

UW Alumni Survey Results

2018-2019 MASTERS Degree Recipients

Urban Studies

All Professional

UW Tacoma

Graduates Surveyed

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	33	100%	365	100%	375	100%
Women	15	45%	217	59%	225	60%
Men	18	55%	148	41%	150	40%
African American	1	3%	27	7%	28	7%
American Indian	0	0%	1	0%	1	0%
Asian American	6	18%	47	13%	47	13%
Caucasian	20	61%	177	48%	183	49%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1	3%	5	1%	5	1%
Hispanic/Latino	2	6%	35	10%	37	10%
Other/Not Indicated	3	9%	73	20%	74	20%
International	3	9%	66	18%	66	18%

Survey Response Rates

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	12	36%	97	27%	103	27%
Women	7	58%	60	62%	66	64%
Men	5	42%	37	38%	37	36%
African American	0	0%	8	8%	9	9%
American Indian	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Asian American	4	33%	15	15%	15	15%
Caucasian	7	58%	38	39%	42	41%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Hispanic/Latino	0	0%	10	10%	11	11%
Other/Not Indicated	1	8%	25	26%	25	24%
International	1	8%	21	22%	21	20%

Current Status

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employed for pay full time	10	83%	87	90%	92	89%
Employed for pay part time	0	0%	1	1%	2	2%
Participating in a volunteer or service program	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Serving in the U.S. military	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Enrolled in a program of continuing education	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Planning to continue education	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Seeking employment	1	8%	5	5%	5	5%
Not seeking employment or continuing education	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Other	1	8%	1	1%	1	1%

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

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employee working for a company or organization	7	70%	80	93%	84	92%
Entrepreneur/self-employed	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Temporary/contract work assignment	3	30%	4	5%	5	5%
Freelance	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Postgraduate internship or fellowship	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Faculty tenure track position	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
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%	81	95%	83	91%
No	0	0%	4	5%	8	9%

Job location

	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	7	70%	68	80%	73	80%
Other Washington	1	10%	7	8%	7	8%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
California, Hawaii	1	10%	4	5%	4	4%
Mountain states	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Central states	0	0%	2	2%	2	2%
Eastern states	0	0%	2	2%	2	2%
International	1	10%	1	1%	2	2%

Type of employer

	N	%	N	%	N	%
For-profit company	4	40%	41	50%	41	47%
Non-profit/NGO	2	20%	6	7%	7	8%
Government	4	40%	31	38%	34	39%
Other	0	0%	4	5%	5	6%

Search time (weeks)

N	2	32	33
Mean	7.0	8.3	8.2
SD	7	7	7
Range	2 12	-1 25	-1 25

Salary

N	6	63	67
Mean	50,897	90,959	88,558
SD	18,308	33,341	33,884
Range	26,880 72,000	26,880 175,000	26,880 175,000

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%	0	0%	0	0%
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%	0	0%	0	0%
Coast Guard	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Marine Corps	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Navy	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

Status

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Active duty	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
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	0	0%	1	100%	1	100%
Masters (MA/MS) – leading to doctorate	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Doctorate (PhD/EdD)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
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%	1	100%	1	100%
Other Washington	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
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%	0	0%	0	0%
International	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

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

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Yes	10	91%	76	84%	82	85%
No	1	9%	15	16%	15	15%

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	9	3.2	87	3.2	93	3.2
Writing effectively	9	3.4	87	3.1	93	3.1
Speaking effectively about ideas, projects, and plans	9	2.9	88	3.1	94	3.1
Critically analyzing the research, technical literature, and/or performance in your field	9	3.8	87	3.3	93	3.4
Identifying important questions in your field	9	3.4	87	3.2	92	3.3
Identifying and using the best methods for answering specific questions in your field	9	3.1	86	3.1	92	3.1
Knowing how to generate original/creative ideas, solutions, and research directions	9	3.0	86	3.1	92	3.1
Knowing how to put research ideas into practice in your field	9	3.4	86	3.1	92	3.2
Understanding ethics and ethical practice in your field	9	3.4	86	3.2	91	3.2
Understanding, evaluating, and using the quantitative methods relevant to your field	9	2.9	86	3.1	91	3.1
Mastering specialized instruments, computer programs, or materials important to your field	9	2.9	86	2.7	90	2.7
Learning independently	9	3.3	86	3.2	92	3.2
Working collaboratively with others within your field	9	3.3	86	3.3	92	3.3
Working collaboratively with interdisciplinary groups	9	2.8	84	3.1	90	3.1
Understanding and valuing diverse people and cultures	9	3.3	86	3.3	92	3.3
Using self-reflection and self-assessment to guide next directions	9	2.8	86	3.1	92	3.1

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	8	3.3	84	3.6	90	3.6
Writing effectively	8	3.6	85	3.4	91	3.4
Speaking effectively about ideas, projects, and plans	8	3.5	84	3.6	89	3.6
Critically analyzing the research, technical literature, and/or performance in your field	8	3.1	85	3.4	91	3.4
Identifying important questions in your field	8	3.5	85	3.6	91	3.6
Identifying and using the best methods for answering specific questions in your field	8	3.4	85	3.6	91	3.6
Knowing how to generate original/creative ideas, solutions, and research directions	8	3.6	85	3.5	91	3.5
Knowing how to put research ideas into practice in your field	8	3.1	85	3.4	91	3.4
Understanding ethics and ethical practice in your field	8	3.5	85	3.5	91	3.5
Understanding, evaluating, and using the quantitative methods relevant to your field	8	3.3	85	3.4	91	3.4
Mastering specialized instruments, computer programs, or materials important to your field	8	3.8	85	3.3	91	3.3
Learning independently	8	3.5	85	3.6	91	3.6
Working collaboratively with others within your field	8	3.9	85	3.7	91	3.7
Working collaboratively with interdisciplinary groups	8	3.9	85	3.7	91	3.6
Understanding and valuing diverse people and cultures	8	3.9	85	3.6	91	3.6
Using self-reflection and self-assessment to guide next directions	8	3.5	85	3.5	91	3.5

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	9	3.6	78	3.1	84	3.0
The help you received from graduate student colleagues	8	3.0	85	3.2	91	3.2
The help you received navigating the job market	9	2.2	82	2.3	88	2.2
Your overall learning experience at the UW	9	3.8	86	3.3	92	3.2

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.	8	3.5	85	3.6	91	3.6
Students in my major treated each other respectfully - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, sexuality, and country of origin.	8	3.0	85	3.5	91	3.5
Classrooms, labs, and other campus spaces were accessible.	8	3.8	85	3.6	91	3.5
If I had to make my college choice over again, I would choose to attend UW.	8	3.6	85	3.4	91	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	3.6	84	3.3	89	3.2

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

Job title	Employing organization
Project Manager - Data Analyst	Tacoma Housing Authority
GIS Analysis	
Office Manager	
Project Associate	Fern Tiger Associates
Project Manager	University of Washington - Tacoma
GIS Analyst	Camera Inc
GIS Manager	Earth Economics
GIS Data Curator	Lyft; Via Ryzen Solutions
K-12 Outreach & Recruitment Specialist	
GIS Analyst	POWTEC Solutions