

Northeastern Illinois University
Survey of 2007 Baccalaureate Graduates (1 Year Out)

Degree Program Group	College of Business		College of Education		Non Traditional Degrees		College of Arts&Sciences		University	
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Total Baccalaureate Graduates	278		252		228		693		1,451	
Total Survey Respondents	39		49		52		118		258	
Section I: Career Preparation and Employment Experiences										
1. Are you currently employed (including self-employed)?										
Yes, working full time	35	89.7%	35	71.4%	32	64.0%	73	61.9%	175	68.4%
Yes, working part time	1	2.6%	3	6.1%	8	16.0%	27	22.9%	39	15.2%
No, but am seeking employment	3	7.7%	11	22.4%	7	14.0%	13	11.0%	34	13.3%
No, and am not seeking employment					3	6.0%	5	4.2%	8	3.1%
3. How would you classify your current primary employer?										
Self - employed or private practice	1	2.8%			3	7.3%	7	6.9%	11	5.0%
Business	23	63.9%	6	14.6%	10	24.4%	37	36.3%	76	34.5%
Professional firm	6	16.7%					11	10.8%	17	7.7%
College or University					4	9.8%	6	5.9%	10	4.5%
Elementary/secondary school			33	80.5%	7	17.1%	12	11.8%	52	23.6%
Health agency					2	4.9%	6	5.9%	8	3.6%
Federal, state, or local government	3	8.3%			6	14.6%	9	8.8%	18	8.2%
Armed services							1	1.0%	1	0.5%
Non-Profit	2	5.6%	1	2.4%	5	12.2%	7	6.9%	15	6.8%
Other	1	2.8%	1	2.4%	4	9.8%	6	5.9%	12	5.5%
4. How satisfied are you with your current job?										
Very satisfied	8	22.2%	14	35.0%	7	16.7%	24	23.8%	53	24.2%
Satisfied	14	38.9%	15	37.5%	17	40.5%	39	38.6%	85	38.8%
Somewhat satisfied	12	33.3%	6	15.0%	12	28.6%	20	19.8%	50	22.8%
Somewhat dissatisfied	1	2.8%	4	10.0%	2	4.8%	5	5.0%	12	5.5%
Dissatisfied	1	2.8%	1	2.5%	2	4.8%	5	5.0%	9	4.1%
Very dissatisfied					2	4.8%	8	7.9%	10	4.6%
5. How closely related is your current job to your degree from NEIU?										
Closely Related	20	57.1%	28	68.3%	3	7.1%	31	30.4%	82	37.3%
Related	10	28.6%	8	19.5%	15	35.7%	23	22.5%	56	25.5%
Unrelated	5	14.3%	5	12.2%	24	57.1%	48	47.1%	82	37.3%
If "unrelated", is this by choice?										
Yes	1	20.0%	1	20.0%	14	58.3%	21	43.8%	37	45.1%
No	4	80.0%	3	60.0%	7	29.2%	24	50.0%	38	46.3%
No Response			1	20.0%	3	12.5%	3	6.3%	7	8.5%
6. When did you secure your first job following receipt of your degree?										
Held the same job while enrolled	15	41.7%	4	10.0%	31	75.6%	41	40.6%	91	41.7%
Secured job by time of graduation	2	5.6%	6	15.0%	2	4.9%	10	9.9%	20	9.2%
Secured job after graduation	19	52.8%	30	75.0%	8	19.5%	50	49.5%	107	49.1%
If you marked 'after graduation', how many months after graduation did you secure employment?										
Less than 1 month	4	21.1%	9	30.0%	1	12.5%	8	16.0%	22	20.6%
Between 1 and 3 months	6	31.6%	17	56.7%	1	12.5%	15	30.0%	39	36.4%
Between 3 and 6 months	5	26.3%	2	6.7%	1	12.5%	15	30.0%	23	21.5%
Between 6 and 9 months	4	21.1%	2	6.7%	3	37.5%	5	10.0%	14	13.1%
More than 9 months					2	25.0%	7	14.0%	9	8.4%

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7. What is your annual earned income before taxes in your current job?										
Mean	\$47,705		\$34,676		\$39,122		\$32,889		\$36,814	
Median	\$43,000		\$37,000		\$38,295		\$32,750		\$35,000	
Minimum	\$20,000		\$15,000		\$3,600		\$6,500		\$3,600	
Maximum	\$113,800		\$47,500		\$105,000		\$120,000		\$120,000	
8. In general, how well did your degree program prepare you for your present job?										
Very well	6	16.7%	12	30.0%	6	15.0%	11	11.7%	35	16.7%
Well	11	30.6%	20	50.0%	11	27.5%	35	37.2%	77	36.7%
Adequately	14	38.9%	5	12.5%	16	40.0%	31	33.0%	66	31.4%
Inadequately	3	8.3%	2	5.0%	2	5.0%	10	10.6%	17	8.1%
Poorly	1	2.8%			2	5.0%	2	2.1%	5	2.4%
Very Poorly	1	2.8%	1	2.5%	3	7.5%	5	5.3%	10	4.8%
9. Current Occupation										
Management	10	27.8%	1	2.5%	8	19.5%	8	8.2%	27	12.6%
Business Operations	4	11.1%			1	2.4%	8	8.2%	13	6.1%
Financial Specialists	13	36.1%	1	2.5%	2	4.9%	2	2.1%	18	8.4%
Computer Specialists	1	2.8%					6	6.2%	7	3.3%
Mathematical Scientists and Technicians										
Architects, Surveyors, and Cartographers										
Engineers and Related Technicians					1	2.4%			1	0.5%
Life and Physical Scientists and Technicians							4	4.1%	4	1.9%
Social Scientists			1	2.5%			3	3.1%	4	1.9%
Health: Doctors							1	1.0%	1	0.5%
Health: Registered Nurses					1	2.4%	1	1.0%	2	0.9%
Health: Therapists					1	2.4%			1	0.5%
Health: Other Health ,Support Workers							5	5.2%	5	2.3%
Community and Social Service					2	4.9%	4	4.1%	6	2.8%
Legal: Attorneys/Judges										
Legal: Legal Support Workers	1	2.8%					5	5.2%	6	2.8%
Education : Early Childhood Teachers			9	22.5%	1	2.4%	1	1.0%	11	5.1%
Education: Elementary School Teachers			14	35.0%	3	7.3%	1	1.0%	18	8.4%
Education: Middle School Teachers			4	10.0%			5	5.2%	9	4.2%
Education: Secondary School Teachers							4	4.1%	4	1.9%
Education: Special Education Teachers			4	10.0%					4	1.9%
Education: Other, except Administrators			4	10.0%	4	9.8%	5	5.2%	13	6.1%
Library Occupations							1	1.0%	1	0.5%
Arts and Design Workers							3	3.1%	3	1.4%
Entertainers, Performers, Sports			1	2.5%	2	4.9%	1	1.0%	4	1.9%
Media and Communication Workers					2	4.9%	5	5.2%	7	3.3%
Sales	1	2.8%			1	2.4%	5	5.2%	7	3.3%
Office and Administration	6	16.7%	1	2.5%	4	9.8%	9	9.3%	20	9.3%
Protective Services					2	4.9%	3	3.1%	5	2.3%
Food Preparation and Serving							1	1.0%	1	0.5%
Cleaning and Maintenance					2	4.9%			2	0.9%
Personal Care and Services					1	2.4%	2	2.1%	3	1.4%
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry							1	1.0%	1	0.5%
Construction and Extractive							1	1.0%	1	0.5%
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair					1	2.4%			1	0.5%
Production										
Transportation and Material Moving					2	4.9%	1	1.0%	3	1.4%
Military							1	1.0%	1	0.5%

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Section II: Education

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

Yes, full-time	8	20.5%	4	8.2%	9	17.3%	11	9.5%	32	12.5%
Yes, part-time	3	7.7%	9	18.4%	10	19.2%	23	19.8%	45	17.6%
No	28	71.8%	36	73.5%	33	63.5%	82	70.7%	179	69.9%

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

Yes	12	75.0%	10	52.6%	19	65.5%	36	65.5%	77	64.7%
No	4	25.0%	9	47.4%	10	34.5%	19	34.5%	42	35.3%

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

Associate's										
Second Bachelor's	1	8.3%	1	10.0%	1	5.9%	1	2.8%	4	5.3%
Academic Master's	3	25.0%	4	40.0%	6	35.3%	18	50.0%	31	41.3%
Professional Master's	7	58.3%	5	50.0%	9	52.9%	8	22.2%	29	38.7%
Medicine										
Health Professional							1	2.8%	1	1.3%
Theology										
Law	1	8.3%					1	2.8%	2	2.7%
Doctorate							2	5.6%	2	2.7%
Other					1	5.9%	5	13.9%	6	8.0%

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

Very well	5	45.5%	3	30.0%	8	38.1%	12	33.3%	28	35.9%
Well	3	27.3%	5	50.0%	4	19.0%	16	44.4%	28	35.9%
Adequately	2	18.2%	2	20.0%	7	33.3%	6	16.7%	17	21.8%
Inadequately	1	9.1%					1	2.8%	2	2.6%
Poorly					1	4.8%			1	1.3%
Very Poorly					1	4.8%	1	2.8%	2	2.6%

Section III: Satisfaction

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

Strongly positive	11	32.4%	13	27.7%	24	48.0%	27	23.7%	75	30.6%
Positive	16	47.1%	24	51.1%	14	28.0%	57	50.0%	111	45.3%
Somewhat positive	4	11.8%	8	17.0%	4	8.0%	21	18.4%	37	15.1%
Somewhat negative	3	8.8%			3	6.0%	6	5.3%	12	4.9%
Negative			1	2.1%	2	4.0%	1	0.9%	4	1.6%
Strongly negative			1	2.1%	3	6.0%	2	1.8%	6	2.4%

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

Strongly positive	16	47.1%	20	42.6%	19	38.8%	45	39.5%	100	41.0%
Positive	11	32.4%	20	42.6%	16	32.7%	43	37.7%	90	36.9%
Somewhat positive	7	20.6%	6	12.8%	8	16.3%	19	16.7%	40	16.4%
Somewhat negative					4	8.2%	4	3.5%	8	3.3%
Negative			1	2.1%	1	2.0%	1	0.9%	3	1.2%
Strongly negative					1	2.0%	2	1.8%	3	1.2%

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Section IV: Educational Effectiveness											
1. Professors accessible											
Very Often	8	20.5%	16	32.7%	21	41.2%	49	42.6%	94	37.0%	
Often	19	48.7%	22	44.9%	18	35.3%	45	39.1%	104	40.9%	
Sometimes	11	28.2%	11	22.4%	8	15.7%	18	15.7%	48	18.9%	
Infrequently	1	2.6%			2	3.9%	3	2.6%	6	2.4%	
Never					2	3.9%			2	0.8%	
2. Work cooperatively											
Very Often	13	33.3%	21	42.9%	8	16.3%	25	21.7%	67	26.6%	
Often	19	48.7%	24	49.0%	20	40.8%	45	39.1%	108	42.9%	
Sometimes	6	15.4%	4	8.2%	19	38.8%	37	32.2%	66	26.2%	
Infrequently	1	2.6%			1	2.0%	6	5.2%	8	3.2%	
Never					1	2.0%	2	1.7%	3	1.2%	
3. Challenge ideas											
Very Often	7	17.9%	17	34.7%	15	29.4%	38	33.0%	77	30.3%	
Often	18	46.2%	22	44.9%	18	35.3%	38	33.0%	96	37.8%	
Sometimes	11	28.2%	9	18.4%	14	27.5%	29	25.2%	63	24.8%	
Infrequently	2	5.1%	1	2.0%	3	5.9%	6	5.2%	12	4.7%	
Never	1	2.6%			1	2.0%	4	3.5%	6	2.4%	
4. Appropriate teaching activities											
Very Often	10	25.6%	22	44.9%	21	41.2%	33	28.7%	86	33.9%	
Often	17	43.6%	19	38.8%	18	35.3%	56	48.7%	110	43.3%	
Sometimes	6	15.4%	7	14.3%	8	15.7%	21	18.3%	42	16.5%	
Infrequently	6	15.4%	1	2.0%	3	5.9%	5	4.3%	15	5.9%	
Never					1	2.0%			1	0.4%	
5. High expectations											
Very Often	7	17.9%	23	46.9%	18	36.0%	33	28.9%	81	32.1%	
Often	21	53.8%	23	46.9%	21	42.0%	44	38.6%	109	43.3%	
Sometimes	8	20.5%	2	4.1%	7	14.0%	24	21.1%	41	16.3%	
Infrequently	3	7.7%	1	2.0%	2	4.0%	12	10.5%	18	7.1%	
Never					2	4.0%	1	0.9%	3	1.2%	
6. Timely feedback											
Very Often	10	25.6%	20	41.7%	22	44.0%	42	36.5%	94	37.3%	
Often	13	33.3%	18	37.5%	17	34.0%	45	39.1%	93	36.9%	
Sometimes	12	30.8%	9	18.8%	10	20.0%	22	19.1%	53	21.0%	
Infrequently	4	10.3%	1	2.1%	1	2.0%	6	5.2%	12	4.8%	
Never											
7. Importance of preparation											
Very Often	13	33.3%	22	44.9%	26	51.0%	45	39.1%	106	41.7%	
Often	20	51.3%	16	32.7%	11	21.6%	39	33.9%	86	33.9%	
Sometimes	5	12.8%	11	22.4%	11	21.6%	18	15.7%	45	17.7%	
Infrequently					2	3.9%	9	7.8%	11	4.3%	
Never	1	2.6%			1	2.0%	4	3.5%	6	2.4%	