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2022 Graduate Survey Feedback

A compilation of the data received from the 2022 Northwest University Graduate
Survey

Northwest University Graduate Survey

* indicates a required response

* Required

1. Your full name *

2. Your full name when attending Northwest University (if different from #1)

3. Graduation Year: *

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

2020

2021

4. What was your undergraduate major or graduate program at Northwest University? *

5. While you were a student, did you seek guidance from NU faculty or staff in regard to your next steps (employment, graduate school, etc.)? *

Yes

No

6. If yes (on #5), how satisfied are you with the guidance you received from NU faculty or staff?

Very Satisfied

Satisfied

Not Satisfied

7. [If not satisfied] Please briefly explain why you were not satisfied with the guidance you received.

8. What is your current status? *

Employed

Enrolled in a graduate program

Employed and enrolled in a graduate program

Other (please specify)

[If 8a or 8c is selected]

9. [If employed] What is the full name of your employer? *

10. [If employed] What is your job title? *

11. Are you employed in a field related to your studies at NU? *

Yes

No (by choice)

No (not by choice)

12. [If no, not by choice] Please briefly describe the most important factor that contributed to not being employed in a field related to your studies at Northwest University.

[If 8b or 8c is selected]

13. What is the full name of the institution you are attending for graduate studies?

14. What is the full name of the graduate program you are enrolled in?

For all selections on 8 including 8d

15. How did your experience at Northwest University prepare you for your career and/or your graduate studies? *

Well Prepared

Prepared

Not Well Prepared

16. [If not well prepared] Please briefly explain the way(s) you were not well prepared for your career and/or graduate studies following your experience at Northwest University.

17. Are there job skills you wish you had learned during your time at NU?

18. Is there anything else you would like to share about your experience at Northwest University?

Graduates Surveyed

For this survey, the pool consisted of a total of 623 graduates (bachelors, master's and doctoral degrees) from 2017 and 2021. Two emails were sent to graduates during July 2022 requesting their participation during a three-week period. One \$50 Amazon gift card and five \$25 Amazon gift cards were awarded to randomly selected participants. A total of 36 responses were received, resulting in a 6% response rate.

The participants identified the following as their graduation year:

2017: 8
2018: 2
2019: 1
2020: 1
2021: 22
2022: 2

Participants are asked to indicate their undergraduate major or graduate program. Of 36 responses, 31(86%) indicated completion of an undergraduate degree and 5 (14%) indicated completion of a master's degree. Based on a review of participants' degrees, a total of 6 students (17%) who completed the survey were part of a COEE program. All of those students completed an undergraduate degree through a COEE program.

Specific undergraduate majors and graduate programs identified by participants are included below.

Undergraduate majors

BA in Accounting	1
BA in Business Administration	1
BA in Business Management	2 (COEE)
BA in Communication Studies	2
BA in Contemporary Music Industry	1
BA in Elementary Education	1
BA in English	3
BA in Interdisciplinary Studies	2
BA in Management	1
BA in Marketing	2
BA in Ministry Leadership	1 (COEE)
BA in Organizational Management	1 (COEE)
BA in Pastoral Ministries	3
BA in Public Safety Administration	1 (COEE)
BA in Psychology	3 (1 through COEE)
BA in Secondary Education	1
BS in Biology	1
BS in Exercise Science	1
BS in Nursing	3

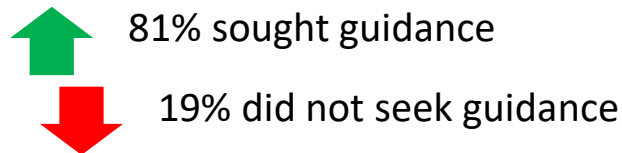
Graduate programs

MA in Bible and Theology	1
MA in International Community Development	1
MA in Ministry Leadership	1
MA in Missional Leadership	1
PhD in Organizational Leadership	1

Results from the survey are summarized in the following pages.

Guidance from NU faculty or staff

Out of 36 responses, 29 participants (81%) said that they sought guidance from NU faculty or staff in regard to next steps (employment, graduate school, etc.), while 7 individuals (19%) did not seek guidance.



Among graduates with an undergraduate degree, 26 (84%) individuals indicated they sought guidance, while 5 (16%) graduates responded that they did not seek guidance. Of the 5 students responding no, 3 students were in COEE programs.

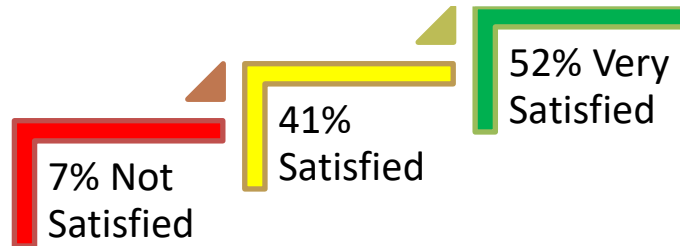
Among graduates with a graduate degree, 3 (60%) individuals indicated they sought guidance, while 2 (40%) graduates responded that they did not seek guidance.

The responses by College (graduates who marked yes) are included below:

	Undergraduate	Graduate
Buntain College of Nursing	1/3 (33%)	NA
College of Arts and Sciences	10/10 (100%)	NA
College of Business	5/5 (100%)	NA
College of Education	2/2 (100%)	NA
College of Ministry	3/3 (100%)	2/3 (67%)
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences	2/2 (100%)	1/1 (100%)
Center for Online and Extended Education	3/6 (50%)	NA
Center for Leadership Studies	NA	0/1 (100%)

Satisfaction with guidance

Of the 29 graduates who sought guidance in regard to next steps from NU staff or faculty, 15 participants (52%) said that they were very satisfied, 12 individuals (41%) were satisfied, and 2 participants (7%) said they were not satisfied.



Among the 26 graduates with an undergraduate degree who indicated they sought guidance, 12 participants (46%) said that they were very satisfied, 12 individuals (46%) were satisfied, and 2 participants (8%) said they were not satisfied.

Among the 3 graduates with a graduate degree who sought guidance, all participants (100%) said that they were very satisfied.

The responses by College (graduates who sought assistance and indicated very satisfied/satisfied/not satisfied) are included below:

	Undergraduate	Graduate
Buntain College of Nursing	1/0/0	NA
College of Arts and Sciences	3/5/2	NA
College of Business	0/5/0	NA
College of Education	1/1/0	NA
College of Ministry	3/0/0	2/0/0
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences	1/1/0	1/0/0
Center for Online and Extended Education	3/0/0	NA
Center for Leadership Studies	NA	NA

Current status

Of responses, graduates selected the following statuses:

- Employed: 30 (83%)
- Employed and Enrolled in a Graduate Program: 1 (3%)
- Enrolled in a Graduate Program: 2 (6%)
- Other: 3 (8%)
 - Changing careers: 1
 - Retired and teaching Bible: 1
 - Unemployed: 1

The responses from graduates with undergraduate degrees (31) were the following:

- Employed: 26 (84%)
- Employed and Enrolled in a Graduate Program: 1 (3%)
- Enrolled in a Graduate Program: 2 (6%)
- Other: 2 (6%)
 - Changing careers: 1
 - Unemployed: 1

The responses from graduates with graduate degrees (5) were the following:

- Employed: 4 (80%)
- Other: 1 (20%)
 - Retired and teaching Bible: 1

The responses by College (graduates who indicated employed/employed and enrolled in a graduate program/enrolled in a graduate program/other) are included below:

	Undergraduate	Graduate
Buntain College of Nursing	3/0/0/0	NA
College of Arts and Sciences	8/0/1/1	NA
College of Business	5/0/0/0	NA
College of Education	1/1/0/0	NA
College of Ministry	2/0/1/0	2/0/0/1
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences	2/0/0/0	1/0/0/0
Center for Online and Extended Education	5/0/0/1	NA
Center for Leadership Studies	NA	1/0/0/0

Employer and title

Responses from participants are organized by college and degree level.

Buntain College of Nursing (Undergraduate)

Evergreen Health, NICU Nurse

Swedish Edmonds, Registered Nurse

University of Washington Medical Center, Registered Nurse

College of Arts and Sciences (Undergraduate)

Agriculture, Agricultural Worker

Family, Nanny

Kirkland Life Chiropractic, Front Desk

Secret Harbor, Foster Care Licensor/Recruiter

World Relief, Behavior Health Specialist

College of Business (Undergraduate)

Costco Wholesale, Accounting Analyst III

Northwest University, Accounts Receivable

Northwest University, Marketing Project Manager

Samson Rope Technologies, Marketing Assistant

College of Education (Undergraduate)

McMinnville School District, Librarian Assistant

College of Ministry (Undergraduate)

Cedar Park Kenmore, Associate Pastor

New Life Church Renton, Central Worship Pastor

College of Ministry (Graduate)

Acme Presbyterian Church, Lead Pastor

Canvas Church, Pastor

Reach Church, Youth Lead

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences (Undergraduate)

KinderCare Learning Centers, Lead Preschool Teacher

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences (Graduate)

We Clean Local, Chief Marketing Officer

Center for Online and Extended Education (Undergraduate)

City of Mercer Island, Police Commander

Edward Jones, Branch Office Administrator

Mt Calvary Christian Center, Executive Director of Women Affairs

Newlife Church, Lead Pastor

Center for Leadership Studies (Graduate)
 Microsoft, Learning and Development Leader

Employment and NU studies

25 individuals responded to Question 11. 18 participants (72%) indicated that they were employed in a field related to their major or program, 6 participants (24%) indicated that they were employed in a field unrelated to their major or program by choice, and 1 participant (4%) indicated they were employed in an unrelated field, not by their choice.



Among the 21 graduates with an undergraduate degree who responded to this question, 15 participants (71%) indicated they were employed in a field related to their major, 5 individuals (24%) marked they were in a field unrelated to their major by choice, and 1 participant (5%) said they were employed in an unrelated field not by choice.

Among the 4 graduates with a graduate degree who responded to this question, 3 participants (75%) indicated they were employed in a field related to their major, 1 individual (25%) marked they were in a field unrelated to their major by choice, and no participants said they were employed in an unrelated field not by choice.

The responses by college (graduates who indicated employed in a field related to major/employed in a field unrelated to major by choice/employed in unrelated field not by choice) are included below:

	Undergraduate	Graduate
Buntain College of Nursing	3/0/0	NA
College of Arts and Sciences	3/3/0	NA
College of Business	3/1/0	NA
College of Education	1/0/0	NA
College of Ministry	2/0/0	2/0/0
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences	1/0/0	0/1/0
Center for Online and Extended Education	2/1/1	NA

Center for Leadership Studies	NA	1/0/0
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Institutions and graduate programs

Participants identified the following institutions and graduate programs in which they are enrolled. Responses are organized by college and degree level.

College of Arts and Sciences (Undergraduate)

Washington State University Elson Floyd College of Medicine, Medical School

College of Education (Undergraduate)

Emporia State University, MS in Mathematics, Graduate Teaching Assistant

College of Ministry (Undergraduate)

Liberty University, Master of Divinity

Center for Online and Extended Education (Undergraduate)

University of Arizona, MS in Healthcare Management

Preparation

31 participants responded to this question. 13 participants (42%) said that their NU experience prepared them well for their career and/or graduate studies, 15 participants (48%) said that their NU experience prepared them, and 4 (13%) said that they were not well prepared. Of the graduates who responded, 90% indicated they were prepared or well prepared for their career and/or graduate studies.

Of the 26 participants with an undergraduate degree who responded to this question, 8 (31%) said that their NU experience prepared them well for their career and/or graduate studies, 14 participants (54%) said that their NU experience prepared them, and 4 (15%) said that they were not well prepared.

Of the 5 participants with a graduate degree who responded to this question, all 5 (100%) said that their NU experience prepared them well for their career and/or graduate studies, with no participants saying that their NU experience prepared them or that they were not prepared.

The responses by college (well prepared/prepared/not prepared) are included below:

	Undergraduate	Graduate
Buntain College of Nursing	1/2/0	NA
College of Arts and Sciences	2/3/3	NA
College of Business	0/3/0	NA
College of Education	0/1/1	NA
College of Ministry	2/1/0	3/0/0

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences	0/1/0	1/0/0
Center for Online and Extended Education	3/3/0	NA
Center for Leadership Studies	NA	1/0/0