

UW Alumni Survey Results 2020-2021 MASTERS Degree Recipients

School Of Environmental & Forest Science College Of The Environment All Professional UW Seattle

Graduates Surveyed								
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	19	100%	91	100%	3685	100%	4305	100%
Women	11	58%	57	63%	2044	55%	2398	56%
Men	8	42%	34	37%	1641	45%	1907	44%
African American	0	0%	0	0%	143	4%	162	4%
American Indian	0	0%	0	0%	46	1%	49	1%
Asian American	1	5%	9	10%	610	17%	680	16%
Caucasian	16	84%	70	77%	1682	46%	1942	45%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0%	1	1%	23	1%	28	1%
Hispanic/Latino	0	0%	3	3%	245	7%	302	7%
Other/Not Indicated	2	11%	8	9%	936	25%	1142	27%
International	2	11%	7	8%	853	23%	1042	24%
Survey Response Rates								
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	10	53%	40	44%	1027	28%	1174	27%
Women	7	70%	24	60%	583	57%	671	57%
Men	3	30%	16	40%	444	43%	503	43%
African American	0	0%	0	0%	31	3%	37	3%
American Indian	0	0%	0	0%	13	1%	16	1%
Asian American	0	0%	4	10%	158	15%	171	15%
Caucasian	8	80%	28	70%	504	49%	572	49%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0%	1	3%	7	1%	8	1%
Hispanic/Latino	0	0%	1	3%	68	7%	81	7%
Other/Not Indicated	2	20%	6	15%	246	24%	289	25%
International	2	20%	5	13%	224	22%	264	22%
Current Status								
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employed for pay full time	7	70%	20	50%	813	79%	901	77%
Employed for pay part time	0	0%	1	3%	40	4%	47	4%
Participating in a volunteer or service program	0	0%	0	0%	4	0%	4	0%
Serving in the U.S. military	0	0%	0	0%	7	1%	8	1%
Enrolled in a certificate or degree program	3	30%	12	30%	58	6%	88	7%
Planning to continue education	0	0%	0	0%	2	0%	5	0%
Seeking employment	0	0%	3	8%	69	7%	79	7%
A fellowship	0	0%	4	10%	15	1%	18	2%
Not seeking employment or continuing education	0	0%	0	0%	19	2%	24	2%

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

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employee working for a company or organization	6	86%	18	86%	775	93%	849	92%
Entrepreneur/self-employed	0	0%	0	0%	5	1%	9	1%
Temporary/contract work assignment	0	0%	1	5%	23	3%	28	3%
Freelance	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Postgraduate internship or fellowship	0	0%	1	5%	8	1%	10	1%
Faculty tenure track position	0	0%	0	0%	4	0%	4	0%
Faculty non-tenure track position	0	0%	0	0%	9	1%	12	1%
Other	1	14%	1	5%	7	1%	11	1%

Career related

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Yes	7	100%	20	95%	793	96%	878	96%
No	0	0%	1	5%	33	4%	40	4%

Job location

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	2	29%	12	57%	532	66%	589	66%
Other Washington	1	14%	1	5%	31	4%	34	4%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	0	0%	16	2%	18	2%
California, Hawaii	0	0%	1	5%	69	9%	77	9%
Mountain states	1	14%	1	5%	21	3%	24	3%
Central states	0	0%	0	0%	28	3%	30	3%
Eastern states	2	29%	5	24%	48	6%	56	6%
International	1	14%	1	5%	57	7%	63	7%

Type of employer

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
For-profit company	2	33%	9	45%	477	59%	527	59%
Non-profit/NGO	0	0%	2	10%	94	12%	108	12%
Government	4	67%	8	40%	199	25%	214	24%
Other	0	0%	1	5%	35	4%	39	4%

Search time (weeks)

	N					
	4	13	463	512		
Mean	8.8	9.4	11.4	11.5		
SD	12	10	10	10		
Range	0 26	0 26	0 53	0 53		

Salary

	N					
	6	18	661	724		
Mean	53,090	58,436	96,305	95,246		
SD	20,840	13,228	53,960	52,455		
Range	20,000 72,000	20,000 75,000	10,000 600,000	10,000 600,000		

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

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	0	0%	0	0%	3	75%	3	75%
Other Washington	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
California, Hawaii	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Mountain states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Central states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Eastern states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
International	0	0%	0	0%	1	25%	1	25%

Serving in the US Military**Service branch**

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Air Force	0	0%	0	0%	2	29%	2	25%
Army	0	0%	0	0%	3	43%	4	50%
Coast Guard	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Marine Corps	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Navy	0	0%	0	0%	2	29%	2	25%

Status

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Active duty	0	0%	0	0%	6	86%	7	88%
Reserve	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
National Guard	0	0%	0	0%	1	14%	1	13%

Enrolled in Educational Program**Degree program**

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Certificate	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	2	2%
Advanced Certificate	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%
Associate (AA/AS)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Bachelor (BA/BS)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Masters (MA/MS) – terminal degree	0	0%	0	0%	5	9%	5	6%
Masters (MA/MS) – leading to doctorate	0	0%	0	0%	1	2%	1	1%
Doctorate (PhD/EdD)	3	100%	11	100%	45	82%	71	85%
Professional (JD, MD, DDS, PharmD)	0	0%	0	0%	3	5%	3	4%
Non-Degree Seeking	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Postdoctoral Studies	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	0	0%	0	0%	1	2%	1	1%

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School location

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	2	67%	9	82%	34	63%	52	64%
Other Washington	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	0	0%	1	2%	1	1%
California, Hawaii	0	0%	0	0%	2	4%	5	6%
Mountain states	0	0%	0	0%	3	6%	3	4%
Central states	0	0%	0	0%	1	2%	1	1%
Eastern states	0	0%	0	0%	7	13%	9	11%
International	1	33%	2	18%	6	11%	10	12%

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

	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Yes	8	80%	34	87%	797	82%	908	82%
No	2	20%	5	13%	176	18%	204	18%

Amount UW academic program ADVANCED LEARNING

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

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
Acquiring deep knowledge in your chosen field of study	10	3.4	38	3.5	930	3.3	1058	3.3
Writing effectively	10	3.1	38	3.3	924	3.0	1052	3.0
Speaking effectively about ideas, projects, and plans	10	3.1	38	3.4	922	3.0	1050	3.0
Critically analyzing the research, technical literature, and/or performance in your field	10	3.4	38	3.5	923	3.2	1051	3.2
Identifying important questions in your field	10	3.4	38	3.4	923	3.3	1051	3.3
Identifying and using the best methods for answering specific questions in your field	10	3.2	38	3.3	922	3.1	1050	3.2
Knowing how to generate original/creative ideas, solutions, and research directions	10	3.3	38	3.1	923	3.0	1050	3.0
Knowing how to put research ideas into practice in your field	10	3.2	37	3.2	920	2.9	1047	2.9
Understanding ethics and ethical practice in your field	10	2.5	37	3.0	920	3.1	1048	3.1
Understanding, evaluating, and using the quantitative methods relevant to your field	10	3.1	37	3.4	920	3.0	1048	3.0
Mastering specialized instruments, computer programs, or materials important to your field	10	2.9	37	3.0	921	2.7	1049	2.7
Learning independently	10	3.5	37	3.5	916	3.2	1044	3.2
Working collaboratively with others within your field	10	3.0	37	3.2	919	3.3	1046	3.2
Working collaboratively with interdisciplinary groups	10	2.6	37	2.8	917	3.0	1045	3.0
Understanding and valuing diverse people and cultures	10	2.7	37	3.1	919	3.2	1045	3.2
Using self-reflection and self-assessment to guide next directions	10	2.7	37	2.9	921	3.1	1049	3.1

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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	N	Mean
Acquiring deep knowledge in your chosen field of study	9	3.7	35	3.6	872	3.5	994	3.5
Writing effectively	9	3.4	35	3.5	863	3.3	985	3.3
Speaking effectively about ideas, projects, and plans	9	3.6	35	3.5	862	3.5	982	3.5
Critically analyzing the research, technical literature, and/or performance in your field	9	3.4	35	3.4	862	3.2	982	3.3
Identifying important questions in your field	9	3.2	35	3.4	862	3.4	983	3.4
Identifying and using the best methods for answering specific questions in your field	9	3.7	35	3.5	860	3.5	979	3.4
Knowing how to generate original/creative ideas, solutions, and research directions	9	3.3	35	3.2	861	3.4	982	3.4
Knowing how to put research ideas into practice in your field	9	3.2	35	3.3	861	3.2	982	3.2
Understanding ethics and ethical practice in your field	8	3.1	34	3.3	861	3.4	982	3.4
Understanding, evaluating, and using the quantitative methods relevant to your field	9	3.4	35	3.6	863	3.2	982	3.2
Mastering specialized instruments, computer programs, or materials important to your field	9	3.3	35	3.4	865	3.1	986	3.2
Learning independently	9	3.3	35	3.4	857	3.4	978	3.4
Working collaboratively with others within your field	9	3.8	35	3.7	861	3.6	981	3.6
Working collaboratively with interdisciplinary groups	9	3.4	35	3.4	862	3.5	983	3.5
Understanding and valuing diverse people and cultures	9	3.6	35	3.5	864	3.5	985	3.5
Using self-reflection and self-assessment to guide next directions	9	3.4	35	3.3	863	3.4	984	3.4

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Overall UW experience

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

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
The help you received from your graduate thesis (MA/MS graduates) or dissertation (PhD graduates) committee members	8	3.1	35	3.2	830	3.0	943	3.0
The help you received from graduate student colleagues	9	2.9	36	3.3	883	3.2	1003	3.2
The help you received navigating the job market	9	1.9	35	2.3	871	2.4	988	2.4
Your overall learning experience at the UW	8	3.1	34	3.2	874	3.2	993	3.2

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

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
Faculty treated students respectfully - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, sexuality, and country of origin.	9	3.3	36	3.3	886	3.6	1006	3.6
Students in my major treated each other respectfully - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, sexuality, and country of origin.	9	3.6	36	3.6	889	3.6	1011	3.6
Classrooms, labs, and other campus spaces were accessible.	9	2.9	36	3.1	873	3.1	994	3.1
If I had to make my college choice over again, I would choose to attend UW.	9	3.0	36	3.4	891	3.4	1013	3.3

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

	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
How satisfied are you with your overall experience at UW?	9	3.1	35	3.3	870	3.3	989	3.2

Current activity roster

Employed Full Time or Part time

Job title	Employing organization
Principal Director	Govt of India
Inventory forester	Green diamond management company
Arborist	The Watershed Company
Crop Data Analyst	Cornell University
Natural Resource Project Manager	
Forest Service Soil Scientist	
Washington State Lands Forester	WA Department of Natural Resources

Enrolled in Educational Program

Program of study	Institution
Environmental and Forest Sciences	University of Washington
Bio resource science and engineering	University of Washington
Geobotany	Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg