

UW Alumni Survey Results
2015-2016 MASTERS Degree Recipients

Education Program All Professional UW Tacoma

Graduates Surveyed						
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	48	100%	255	100%	264	100%
Women	41	85%	160	63%	164	62%
Men	7	15%	95	37%	100	38%
African American	1	2%	16	6%	18	7%
American Indian	2	4%	5	2%	6	2%
Asian American	6	13%	32	13%	32	12%
Caucasian	35	73%	144	56%	149	56%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Hispanic/Latino	4	8%	21	8%	22	8%
Other/Not Indicated	0	0%	37	15%	37	14%
International	0	0%	34	13%	34	13%

Survey Response Rates						
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	11	23%	82	32%	86	33%
Women	10	91%	47	57%	49	57%
Men	1	9%	35	43%	37	43%
African American	0	0%	4	5%	4	5%
American Indian	0	0%	2	2%	3	3%
Asian American	2	18%	13	16%	13	15%
Caucasian	8	73%	45	55%	48	56%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Hispanic/Latino	1	9%	9	11%	9	10%
Other/Not Indicated	0	0%	9	11%	9	10%
International	0	0%	7	9%	7	8%

Current Status						
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employed for pay full time	10	91%	69	84%	72	84%
Employed for pay part time	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Participating in a volunteer or service program	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Serving in the U.S. military	0	0%	2	2%	2	2%
Enrolled in a program of continuing education	1	9%	3	4%	3	3%
Planning to continue education	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Seeking employment	0	0%	4	5%	5	6%
Not seeking employment or continuing education	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Other	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%

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Employed Full Time or Part time**Type of employment**

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employee working for a company or organization	9	90%	68	97%	71	97%
Entrepreneur/self-employed	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Temporary/contract work assignment	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Freelance	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Postgraduate internship or fellowship	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Faculty tenure track position	1	10%	1	1%	1	1%
Faculty non-tenure track position	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%

Career related

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Yes	10	100%	66	94%	68	93%
No	0	0%	4	6%	5	7%

Job location

	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	4	40%	51	73%	54	74%
Other Washington	5	50%	11	16%	11	15%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
California, Hawaii	0	0%	3	4%	3	4%
Mountain states	1	10%	1	1%	1	1%
Central states	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Eastern states	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
International	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%

Type of employer

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Private	0	0%	25	36%	26	36%
Non-profit/NGO	0	0%	8	12%	8	11%
Government	10	100%	33	48%	35	49%
Other	0	0%	3	4%	3	4%

Search time (weeks)

	N		N		N		
		3		34		35	
Mean		3.0		7.7		7.6	
SD		1		8		8	
Range		2	4	1	30	1	30

Salary

	N		N		N		
		8		59		61	
Mean		51,250		67,678		66,323	
SD		11,961		23,209		24,008	
Range		43,000	80,000	20,000	145,000	20,000	145,000

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Participating in a Volunteer or Service Program**Program location**

	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other Washington	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
California, Hawaii	0	0%	1	100%	1	100%
Mountain states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Central states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Eastern states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
International	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

Serving in the US Military**Service branch**

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Air Force	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Army	0	0%	1	50%	1	50%
Coast Guard	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Marine Corps	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Navy	0	0%	1	50%	1	50%

Status

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Active duty	0	0%	2	100%	2	100%
Reserve	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
National Guard	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

Enrolled in Educational Program**Degree program**

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Certificate	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Associate (AA/AS)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Bachelor (BA/BS)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Masters (MA/MS) – terminal degree	1	100%	1	33%	1	33%
Masters (MA/MS) – leading to doctorate	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Doctorate (PhD/EdD)	0	0%	2	67%	2	67%
Professional (JD, MD, DDS, PharmD)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

School location

	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other Washington	1	100%	1	33%	1	33%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	1	33%	1	33%
California, Hawaii	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Mountain states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Central states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Eastern states	0	0%	1	33%	1	33%
International	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

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All Respondents**Authorized to permanently work in the U.S.**

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Yes	11	100%	74	93%	78	93%
No	0	0%	6	8%	6	7%

Amount UW academic program ADVANCED LEARNING

1=Not at all; 2=Somewhat; 3=Moderately; 4=Very much

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
Acquiring deep knowledge in your chosen field of study	10	3.8	76	3.5	79	3.5
Writing effectively	10	3.6	76	3.4	79	3.4
Speaking effectively about ideas, projects, and plans	10	3.4	77	3.2	80	3.2
Critically analyzing the research, technical literature, and/or performance in your field	10	3.5	76	3.5	79	3.5
Identifying important questions in your field	10	3.5	77	3.4	80	3.4
Identifying and using the best methods for answering specific questions in your field	10	3.3	77	3.3	80	3.3
Knowing how to generate original/creative ideas, solutions, and research directions	10	3.3	77	3.3	80	3.3
Knowing how to put research ideas into practice in your field	10	3.5	77	3.2	80	3.2
Understanding ethics and ethical practice in your field	10	3.4	77	3.3	80	3.3
Understanding, evaluating, and using the quantitative methods relevant to your field	10	3.4	77	3.1	80	3.1
Mastering specialized instruments, computer programs, or materials important to your field	10	2.8	77	2.6	80	2.6
Learning independently	10	3.4	77	3.4	80	3.5
Working collaboratively with others within your field	10	3.7	76	3.5	79	3.5
Working collaboratively with interdisciplinary groups	10	3.2	77	3.0	80	3.0
Understanding and valuing diverse people and cultures	10	3.8	76	3.3	79	3.3
Using self-reflection and self-assessment to guide next directions	10	3.7	77	3.2	80	3.2

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IMPORTANCE to current work and life

1=Not at all; 2=Somewhat; 3=Moderately; 4=Very

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
Acquiring deep knowledge in your chosen field of study	11	3.7	70	3.7	73	3.7
Writing effectively	11	3.2	69	3.6	72	3.6
Speaking effectively about ideas, projects, and plans	11	3.7	70	3.7	73	3.7
Critically analyzing the research, technical literature, and/or performance in your field	11	3.5	70	3.6	73	3.6
Identifying important questions in your field	11	3.6	70	3.6	73	3.6
Identifying and using the best methods for answering specific questions in your field	11	3.7	70	3.7	73	3.7
Knowing how to generate original/creative ideas, solutions, and research directions	11	3.5	69	3.6	72	3.6
Knowing how to put research ideas into practice in your field	11	3.9	70	3.5	73	3.5
Understanding ethics and ethical practice in your field	11	3.8	70	3.7	73	3.7
Understanding, evaluating, and using the quantitative methods relevant to your field	11	3.6	69	3.5	72	3.5
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Working collaboratively with others within your field	11	3.9	70	3.8	73	3.8
Working collaboratively with interdisciplinary groups	11	3.8	70	3.6	73	3.6
Understanding and valuing diverse people and cultures	11	3.9	70	3.6	73	3.6
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Overall UW experience

1=Poor; 2=Fair; 3=Good; 4=Excellent

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
The help you received from your graduate thesis (MA/MS graduates) or dissertation (PhD graduates) committee members	10	3.4	68	3.1	71	3.1
The help you received from graduate student colleagues	11	3.8	73	3.3	76	3.3
The help you received navigating the job market	11	3.0	73	2.3	76	2.3
Your overall learning experience at the UW	11	3.5	73	3.4	76	3.4

1=Strongly Disagree; 2=Disagree; 3=Agree; 4=Strongly Agree

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
Faculty treated students respectfully - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, sexuality, and country of origin.	11	3.5	73	3.6	76	3.6
Students in my major treated each other respectfully - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, sexuality, and country of origin.	11	3.7	73	3.7	76	3.7
Classrooms, labs, and other campus spaces were accessible.	11	3.7	73	3.7	76	3.6
If I had to make my college choice over again, I would choose to attend UW.	11	3.6	73	3.4	76	3.4

1=Strongly Dissatisfied; 2= Dissatisfied; 3= Satisfied; 4= Strongly Satisfied

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
How satisfied are you with your overall experience at UW?	9	3.4	41	3.6	44	3.5

Current activity roster**Employed Full Time or Part time**

Job title	Employing organization
Teacher	Sequim School District
Certified Tutor	Albany County School District #1
Teacher	
General Education Teacher	
Third Grade Teacher	
Teacher	Puyallup school district
Coordinator of Curriculum and Instruction	
Teacher	
Teacher	Sumner School District