit			3	4.3%	9	17.3%	15	12.3%	27	9.1%
Other	1	1.8%	3	4.3%	1	1.9%	9	7.4%	14	4.7%
4. How satisfied are you with your current job?										
Very satisfied	13	23.6%	21	30.4%	12	22.2%	20	16.5%	66	22.1%
Satisfied	23	41.8%	24	34.8%	20	37.0%	43	35.5%	110	36.8%
Somewhat satisfied	16	29.1%	21	30.4%	17	31.5%	34	28.1%	88	29.4%
Somewhat dissatisfied			1	1.4%	2	3.7%	8	6.6%	11	3.7%
Dissatisfied	3	5.5%	1	1.4%	1	1.9%	10	8.3%	15	5.0%
Very dissatisfied			1	1.4%	2	3.7%	6	5.0%	9	3.0%
5. How closely related is your current job to your degree from NEIU?										
Closely Related	21	38.2%	43	62.3%	9	16.7%	33	27.5%	106	35.6%
Related	21	38.2%	17	24.6%	20	37.0%	31	25.8%	89	29.9%
Unrelated	13	23.6%	9	13.0%	25	46.3%	56	46.7%	103	34.6%
If "unrelated", is this by choice?										
Yes	8	61.5%	4	44.4%	17	68.0%	23	41.1%	52	50.5%
No	5	38.5%	5	55.6%	8	32.0%	33	58.9%	51	49.5%
6. When did you secure your first job following receipt of your degree?										
Held the same job while enrolled	15	27.3%	14	20.0%	34	63.0%	45	38.1%	108	36.4%
Secured job by time of graduation	9	16.4%	4	5.7%	7	13.0%	14	11.9%	34	11.4%
Secured job after graduation	31	56.4%	52	74.3%	13	24.1%	59	50.0%	155	52.2%
If you marked 'after graduation', how many months after graduation did you secure employment?										
Less than 1 month	5	16.1%	4	7.7%	2	15.4%	6	10.2%	17	11.0%
Between 1 and 3 months	12	38.7%	22	42.3%	3	23.1%	17	28.8%	54	34.8%
Between 3 and 6 months	8	25.8%	13	25.0%	1	7.7%	23	39.0%	45	29.0%
Between 6 and 9 months	5	16.1%	9	17.3%	2	15.4%	10	16.9%	26	16.8%
More than 9 months	1	3.2%	4	7.7%	5	38.5%	3	5.1%	13	8.4%
7. What is your annual earned income before taxes in your current job?										
Mean	\$37,845		\$33,471		\$41,118		\$29,869		\$34,069	
Median	\$38,000		\$37,000		\$40,000		\$29,000		\$33,640	
Minimum	\$10,000		\$8,000		\$1,100		\$4,800		\$1,100	
Maximum	\$60,000		\$51,000		\$102,000		\$87,000		\$102,000	

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8. In general, how well did your degree program prepare you for your present job?										
Very well	7	12.7%	23	34.3%	11	22.0%	16	13.2%	57	19.5%
Well	21	38.2%	26	38.8%	20	40.0%	35	28.9%	102	34.8%
Adequately	22	40.0%	16	23.9%	13	26.0%	48	39.7%	99	33.8%
Inadequately	3	5.5%	2	3.0%	5	10.0%	13	10.7%	23	7.8%
Poorly	2	3.6%			1	2.0%	7	5.8%	10	3.4%
Very Poorly							2	1.7%	2	0.7%
Section II: Education										
1. Have you enrolled in a college or university since earning your degree?										
Yes, full-time	8	12.7%	4	5.2%	6	9.8%	31	22.0%	49	14.3%
Yes, part-time	4	6.3%	12	15.6%	20	32.8%	23	16.3%	59	17.3%
No	51	81.0%	61	79.2%	35	57.4%	87	61.7%	234	68.4%
2. Are you pursuing an additional degree since earning your degree at NEIU?										
Yes	12	46.2%	13	36.1%	20	55.6%	55	61.8%	100	53.5%
No	14	53.8%	23	63.9%	16	44.4%	34	38.2%	87	46.5%
If you are pursuing(or have completed) another degree, Please indicate which degree below:										
Associate's										
Second Bachelor's	1	8.3%			1	4.8%	2	3.5%	4	3.8%
Academic Master's	6	50.0%	10	66.7%	10	47.6%	27	47.4%	53	50.5%
Professional Master's	4	33.3%	3	20.0%	6	28.6%	16	28.1%	29	27.6%
Medicine										
Health Professional			1	6.7%			4	7.0%	5	4.8%
Theology										
Law					1	4.8%	2	3.5%	3	2.9%
Doctorate							2	3.5%	2	1.9%
Other	1	8.3%	1	6.7%	3	14.3%	4	7.0%	9	8.6%
3. In general, how well did your degree prepare you for your additional degree program?										
Very well	3	25.0%	6	37.5%	8	36.4%	19	33.3%	36	33.6%
Well	6	50.0%	7	43.8%	9	40.9%	23	40.4%	45	42.1%
Adequately	2	16.7%	2	12.5%	4	18.2%	12	21.1%	20	18.7%
Inadequately	1	8.3%					3	5.3%	4	3.7%
Poorly										
Very Poorly			1	6.3%	1	4.5%			2	1.9%
Section III: Satisfaction										
1. What is your present attitude towards Northeastern Illinois University?										
Strongly positive	16	24.2%	18	23.4%	23	36.5%	38	26.2%	95	27.1%
Positive	29	43.9%	38	49.4%	33	52.4%	68	46.9%	168	47.9%
Somewhat positive	20	30.3%	15	19.5%	5	7.9%	27	18.6%	67	19.1%
Somewhat negative	1	1.5%	5	6.5%	1	1.6%	7	4.8%	14	4.0%
Negative							4	2.8%	4	1.1%
Strongly negative			1	1.3%	1	1.6%	1	0.7%	3	0.9%
2. What is your present attitude towards your degree major?										
Strongly positive	20	30.3%	36	46.8%	17	27.0%	46	31.5%	119	33.8%
Positive	37	56.1%	31	40.3%	34	54.0%	64	43.8%	166	47.2%
Somewhat positive	8	12.1%	6	7.8%	11	17.5%	27	18.5%	52	14.8%
Somewhat negative	1	1.5%	2	2.6%			7	4.8%	10	2.8%
Negative			1	1.3%	1	1.6%	2	1.4%	4	1.1%
Strongly negative			1	1.3%					1	0.3%

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Section IV: Educational Effectiveness										
1. Professors accessible										
Very Often	12	18.2%	27	35.1%	25	39.7%	65	44.5%	129	36.6%
Often	34	51.5%	35	45.5%	30	47.6%	56	38.4%	155	44.0%
Sometimes	19	28.8%	14	18.2%	8	12.7%	21	14.4%	62	17.6%
Infrequently	1	1.5%	1	1.3%			4	2.7%	6	1.7%
Never										
2. Work cooperatively										
Very Often	23	34.8%	33	42.9%	15	23.8%	40	27.4%	111	31.5%
Often	30	45.5%	33	42.9%	25	39.7%	59	40.4%	147	41.8%
Sometimes	13	19.7%	9	11.7%	19	30.2%	37	25.3%	78	22.2%
Infrequently			2	2.6%	3	4.8%	9	6.2%	14	4.0%
Never					1	1.6%	1	0.7%	2	0.6%
3. Challenge ideas										
Very Often	7	10.6%	21	27.3%	21	33.3%	51	34.9%	100	28.4%
Often	29	43.9%	29	37.7%	30	47.6%	61	41.8%	149	42.3%
Sometimes	22	33.3%	23	29.9%	9	14.3%	25	17.1%	79	22.4%
Infrequently	8	12.1%	4	5.2%	2	3.2%	7	4.8%	21	6.0%
Never					1	1.6%	2	1.4%	3	0.9%
4. Appropriate teaching activities										
Very Often	15	22.7%	30	39.0%	22	34.9%	47	32.2%	114	32.4%
Often	32	48.5%	35	45.5%	34	54.0%	64	43.8%	165	46.9%
Sometimes	15	22.7%	10	13.0%	6	9.5%	31	21.2%	62	17.6%
Infrequently	4	6.1%	2	2.6%	1	1.6%	4	2.7%	11	3.1%
Never										
5. High expectations										
Very Often	11	16.7%	31	40.3%	20	31.7%	51	34.9%	113	32.1%
Often	29	43.9%	31	40.3%	32	50.8%	53	36.3%	145	41.2%
Sometimes	18	27.3%	14	18.2%	9	14.3%	35	24.0%	76	21.6%
Infrequently	7	10.6%	1	1.3%	2	3.2%	7	4.8%	17	4.8%
Never	1	1.5%							1	0.3%
6. Timely feedback										
Very Often	16	24.2%	24	31.2%	22	34.9%	45	30.8%	107	30.4%
Often	32	48.5%	33	42.9%	32	50.8%	66	45.2%	163	46.3%
Sometimes	13	19.7%	19	24.7%	7	11.1%	29	19.9%	68	19.3%
Infrequently	5	7.6%	1	1.3%	2	3.2%	6	4.1%	14	4.0%
Never										
7. Importance of preparation										
Very Often	21	31.8%	30	39.0%	20	31.7%	61	41.8%	132	37.5%
Often	33	50.0%	27	35.1%	28	44.4%	47	32.2%	135	38.4%
Sometimes	8	12.1%	13	16.9%	5	7.9%	21	14.4%	47	13.4%
Infrequently	4	6.1%	6	7.8%	8	12.7%	12	8.2%	30	8.5%
Never			1	1.3%	2	3.2%	5	3.4%	8	2.3%