

Subject: December 2012, Graduation Survey Report

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The information contained in this report was obtained from the December, 2012 graduates participating in the December, 2012 graduation ceremony held in the CFSB center on December, 15. Two-hundred four surveys were collected from students that morning.

Academic College representation:

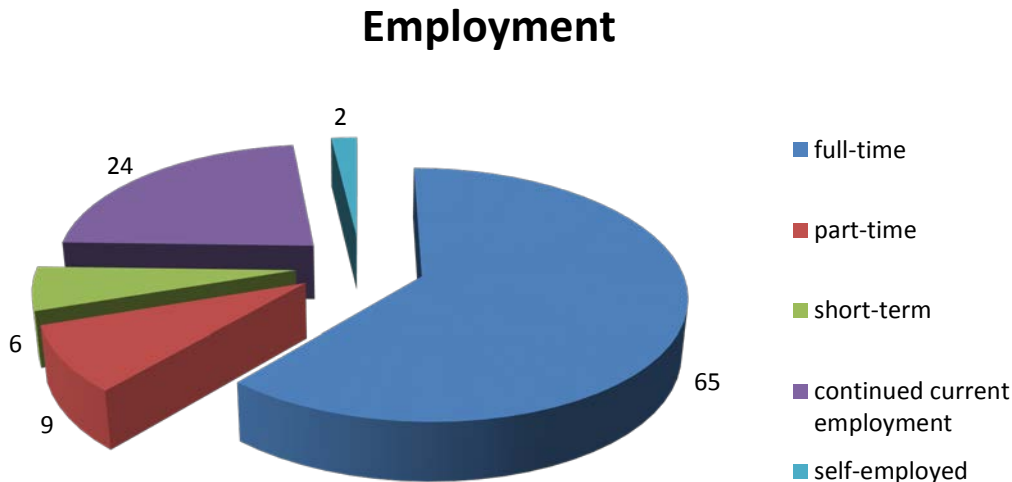
<u>Colleges</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Arthur J. Bauernfeind College of Business	35	17
College of Education	41	20
College of Health Sciences and Human Services	32	16
College of Humanities and Fine Arts	30	15
College of Science, Engineering and Technology	13	6
Hutson School of Agriculture	22	11
School of Nursing	9	4
Did not answer	<u>22</u>	<u>11</u>
Total	204	

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Bachelor's degree	135	66
Master's degree	39	19
Specialist degree	3	1
Did not answer	27	13

The December graduates were provided a shortened survey. Therefore some elements that were tracked are unavailable for this report. Examples include the types of degrees, e.g., Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Science in Agriculture or Masters of Fine Arts, Masters of Arts in Education were not tracked for this graduating cohort.

Graph 1 Employment: Several employment descriptions were available to the respondents. Those graduates who answered that they had accepted full-time, part-time, short term or

continuing employment along with those indicating that they were self-employed were counted as employed. A total of one-hundred and six or fifty-two percent of those responding were counted as employed:



A list of companies, locations and job titles is provided in the appendix of this report.

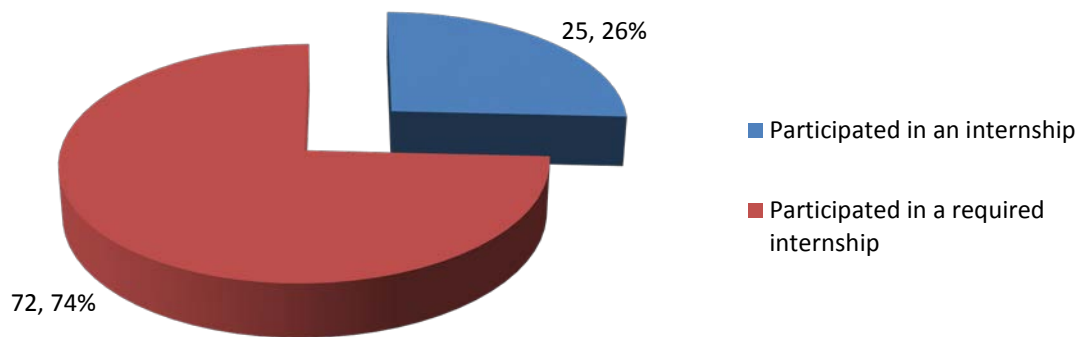
Average salary and signing bonus: The students were asked to provide their annual salary. In addition, the survey also asked if a signing bonus was offered and if so the amount. Forty-nine students provided this information. Two reported an hourly wage which was re-calculated to an annual salary. The average salary was \$40,896.16. The range of salaries was \$86,500.00 to \$6,000.00. The May, 2012 survey found an average salary of \$38,371.27.

There were only two signing bonuses for the December graduates compared to eight for the May, 2012 graduates. Those two signing bonuses were \$1,000.00 and \$6,000.00.

Graph 2A Internship: The survey asked two questions related to students participation in experiential learning opportunities. The first question asked if students participated in an internship while they were attending Murray State. The second question asked if they participated in an academically required on/off-campus experiential education opportunity.

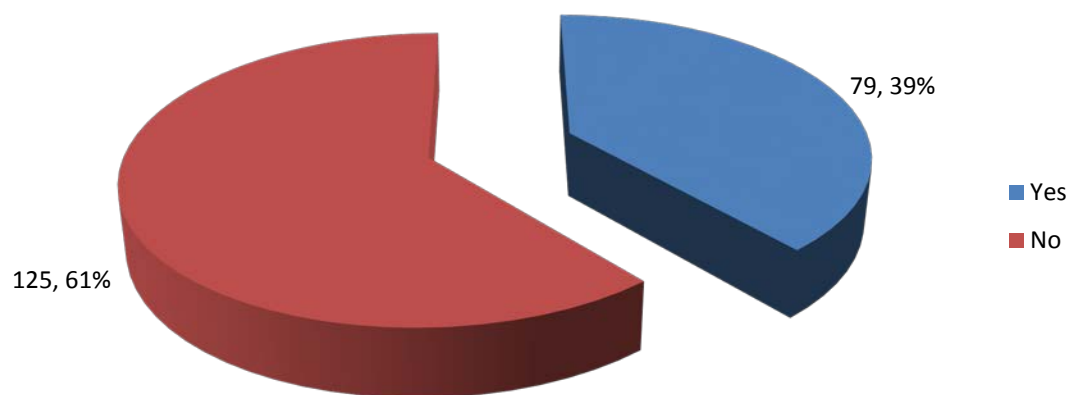
Ninety-seven or forty-seven percent of the total number of respondents indicated that they had participated in an internship.

Internship participation



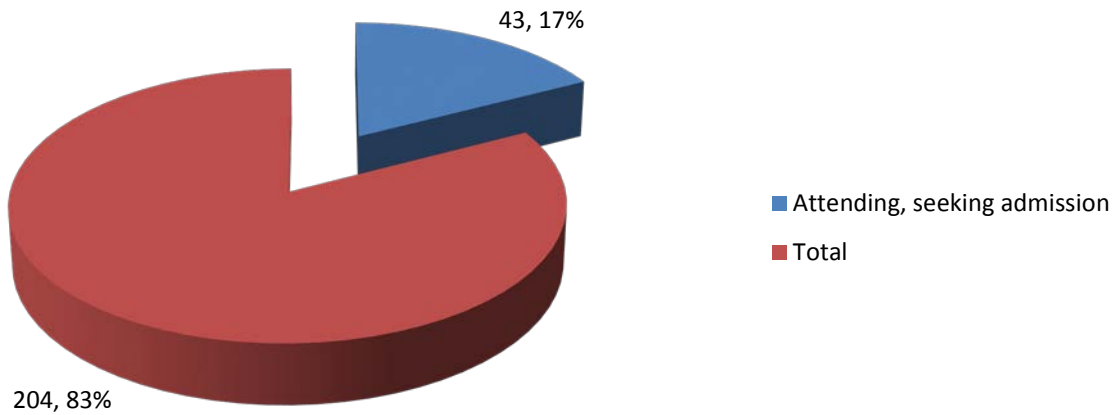
Graph 3 Job related to academic preparation:

Is your job related to your academic preparation?



Graph 4 Graduate school: The following graph shows the number of students who are already planning on attending graduate school and those who are seeking graduate school admission.

Graduate school



A list of graduate schools is provided in the appendix of this document.

This survey asked students if they were pursuing additional coursework, i.e., post-baccalaureate courses, certifications and language study were used as examples. Only four students indicated that they were going to take additional coursework following graduation.

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Appendix A: Company names, locations, department and job title

<u>Organization</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>St</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Title</u>
Archer Daniels Midland	Montgomery City	MO	Agri Management	Grain Terminal Operations Manager
ARK	Evansville	IN		
Audubon Area Community Services	Owensboro	KY		Resource FALPA
Berry Plastics				
Binghampton Community Church	Memphis	TN		Student Minister
Brasfield & Gorrie	Aiken	SC		Asst. Safety manager
Brasfield & Gorrie	Columbus	OH		Safety Manager
Briggs and Stratton	McDonough	GA	Assembly	Area Manager
Caterpillar Inc.	Peoria	IL	IT	IT analyst
			Environmental Management	
Chevron	Houston	TX	Company	Project Manager
Chevron	Houston	TX	Safety	Safety Specialist
Chicago Bridge and Iron	Woodlands	TX	Steel Plate Structures	
Chicago Bridge and Iron	Houston	TX		
Christian County Board of Education	Hopkinsville	KY		Teacher
CSI	Elizabethtown	KY	Nupoint SEG	Software Engineer
Culvers	Murray	KY		Crew Chief
Culver's	Murray	KY		Crew member
Cumberland Hall Hospital	Hopkinsville	KY	Clinical Services	Child Therapist
Depart of Corrections	Paducah	KY	Probation	Investigator
Don Agro Sciences	Indianapolis	IN		
Elseview, Inc.	Maryland Heights	MO	Marketing	Coordinator
ESL	Murray	KY		ESL instructor
Exel Inc.	Eddyville	KY	Quality control	Lab Tech
Food Giant	Murray			Produce
Four Rivers Behavioral Health	Murray	KY		Clinical Practitioner
Fulton Ind Schools	Fulton	KY		Teacher

Gerdau	Calvert City	KY	OSH	Safety Manager
Glisson Winery	Paducah	KY		Sales
Gourmet Your Way LLC	Jackson	TN	Catering	Manager
Graves County Board of Ed	Mayfield	KY		Teacher
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Henderson Co. Schools	Henderson	KY	NMS	LBD Teacher
Heritage Bank	Hopkinsville	KY		Teller
Honeywell	Metropolis	IL		Tech support
Irvington Animal Clinic	Irvington	KY		Vet Tech
JCPenny	Hopkinsville	KY		
JD Tuit Management	Clinton	KY		Superintendent
Jefferson County Public Schools	Louisville	KY		
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Jones Plastics and Engineering	Louisville	KY	Accounting	
KPMG	Memphis	TN	Audit	Staff
Kroger	Frankfort	KY		Management
KY ARNC	Murray	KY		
Lourdes Hospital	Paducah	KY	ICU	RN
McGarity Flying Service	Sikeston	MO		
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Medical Center	Bowling Green	KY	Med Surg	RN
MSU HSOA	Murray	KY	HSOA	Grad Assistant
Muhlenberg County Schools	Greenville	KY		Teacher
Murray Ledger and Times	Murray	KY		Staff Writer
Murray State	Murray	KY		
Murray State	Murray	KY	Dining Services	
Murray State	Murray	KY	Human Resources	Admin Assist
Murray State Small Business Dev	Murray	KY		Admin Assist
NAPA Auto Parts	Wickliffe	KY		Counter sales
National Wild Turkey Education			Field Staff	
Northwestern Mutual	Paducah	KY		
O'Charley's	Paducah	KY		
Paducah City Schools	Paducah	KY	Head Start	Teacher
Paducah Independent Schools	Paducah	KY		
Parkes Companies	Franklin	TN	Site Development	Asst. Project manager
Parkway Regional Hospital	Fulton	KY	Case Management	RN

Sds and Shears Grooming	Murray	KY		
Shawnee Community College	Metropolis	IL	Adult Educator	GED Teacher
Sherwin Williams	Paducah	KY	Manager trainee	Asst. Store Manager
Shogun	Murray	KY		Waitress
Slayden Farms	Clinton	KY		Farmer
Spencer County School Dist.	Taylorsville	KY		
State Farm	Paducah	KY		Agent
SWECO	Florence	KY		Mechanical Engineer
Turner Construction				Asst. Safety Supervisor
University of Louisville Hospital	Louisville	KY	Neuro ICU	RN
UPS	Louisville	KY	Process Improvement	COOP
US Air Force				Survival Specialist
US Bank	Hopkinsville	KY		
Western Baptist Hospital	Paducah	KY	NICU	RN
Western Baptist Hospital	Paducah	KY	Emergency Dept.	RN
WKCTS and Lourdes Home Care	Paducah	KY		Instructor

Appendix B: Graduate schools and degrees

Graduate School	Degree	Field
?	Neuroscience	
Kentucky State	TESOL	
Murray State	Agronomy	
Murray State	MBA	
Murray State	Biology	
Murray State	School Counseling	
Murray State	TESOL	
Murray State	History	
	Human Development and	
Murray State	Learning	
Murray State	MBA	
Murray State	Agri Ed	
Murray State	History	

Murray State	Agriculture	
Murray State		
Murray State	Teaching	
Murray State	Agr	
Murray State	Music	
Murray State		
Murray State	Counseling	
Murray State	MBA	
Murray State	OSH	
Murray State	Education	
Murray State	MBA	
Murray State	MBA	
Murray State	Speech Pathology	
Northern Illinois Univ	MBA	Accountancy
Univ of Illinois	Civil Engineering	
Univ Southern Indiana	Social Work	
Univ Southern Indiana	Social Work	
University of North Dakota	Nursing	