

UW Alumni Survey Results 2020-2021 MASTERS Degree Recipients

Social Work

All Professional

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Graduates Surveyed						
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	52	100%	411	100%	416	100%
Women	45	87%	233	57%	235	56%
Men	7	13%	178	43%	181	44%
African American	6	12%	36	9%	36	9%
American Indian	1	2%	11	3%	11	3%
Asian American	4	8%	62	15%	62	15%
Caucasian	27	52%	172	42%	174	42%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Hispanic/Latino	14	27%	44	11%	47	11%
Other/Not Indicated	0	0%	86	21%	86	21%
International	0	0%	64	16%	64	15%
Survey Response Rates						
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	11	21%	79	19%	82	20%
Women	9	82%	44	56%	45	55%
Men	2	18%	35	44%	37	45%
African American	0	0%	5	6%	5	6%
American Indian	1	9%	5	6%	5	6%
Asian American	1	9%	16	20%	16	20%
Caucasian	7	64%	28	35%	30	37%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Hispanic/Latino	2	18%	9	11%	10	12%
Other/Not Indicated	0	0%	16	20%	16	20%
International	0	0%	10	13%	10	12%
Current Status						
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employed for pay full time	9	82%	63	80%	65	79%
Employed for pay part time	0	0%	2	3%	2	2%
Participating in a volunteer or service program	1	9%	2	3%	2	2%
Serving in the U.S. military	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%
Enrolled in a certificate or degree program	0	0%	3	4%	3	4%
Planning to continue education	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%
Seeking employment	0	0%	6	8%	6	7%
A fellowship	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Not seeking employment or continuing education	1	9%	2	3%	2	2%

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

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employee working for a company or organization	9	100%	57	92%	59	92%
Entrepreneur/self-employed	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Temporary/contract work assignment	0	0%	2	3%	2	3%
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%	2	3%	2	3%
Other	0	0%	1	2%	1	2%

Career related

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Yes	9	100%	56	90%	58	91%
No	0	0%	6	10%	6	9%

Job location

	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	8	89%	46	77%	48	77%
Other Washington	1	11%	6	10%	6	10%
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
California, Hawaii	0	0%	1	2%	1	2%
Mountain states	0	0%	1	2%	1	2%
Central states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Eastern states	0	0%	1	2%	1	2%
International	0	0%	5	8%	5	8%

Type of employer

	N	%	N	%	N	%
For-profit company	0	0%	24	40%	24	39%
Non-profit/NGO	5	56%	11	18%	11	18%
Government	3	33%	22	37%	24	39%
Other	1	11%	3	5%	3	5%

Search time (weeks)

	N					
	4		21		22	
Mean	5.3		12.0		12.9	
SD	6		14		14	
Range	0 13		0 52		0 52	

Salary

	N					
	8		48		50	
Mean	59,920		85,991		84,945	
SD	13,417		41,258		40,737	
Range	38,000 80,000		38,000 318,000		38,000 318,000	

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

	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	1	100%	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%

Serving in the US Military**Service branch**

	N	%	N	%	N	%
Air Force	0	0%	1	100%	1	100%
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%	1	100%	1	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%
Advanced 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	50%	1	50%
Masters (MA/MS) – leading to doctorate	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Doctorate (PhD/EdD)	0	0%	1	50%	1	50%
Professional (JD, MD, DDS, PharmD)	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Non-Degree Seeking	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Postdoctoral Studies	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

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School location

	N	%	N	%	N	%
King, Pierce, Snohomish counties	0	0%	1	50%	1	50%
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%	1	50%	1	50%
Eastern states	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
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%	62	87%	65	88%
No	0	0%	9	13%	9	12%

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	3.7	63	3.4	66	3.4
Writing effectively	9	3.6	63	3.2	66	3.2
Speaking effectively about ideas, projects, and plans	9	3.7	63	3.2	66	3.2
Critically analyzing the research, technical literature, and/or performance in your field	9	3.7	63	3.3	66	3.3
Identifying important questions in your field	9	3.8	62	3.4	65	3.3
Identifying and using the best methods for answering specific questions in your field	9	3.6	62	3.3	65	3.3
Knowing how to generate original/creative ideas, solutions, and research directions	9	3.7	61	3.2	64	3.2
Knowing how to put research ideas into practice in your field	9	3.9	62	3.2	65	3.3
Understanding ethics and ethical practice in your field	9	4.0	62	3.4	65	3.4
Understanding, evaluating, and using the quantitative methods relevant to your field	9	3.9	62	3.3	65	3.3
Mastering specialized instruments, computer programs, or materials important to your field	9	3.0	61	2.9	64	2.9
Learning independently	9	3.7	63	3.3	66	3.3
Working collaboratively with others within your field	9	3.8	63	3.3	66	3.3
Working collaboratively with interdisciplinary groups	8	3.8	62	3.3	65	3.3
Understanding and valuing diverse people and cultures	8	3.9	62	3.4	65	3.4
Using self-reflection and self-assessment to guide next directions	9	3.6	63	3.4	66	3.3

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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	8	4.0	59	3.8	62	3.7
Writing effectively	8	3.9	59	3.6	62	3.6
Speaking effectively about ideas, projects, and plans	7	3.6	58	3.7	61	3.7
Critically analyzing the research, technical literature, and/or performance in your field	7	3.1	58	3.5	61	3.5
Identifying important questions in your field	8	3.8	59	3.6	62	3.6
Identifying and using the best methods for answering specific questions in your field	8	3.6	59	3.6	62	3.6
Knowing how to generate original/creative ideas, solutions, and research directions	8	3.5	59	3.5	62	3.5
Knowing how to put research ideas into practice in your field	8	3.1	58	3.4	61	3.4
Understanding ethics and ethical practice in your field	8	4.0	57	3.7	60	3.7
Understanding, evaluating, and using the quantitative methods relevant to your field	8	3.4	58	3.5	61	3.5
Mastering specialized instruments, computer programs, or materials important to your field	8	3.1	57	3.4	60	3.3
Learning independently	8	3.8	58	3.5	61	3.5
Working collaboratively with others within your field	8	4.0	57	3.8	60	3.8
Working collaboratively with interdisciplinary groups	7	4.0	57	3.7	60	3.7
Understanding and valuing diverse people and cultures	8	4.0	58	3.7	61	3.7
Using self-reflection and self-assessment to guide next directions	8	3.8	57	3.5	60	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	8	3.4	55	3.3	58	3.3
The help you received from graduate student colleagues	8	3.4	58	3.5	61	3.4
The help you received navigating the job market	8	2.6	59	2.4	62	2.4
Your overall learning experience at the UW	8	3.8	58	3.5	61	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.	8	3.8	59	3.8	62	3.8
Students in my major treated each other respectfully - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, sexuality, and country of origin.	8	3.4	59	3.7	62	3.6
Classrooms, labs, and other campus spaces were accessible.	8	3.0	58	3.4	61	3.4
If I had to make my college choice over again, I would choose to attend UW.	8	3.8	59	3.5	62	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	3.7	60	3.4	63	3.4

Current activity roster

Employed Full Time or Part time

Job title	Employing organization
Therapist	Comprehensive Life Resources
Social Work Case Manager	Swedish
Social Service Specialist	The Department of Children, Youth and Families
Clinician	Catholic community services
Out reach responder	Public defenders association
Social worker	DCYF
Program Manager	Friends of Youth
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COD Clinician	Catholic Community Services

Participating in a Volunteer or Service Program

Organization	Role or job title
Auburn Valley Humane Society; Domestic Abuse Women's Network	Cat Care/Cleaner & PAWS Enrichment Assembler; DVI Training Guest Speaker