

Northeastern Illinois University
Survey of 2007 Master's Graduates (1 Year Out)

Degree Program Group	College of Business		College of Education		College of Arts&Sciences		University	
Total Master's Graduates	33		416		166		615	
Total Survey Respondents	6		79		27		112	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Section I: Career Preparation and Employment Experiences								
1. Are you currently employed (including self-employed)?								
Yes, working full time	5	83.3%	66	86.8%	22	81.5%	93	85.3%
Yes, working part time			3	3.9%	2	7.4%	5	4.6%
No, but am seeking employment	1	16.7%	6	7.9%	2	7.4%	9	8.3%
No, and am not seeking employment			1	1.3%	1	3.7%	2	1.8%
3. How would you classify your current primary employer?								
Self - employed or private practice			1	1.4%	1	4.0%	2	2.0%
Business	4	66.7%	2	2.9%	3	12.0%	9	9.0%
Professional firm	1	16.7%			1	4.0%	2	2.0%
College or university			4	5.8%	2	8.0%	6	6.0%
Elementary/secondary school			49	71.0%	11	44.0%	60	60.0%
Health agency			5	7.2%			5	5.0%
Federal, state, or local government			1	1.4%	3	12.0%	4	4.0%
Armed services					1	4.0%	1	1.0%
Non-Profit	1	16.7%	4	5.8%	3	12.0%	8	8.0%
Other			3	4.3%			3	3.0%
4. How satisfied are you with your current job?								
Very satisfied	1	16.7%	27	39.1%	9	37.5%	37	37.4%
Satisfied	2	33.3%	25	36.2%	8	33.3%	35	35.4%
Somewhat satisfied	2	33.3%	10	14.5%	6	25.0%	18	18.2%
Somewhat dissatisfied			2	2.9%	1	4.2%	3	3.0%
Dissatisfied	1	16.7%	5	7.2%			6	6.1%
Very dissatisfied								
5. How closely related is your current job to your degree from NEIU?								
Closely Related	5	83.3%	46	66.7%	12	50.0%	63	63.6%
Related	1	16.7%	17	24.6%	9	37.5%	27	27.3%
Unrelated			6	8.7%	3	12.5%	9	9.1%
If "unrelated", is this by choice?								
Yes			2	33.3%	1	33.3%	3	33.3%
No			4	66.7%	1	33.3%	5	55.6%
No Response					1	33.3%	1	11.1%
6. When did you secure your first job following receipt of your degree?								
Held the same job while enrolled			20	31.3%	7	33.3%	27	29.7%
Secured job by time of graduation	2	33.3%	13	20.3%	5	23.8%	20	22.0%
Secured job after graduation	4	66.7%	31	48.4%	9	42.9%	44	48.4%
If you marked 'after graduation', how many months after graduation did you secure employment?								
Less than 1 month			4	12.9%	1	11.1%	5	11.4%
Between 1 and 3 months			15	48.4%	5	55.6%	20	45.5%
Between 3 and 6 months	2	50.0%	5	16.1%			7	15.9%
Between 6 and 9 months	1	25.0%	3	9.7%	1	11.1%	5	11.4%
More than 9 months	1	25.0%	4	12.9%	2	22.2%	7	15.9%

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7. What is your annual earned income before taxes in your current job?								
Mean	\$49,267		\$54,724		\$53,182		\$53,949	
Median	\$46,000		\$52,000		\$51,050		\$52,000	
Minimum	\$35,000		\$10,000		\$10,000		\$10,000	
Maximum	\$69,000		\$100,000		\$85,000		\$100,000	
8. In general, how well did your degree program prepare you for your present job?								
Very well	3	50.0%	18	28.1%	5	25.0%	26	28.9%
Well	1	16.7%	25	39.1%	5	25.0%	31	34.4%
Adequately	1	16.7%	17	26.6%	7	35.0%	25	27.8%
Inadequately			2	3.1%	1	5.0%	3	3.3%
Poorly	1	16.7%			1	5.0%	2	2.2%
Very Poorly			2	3.1%	1	5.0%	3	3.3%
9. Current Occupation								
Management	1	16.7%	9	13.0%	1	4.2%	11	11.1%
Business Operations					1	4.2%	1	1.0%
Financial Specialists	5	83.3%	1	1.4%			6	6.1%
Computer Specialists					3	12.5%	3	3.0%
Mathematical Scientists and Technicians								
Architects, Surveyors, and Cartographers								
Engineers and Related Technicians					1	4.2%	1	1.0%
Life and Physical Scientists and Technicians					1	4.2%	1	1.0%
Social Scientists					1	4.2%	1	1.0%
Health: Doctors								
Health: Registered Nurses								
Health: Therapists			1	1.4%			1	1.0%
Health: Other Health ,Support Workers								
Community and Social Service			9	13.0%			9	9.1%
Legal: Attorneys/Judges								
Legal: Legal Support Workers								
Education : Early Childhood Teachers			3	4.3%			3	3.0%
Education: Elementary School Teachers			13	18.8%			13	13.1%
Education: Middle School Teachers			6	8.7%	3	12.5%	9	9.1%
Education: Secondary School Teachers			6	8.7%	6	25.0%	12	12.1%
Education: Special Education Teachers			14	20.3%	1	4.2%	15	15.2%
Education: Other, except Administrators			6	8.7%	2	8.3%	8	8.1%
Library Occupations								
Arts and Design Workers								
Entertainers, Performers, Sports					1	4.2%	1	1.0%
Media and Communication Workers								
Sales								
Office and Administration					1	4.2%	1	1.0%
Protective Services			1	1.4%			1	1.0%
Food Preparation and Serving								
Cleaning and Maintenance								
Personal Care and Services								
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry					1	4.2%	1	1.0%
Construction and Extractive								
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair								
Production								
Transportation and Material Moving								
Military					1	4.2%	1	1.0%

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Section II: Education

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

Yes, full-time	2	33.3%	12	15.6%	4	17.4%	18	17.0%
Yes, part-time	1	16.7%	14	18.2%	3	13.0%	18	17.0%
No	3	50.0%	51	66.2%	16	69.6%	70	66.0%

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

Yes	2	40.0%	21	50.0%	7	46.7%	30	48.4%
No	3	60.0%	21	50.0%	8	53.3%	32	51.6%

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

Associate's								
Second Bachelor's			1	4.8%			1	3.3%
Academic Master's	2	100.0%	13	61.9%	4	57.1%	19	63.3%
Professional Master's			2	9.5%	1	14.3%	3	10.0%
Medicine								
Health Professional								
Theology								
Law								
Doctorate			4	19.0%	2	28.6%	6	20.0%
Other			1	4.8%			1	3.3%

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

Very well			8	33.3%	2	18.2%	10	27.0%
Well			9	37.5%	5	45.5%	14	37.8%
Adequately	1	50.0%	6	25.0%	4	36.4%	11	29.7%
Inadequately			1	4.2%			1	2.7%
Poorly	1	50.0%					1	2.7%
Very Poorly								

Section III: Satisfaction

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

Strongly positive	4	66.7%	20	27.8%	5	19.2%	29	27.9%
Positive	1	16.7%	32	44.4%	13	50.0%	46	44.2%
Somewhat positive			12	16.7%	8	30.8%	20	19.2%
Somewhat negative			6	8.3%			6	5.8%
Negative	1	16.7%	2	2.8%			3	2.9%
Strongly negative								

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

Strongly positive	4	66.7%	27	38.0%	10	38.5%	41	39.8%
Positive	1	16.7%	29	40.8%	11	42.3%	41	39.8%
Somewhat positive			10	14.1%	3	11.5%	13	12.6%
Somewhat negative	1	16.7%	3	4.2%	1	3.8%	5	4.9%
Negative			1	1.4%	1	3.8%	2	1.9%
Strongly negative			1	1.4%			1	1.0%

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Section IV: Educational Effectiveness								
1. Professors accessible								
Very Often	2	33.3%	26	33.8%	12	46.2%	40	36.7%
Often	2	33.3%	37	48.1%	13	50.0%	52	47.7%
Sometimes			11	14.3%	1	3.8%	12	11.0%
Infrequently	2	33.3%	3	3.9%			5	4.6%
Never								
2. Work cooperatively								
Very Often	1	16.7%	25	32.5%	4	15.4%	30	27.5%
Often	4	66.7%	35	45.5%	10	38.5%	49	45.0%
Sometimes	1	16.7%	15	19.5%	8	30.8%	24	22.0%
Infrequently			2	2.6%	3	11.5%	5	4.6%
Never					1	3.8%	1	0.9%
3. Challenge ideas								
Very Often	2	33.3%	27	35.1%	10	38.5%	39	35.8%
Often	2	33.3%	30	39.0%	10	38.5%	42	38.5%
Sometimes			15	19.5%	5	19.2%	20	18.3%
Infrequently	2	33.3%	4	5.2%	1	3.8%	7	6.4%
Never			1	1.3%			1	0.9%
4. Appropriate teaching activities								
Very Often	1	16.7%	29	38.2%	8	30.8%	38	35.2%
Often	3	50.0%	26	34.2%	15	57.7%	44	40.7%
Sometimes	2	33.3%	19	25.0%	3	11.5%	24	22.2%
Infrequently			2	2.6%			2	1.9%
Never								
5. High expectations								
Very Often			29	38.2%	10	38.5%	39	36.1%
Often	4	66.7%	35	46.1%	10	38.5%	49	45.4%
Sometimes	2	33.3%	10	13.2%	6	23.1%	18	16.7%
Infrequently			2	2.6%			2	1.9%
Never								
6. Timely feedback								
Very Often	3	50.0%	29	37.7%	12	46.2%	44	40.4%
Often	1	16.7%	37	48.1%	13	50.0%	51	46.8%
Sometimes	1	16.7%	7	9.1%	1	3.8%	9	8.3%
Infrequently			4	5.2%			4	3.7%
Never	1	16.7%					1	0.9%
7. Importance of preparation								
Very Often	1	16.7%	31	40.3%	10	38.5%	42	38.5%
Often	1	16.7%	33	42.9%	11	42.3%	45	41.3%
Sometimes	2	33.3%	9	11.7%	4	15.4%	15	13.8%
Infrequently	1	16.7%	3	3.9%	1	3.8%	5	4.6%
Never	1	16.7%	1	1.3%			2	1.8%