

Class of 2017

POSTGRADUATE **REPORT**



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2017 POST GRADUATE REPORT

The Career Center at Westfield State University provides statistical reports to measure effectiveness, evaluate performance and promote transparency. Our purpose in capturing first destination, post-graduate information and compiling this report is to provide meaningful data that prospective students, parents, employers, the University administration and the community can utilize.

Our goal was to analyze a representative sample of graduates in calendar year 2017 to determine the post-graduation career and graduate school activities of individuals one year after graduation. We have continued to rely only on direct survey responses or in-person data collection for our report, trusting the accuracy of this data versus that based on knowledge rate. As expected, from those whose contact information we were able to secure; we experienced an increase, for a fourth straight year, to a 30% response rate and expect this pattern to continue in our next report. The data collected in this survey indicated that 84% percent, of those graduates who responded to the survey, are either employed full time or attending graduate school. Also, approximately 18% percent of this group was engaged in public sector or non-profit employment, reflecting Westfield State University's mission of assisting students to develop intellectually and to use their knowledge and skills to improve the social and economic conditions in their communities.

It is exciting to see the wide range of professional activities of these new graduates. Members of the University community have worked diligently to guide and support these individuals during their undergraduate years. It is satisfying to see the outcome of these efforts as students launch their professional careers or pursue advanced study in a wide range of fields and industries.

We are pleased to present our 2017 Post Graduate Report. Using a systematic and comprehensive approach for gathering career related data, we can examine our progress with students over time and guide future efforts on behalf of students and alumni.

This project, compiled and managed by the Career Center, was truly a collaborative campus-wide effort, working closely with colleagues from Information Technology. We hope that you find this report to be informative and beneficial.

Sincerely,

Junior Delgado
Director, Career Center

REPORT OVERVIEW

The 2017 Post-Graduate Report was compiled by the Westfield State University Career Center. Graduate information was obtained via an online survey, email, or through direct contact with Career Center staff beginning in January of 2018. Throughout the next year, the Career Center continued to reach out to the graduates of 2017, while continuing to invite them to participate in the survey.

Information gathered regarding employment, graduate studies and related factors provided very interesting and significant analyses when compiling this data.



WHAT ARE THE 2017 GRADUATES DOING?

84% WORKING
FULL-TIME OR IN
GRADUATE SCHOOL



74% FULL-TIME
EMPLOYMENT



19% IN
GRADUATE
SCHOOL



8% BOTH
EMPLOYED AND IN
GRADUATE SCHOOL



4% SEEKING
EMPLOYMENT



10% PART-TIME
EMPLOYMENT

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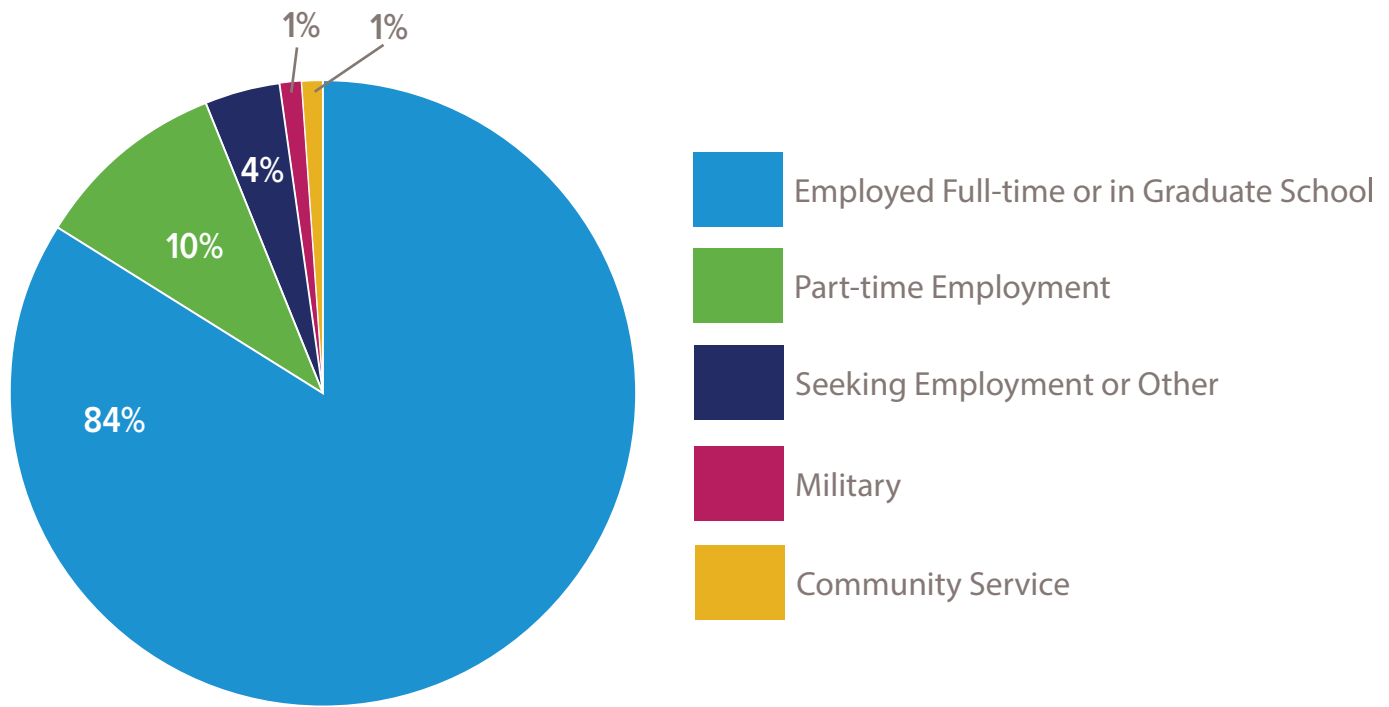
85% OF THOSE EMPLOYED
INDICATE CAREERS RELATED
TO THEIR MAJOR

18% REPORTED EMPLOYMENT
IN THE NON-PROFIT SECTOR

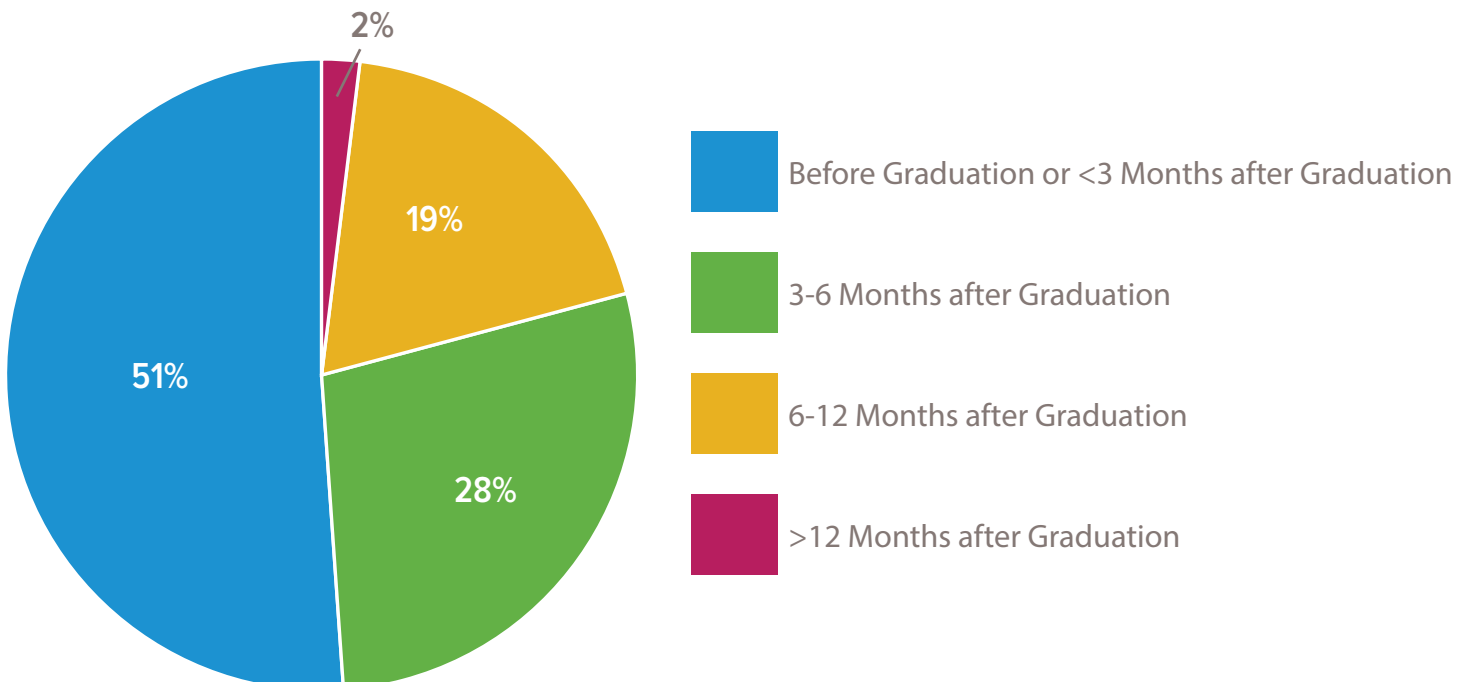
70% PARTICIPATED
IN AN INTERNSHIP

EMPLOYMENT

What is the class of 2017 doing?

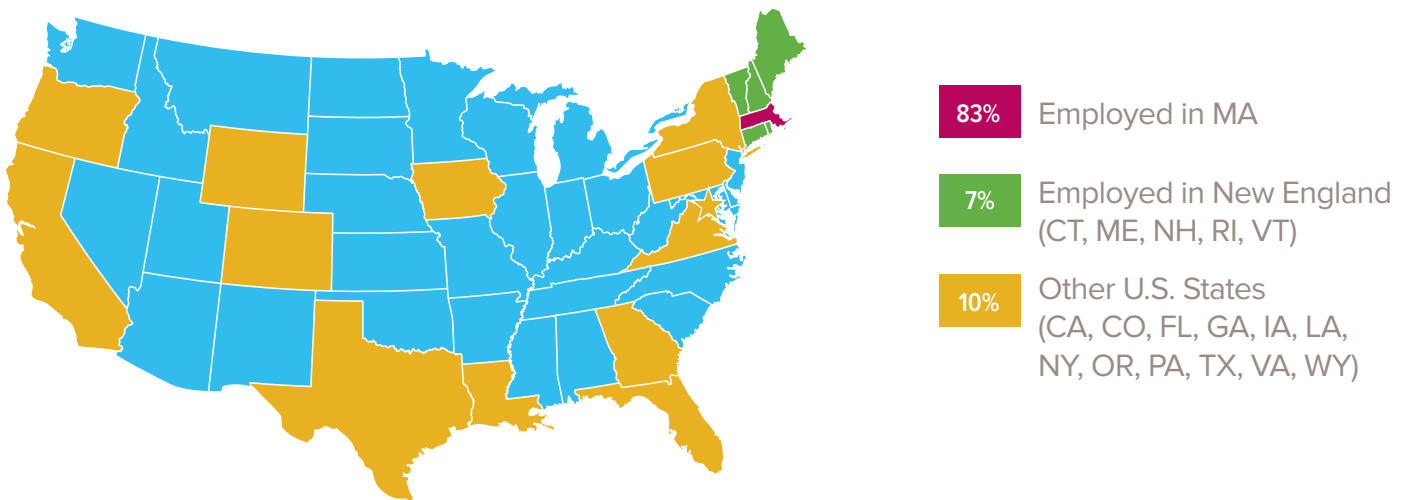


When did they obtain employment?



EMPLOYMENT

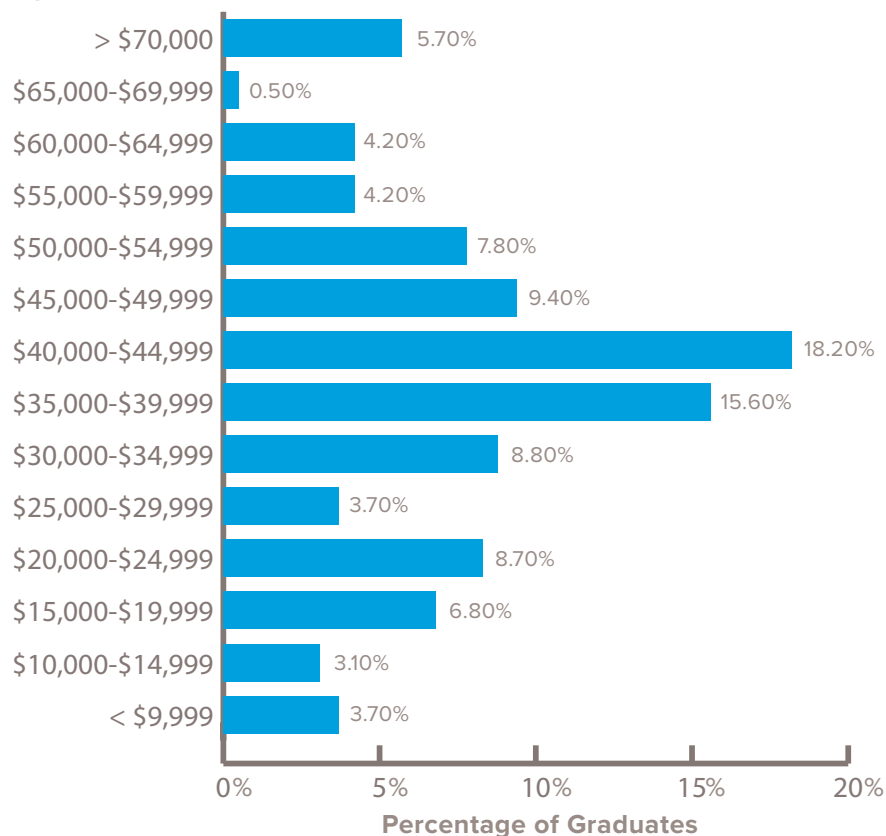
Destinations



Salaries

Respondents reporting employment provided the following salary information:

Salary Breakdown



EMPLOYMENT

Industries

What industries are most represented for employing our graduates?

Education	21.11%
Health Care & Pharmaceuticals	18.09%
Government, Non-profit	11.56%
Finance & Financial Services	7.54%
Telecommunications, Technology, Internet & Electronics	7.04%
Business Support & Logistics	5.53%
Advertising & Marketing	4.52%
Retail & Consumer Durables	4.02%

Entertainment & Leisure	3.50%
Construction, Machinery and Homes	3.02%
Insurance	2.01%
Automotive	1.51%
Manufacturing	1.51%
Real Estate	1.01%
Utilities, Energy, and Extraction	1.01%
Agriculture	0.50%
Food & Beverages	0.50%

Employers (Representative Sample)

Westfield State University graduates listed employment at the following:

Abbvie Bioresearch Center	Beacon ABA Services	Consolidated Marketing Services
ABC Supply	Behavioral Concepts, Inc.	Copyright Clearance Center
Abington Public Schools	Beverly Hospital	David Douglas School District
Accelerated Strength and Balance	Behavioral Health Network	Definitive Healthcare
Actifio	Bierman ABA	MA Department of Children and Families
Acton-Boxborough Regional School District	Biogen	Department of Justice
American International College	Boston Medical Center	Designs for Health
American Repertory Theatre	Bullhorn - Staffing Software	DigiStream Investigations
American Youthworks/Louisiana Conservation Corps	Bureau of Land Management	Dzian Gallery
Americorps	Cape Cod Commission	Eastham Police Department
Arbella Insurance	Cape Cod Hospital	Education Outside
Army National Guard	Cataldo Ambulance, Inc	Elite Detective Services
ATI Physical Therapy	CCBC	FC Urgent Care
Aucocisco School	Central MA Regional Planning Commission	Enterprise Holdings
Bay State Community Services	City of Easthampton	Ethos Risk Services
Bay State Physical Therapy	City of Worcester	Financial Partners, Inc.
Baystate Academy Charter Public School	Community Charter School of Cambridge	Florence Bank
Baystate Medical Center	Community Health Programs	Framingham State University
	Concord Police Department	Freshwater Wetland Services

EMPLOYMENT

General Digital Corporation
General Dynamics
Granite Telecommunications
Greenfield Commonwealth
Virtual School
Guaetta and Benson, LLC
Hampden County District
Attorney's Office
Hampshire College
Harmeling Physical Therapy
HealthSouth New England
Rehabilitation Hospital
HealthSouth Braintree Rehabilitation
Hospital at Framingham
Holbrook Public Schools
Holyoke Public Schools
Homeland Security
iHeart Media
Iowa National Guard
J. Calnan & Associates
J.P. Morgan
Justice Resource Institute
Kessler McGuinness & Associates
Key Program, Inc.
Landry & Arcari
La-Z-Boy Furniture Galleries
Liberty Travel
Limelight Productions
Lionbridge Technologies
Longwood Symphony
Lowell Community Health Center
Ludlow Department of Public Works
Ludlow Public Schools
Mass Eye and Ear Infirmary
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
Massachusetts General Hospital
MassMutual Insurance Company
May Institute
MedExpress
MEDITECH
Merrimack College
Methuen Public Schools
MGM Springfield
Middlesex District Attorney's Office
Millville Elementary School
MountainOne Bank
MVP Visuals
National Park Service
NBM, Inc.
New Bedford Public Schools
New York Sports Club
Newburyport Public Schools
Newton Public School
Norfolk District Attorney's Office
Office of the Attorney General
Ondrick Natural Earth
Paulo Freire Social Justice
Charter School
Physical Therapy North
Pittsfield High School
Polish National Credit Union
Providence Behavioral Health Hospital
Provincetown Police Department
Real Estate Media Services
Reebok
Regeneron
Rumney Marsh Academy
Saco Police Department
Saint Mary's High School
Salem Public Schools
ScribeAmerica
Seres Therapeutics
Shakespeare and Company
Simon Property Group
Six Flags New England
SMCPA, LLC
Snowbound Software
Spaulding Rehabilitation Network
Springfield Central High School
Springfield Public Schools
Staples
SUEZ-NA
Suffield by the River
Sullivan and Folan, LLC
TD Bank
Teach for America
The Channel Company
The Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod
The Hartford
The Here & Now
The Hershey Company
The Home Depot
The MacDuffie School
The Mentor Network
The MET School
The United Arc
TJX Companies
Town of Braintree
Uhaul, Inc.
United States Air Force
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
University of North Texas
Venly
Virginia Institute of Marine Science
Visiting Angels of the Berkshires
Voya Financial
Waltham High School
Washburn House
Waste Management, Inc.
Way Finders
Wayfair
Wellfleet Police Department
WellStar Atlanta Medical Center
West Chester University of PA
Westfield Bank
Westfield State University
Weston and Sampson Engineers
Wilmington Public Schools
Wolf and Company
Zoo New England

GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Graduate Schools (Representative Sample)

Westfield State University graduates indicated attending the following schools:

Approximately 19% of the graduates indicated that they are currently pursuing graduate degrees

Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences	Salem State University
American International College	Salve Regina University
Bay Path University	Simmons College
Bridgewater State University	Smith College
Bunkerhill Community College	Southern New Hampshire University
Cambridge College	Springfield College
Elms College	Tufts University
Fitchburg State University	University of Hartford
Florida State University	University of Massachusetts
Framingham State University	University of Massachusetts Lowell
John Hopkins University	University of New England
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences	University of North Texas
Merrimack College	Walden University
Northeastern University - School of Law	West Chester University of PA
Northeastern University	Western New England University
Roger Williams University - School of Law	Westfield State University



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CAREER CENTER

The Career Center strives to assist students and alumni in finding success in employment, educational advancement and career management. The center provides a myriad of programs and services, extensive web resources and its technology based “Handshake” students can utilize to take that next step.

Services available include:

- Career Development Advising
- Job and Internship Resources
- Career and Graduate School Fairs
- Professional Networking Events
- Job and Internship postings
- Graduate School Advising
- Interview Preparation - Mock interviews
- Classroom Presentations
- Resume/Cover Letter Development
- On/Off-campus Employer Engagement



CAREER CENTER

62% said they visited
the **CAREER CENTER**
or participated in a **CAREER CENTER
SPONSORED PROGRAM**
while at **Westfield State University**



Career Center Fast Facts:

- 1485 Student Appointments
- 69 Classroom Presentations
- 2 Career Fairs
- 18 Career Chats
- 4 Career Talks
- 11 Majors/5 Professional Networking Nights
- 2 Career Strategies Seminars for Educators
- 1 Law Enforcement Career Prep Seminar
- 2 Career Center Open Houses
- 6,362 Jobs Posted
- 699 Internships Posted
- 274 Companies/Organizations Brought to Campus
- 5 Career Fair Collaborations



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