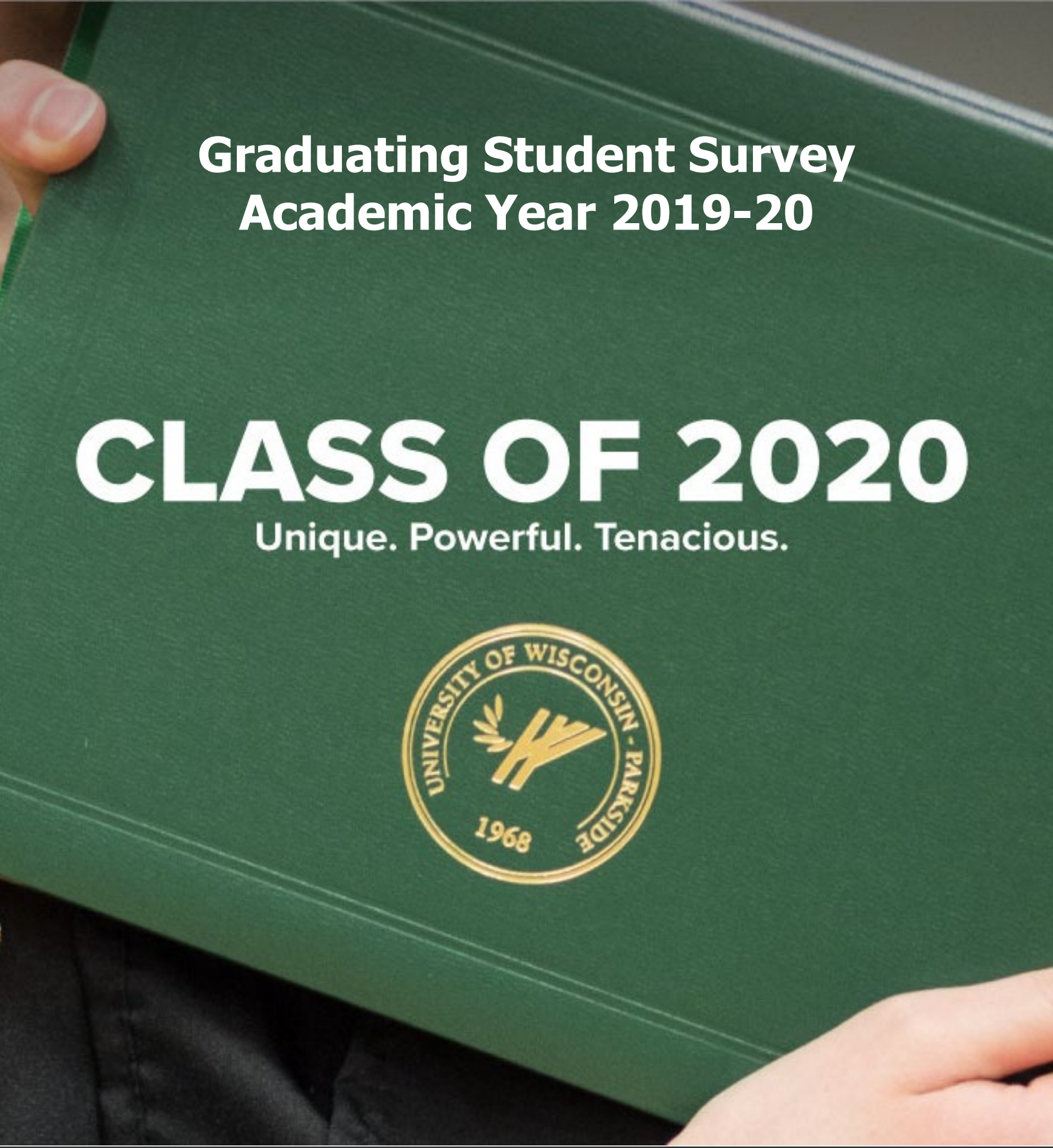
Graduating Student Survey
Academic Year 2019-20



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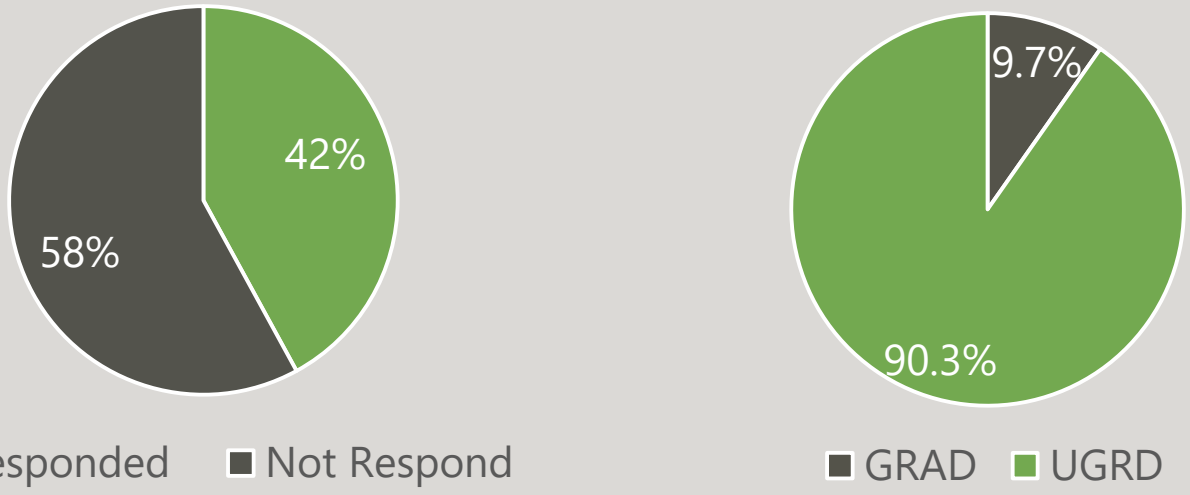
OVERVIEW

The Graduating Student Survey collects information about our graduating students—their employment plans, education plans, and their opinions about their level of achievement in various skills through their program at UW-Parkside.

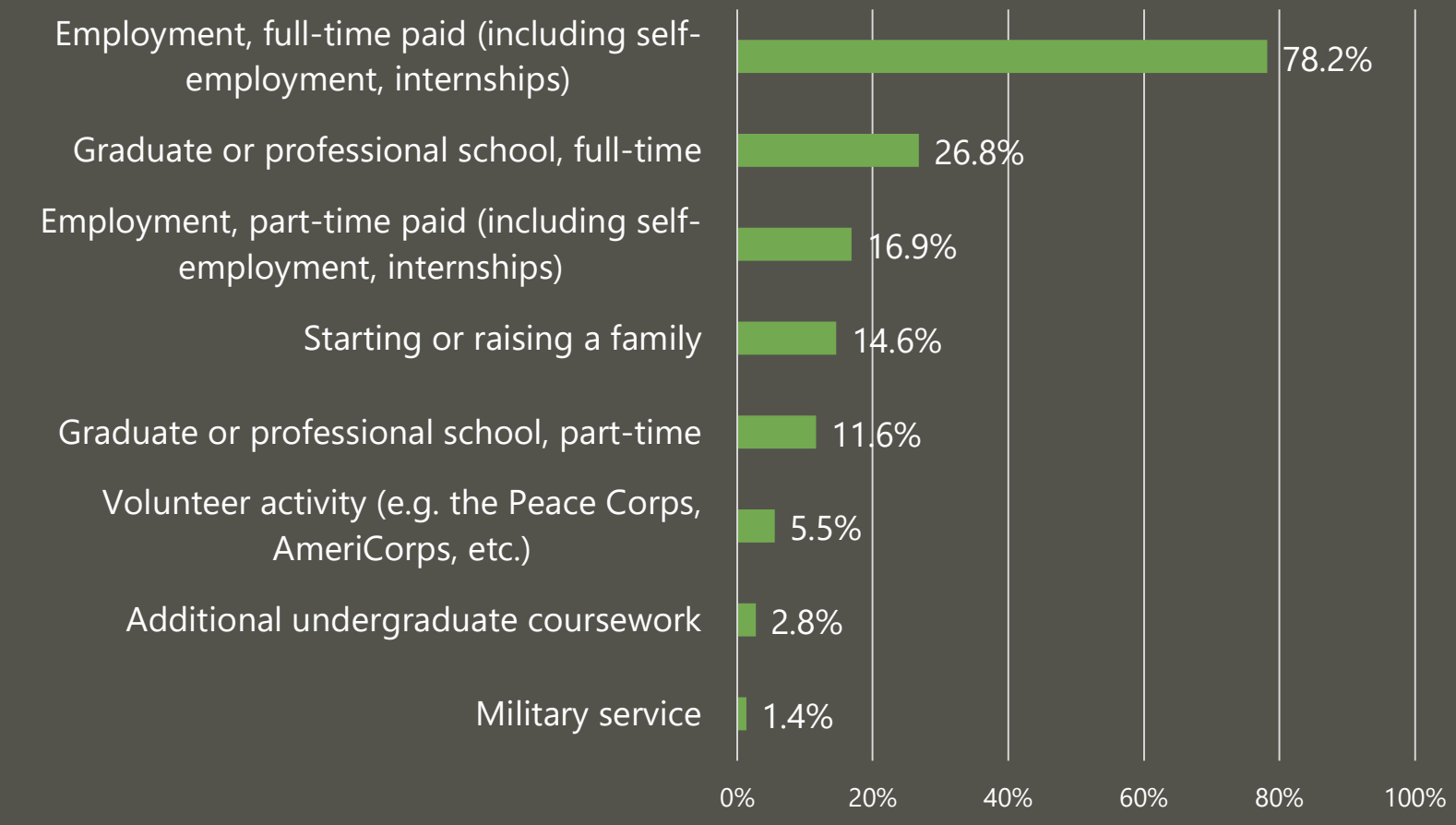
A total of 861 students, who graduated in Summer 2019, Fall 2019, and Spring 2020 were contacted and the survey was made available through each student's SOLAR account. A total of 362 (42%) graduating students, including both 326 (90.3%) Undergraduates and 36 (9.7%) Graduates responded to the survey. This report presents the data collected from the survey.



Term	Total Graduates	Respondents	Response Rate
Summer 2019	76	10	13.2%
Fall 2019	297	132	44.4%
Spring 2020	488	220	45.1%

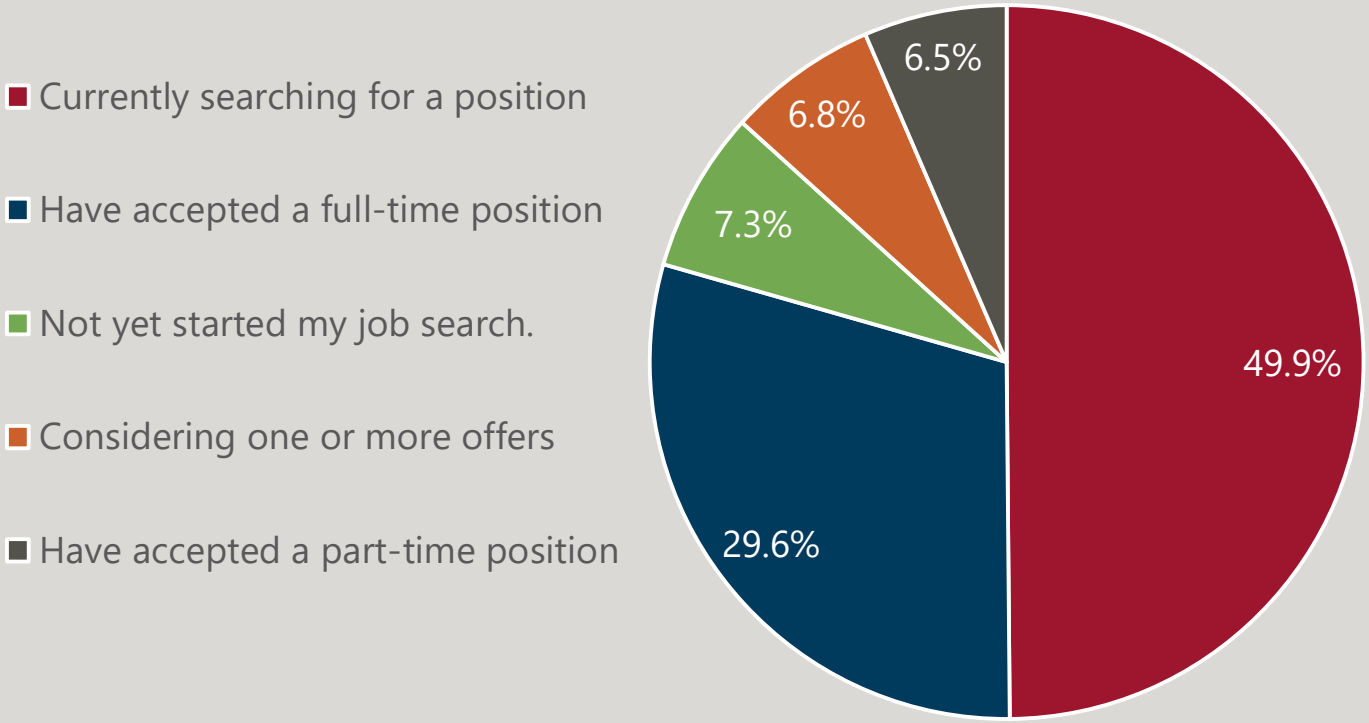
POST GRADUATION PLANS

What is MOST LIKELY to be your principal activity (or activities) upon graduation? *Note: students may select more than one option*



EMPLOYMENT PLANS

Which of the following best describes your employment plans at this time?



49.9% are CURRENTLY SEARCHING for a position

29.6% have ACCEPTED A FULL-TIME position

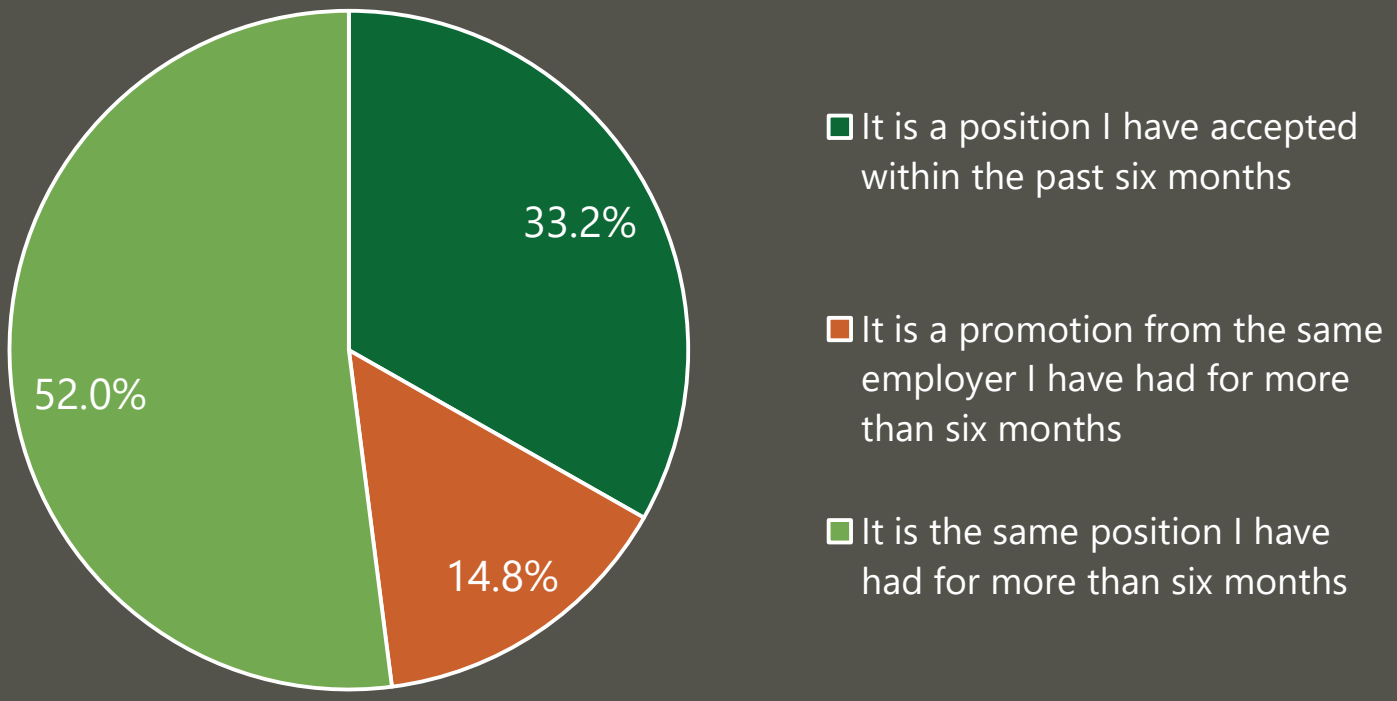
7.3% have NOT YET STARTED their job search

6.8% are CONSIDERING one or more offers

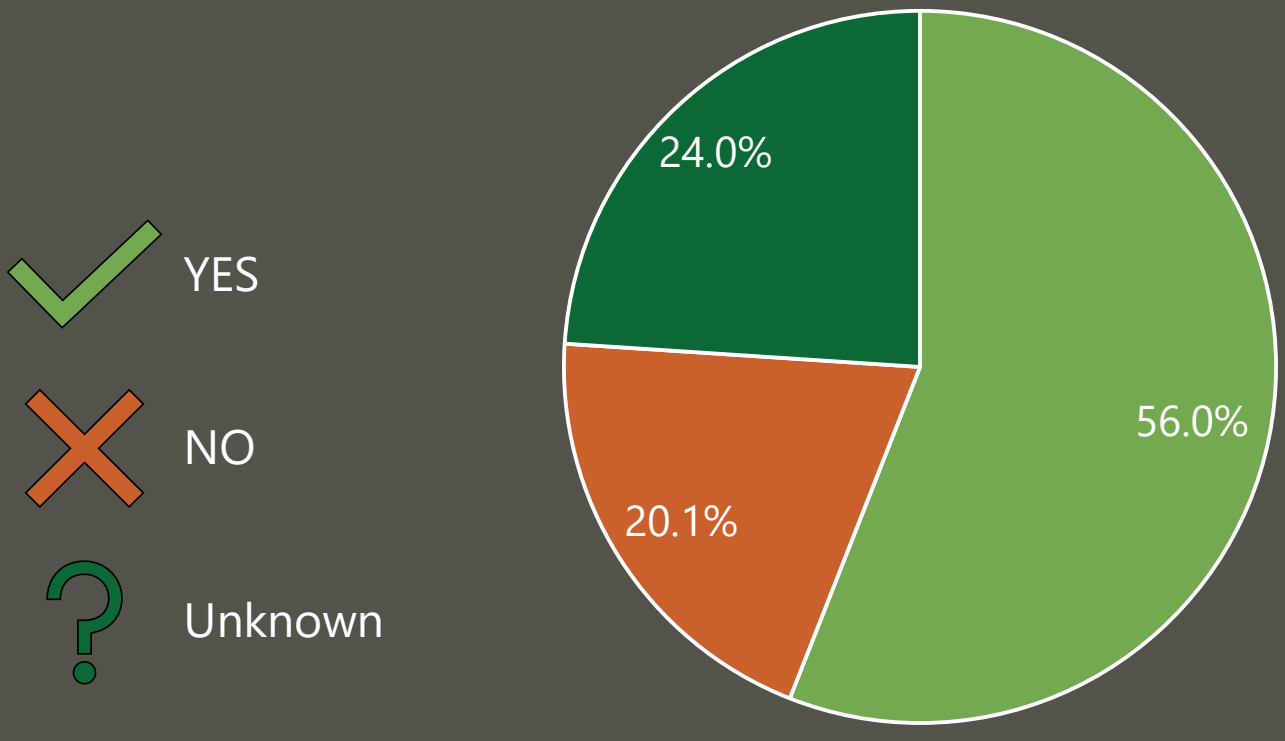
6.5% have ACCEPTED A PART-TIME position

EMPLOYMENT PLANS

Which of the following best describes the position you have accepted?



Do you plan/expect to work in WI?



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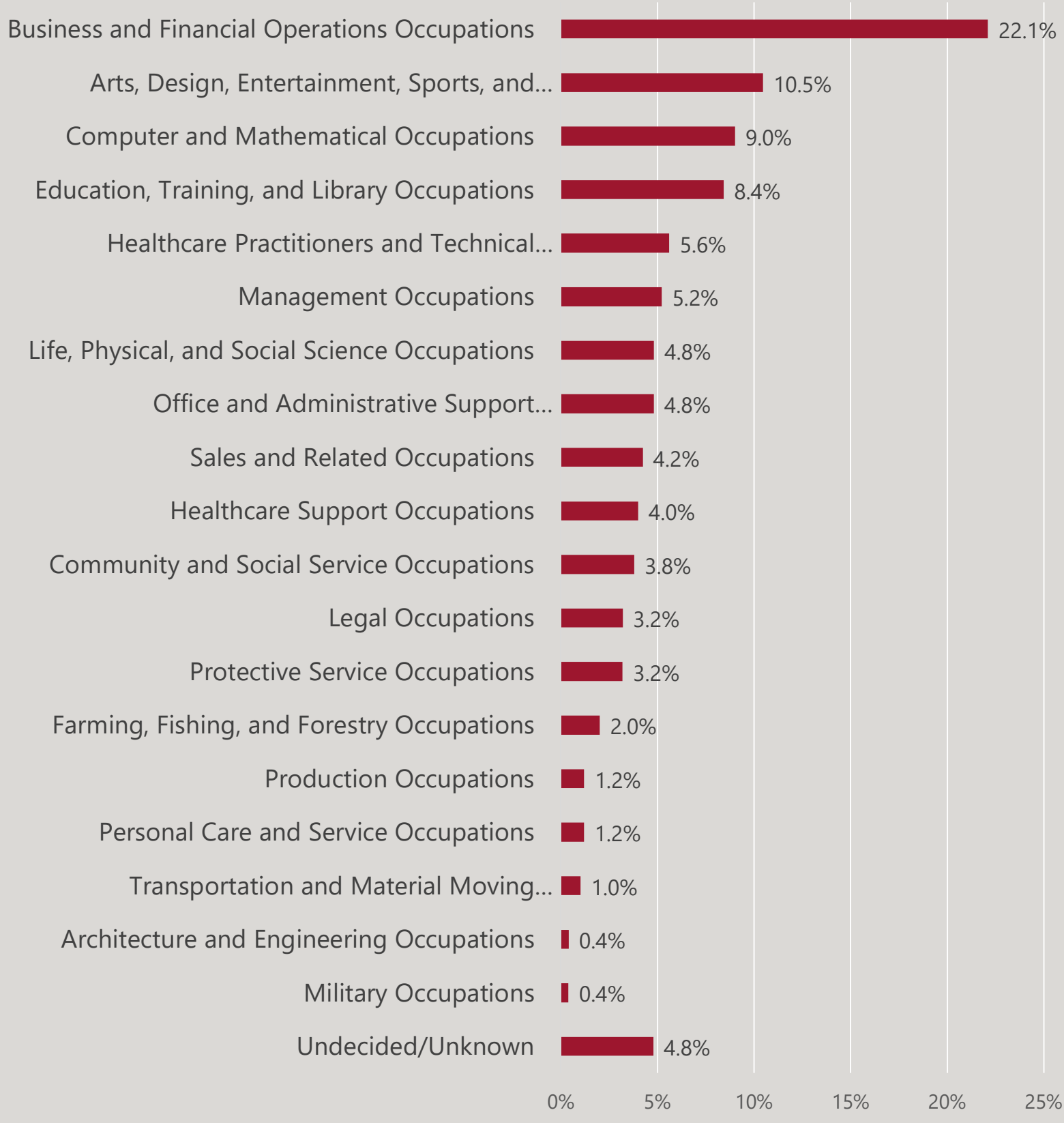
What occupation best describes the position you have accepted or are seeking?

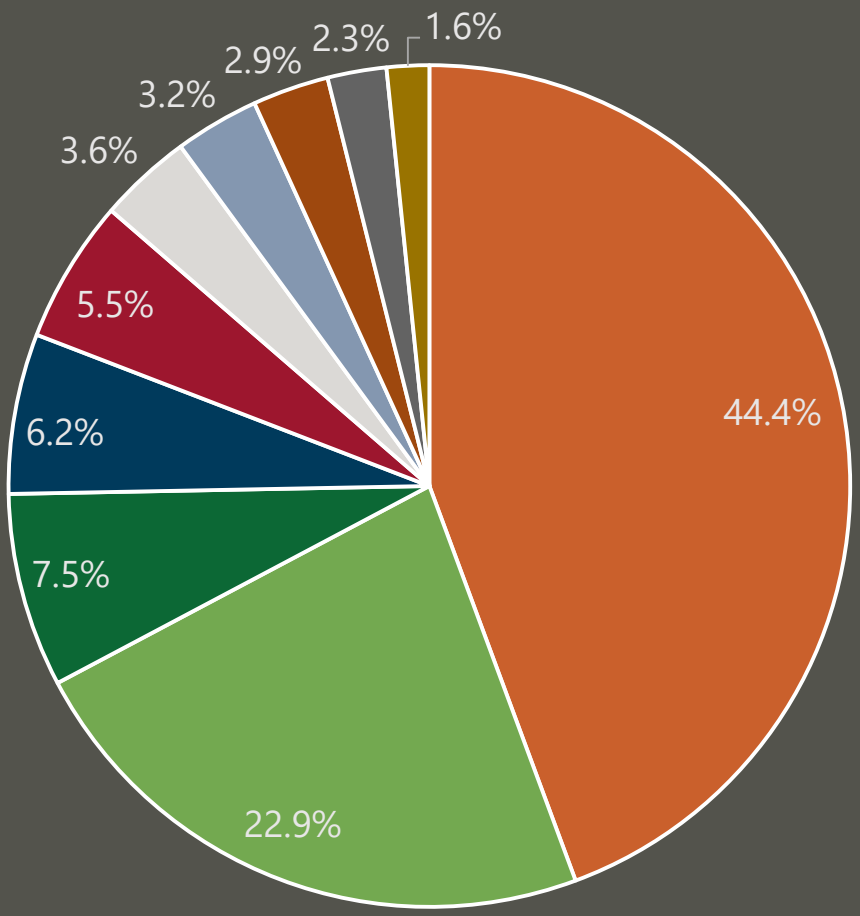


EMPLOYMENT PLANS

For those who have accepted a position:

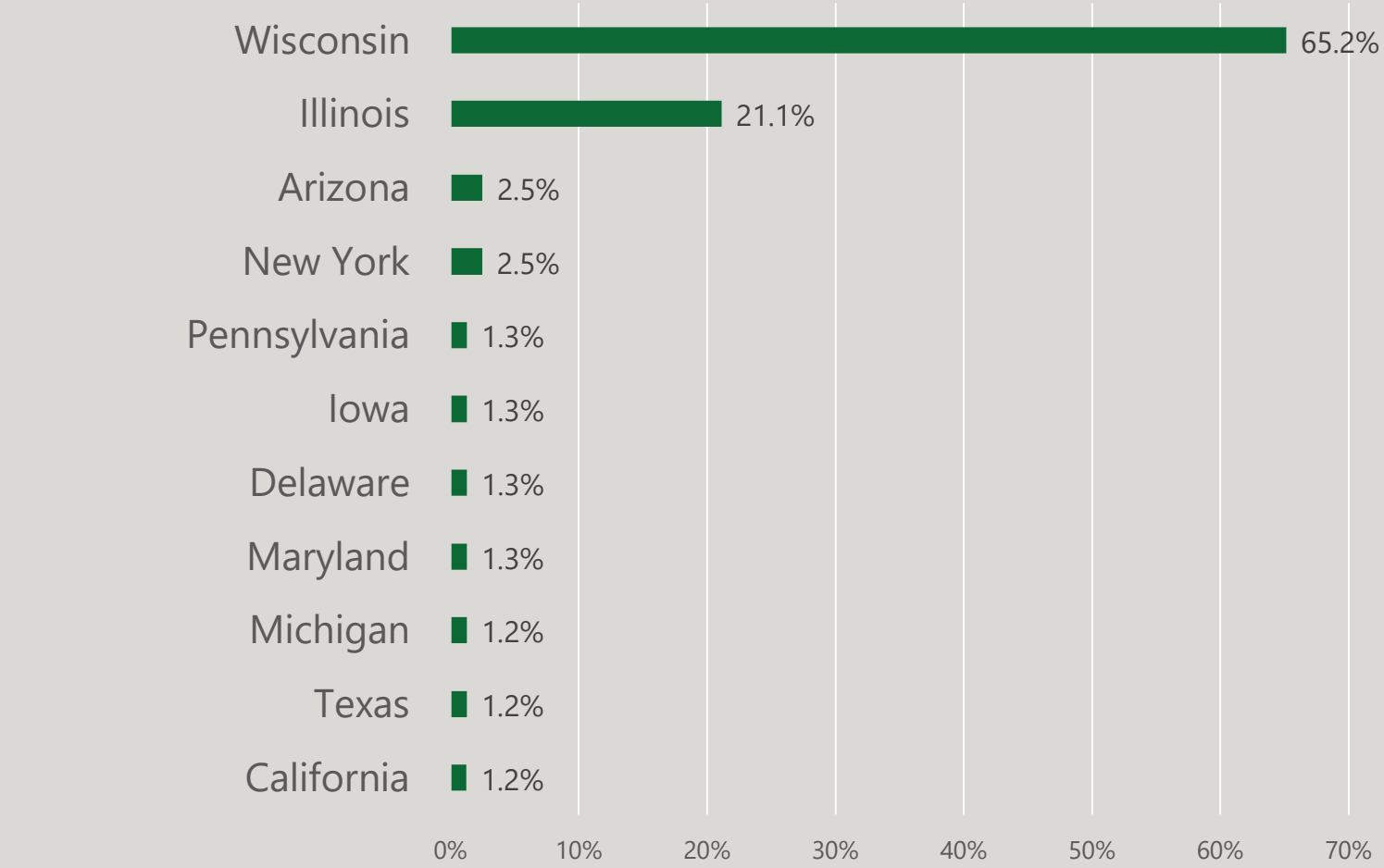
What type of organization or sector will you work in?

- Private for-profit corporation/company/group
- Undecided/Unknown
- Public or private K-12 education
- State government (excluding public education)
- Local government (excluding public education)
- Self-employed in own business, professional practice, or farm
- Not-for-profit tax exempt or charitable organization
- Other
- Federal government
- Public or private post-secondary education



EMPLOYMENT PLANS

For students who have already accepted a position:
Where is your anticipated work location?



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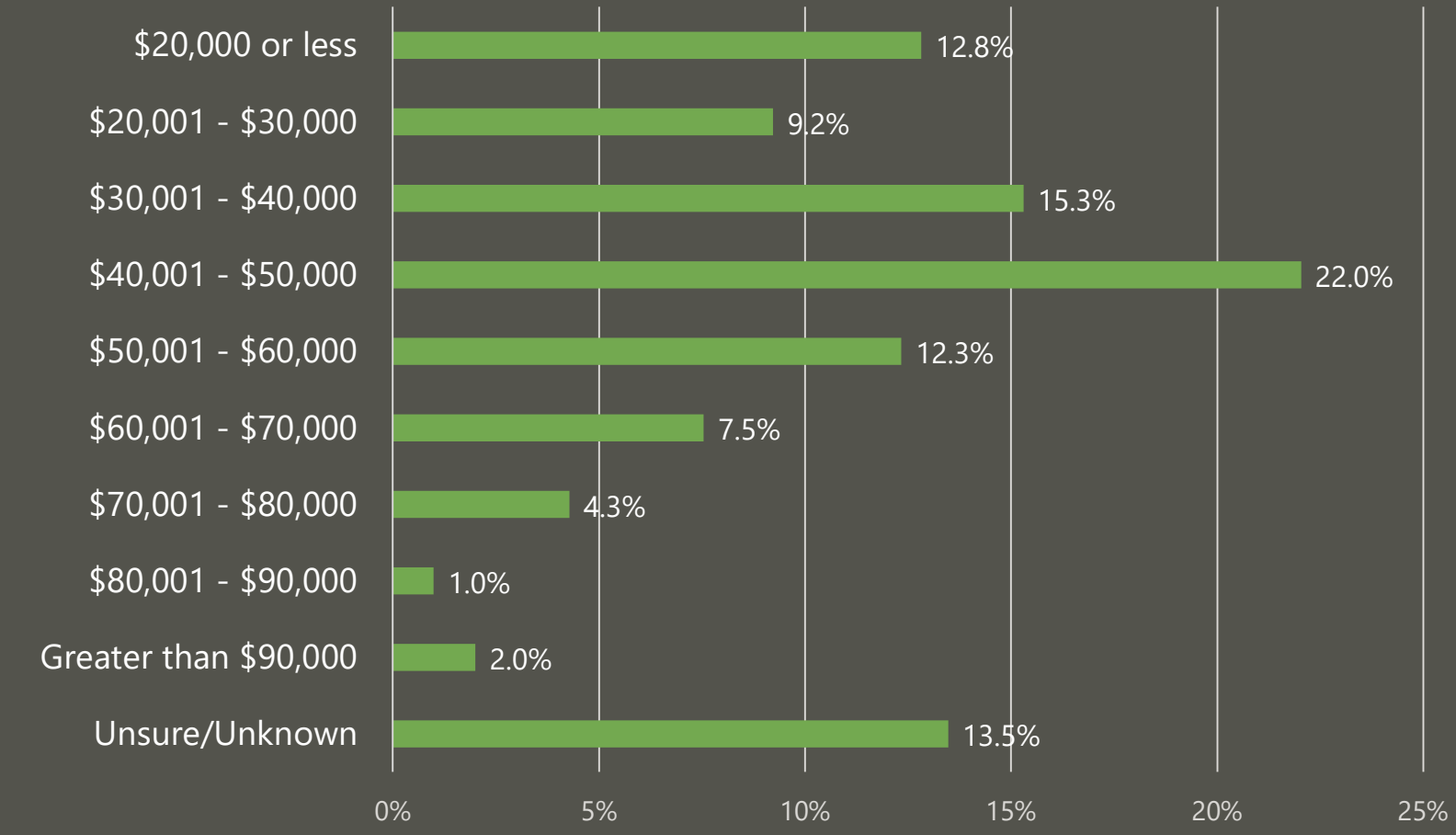
For those who have already accepted a position:
What is your estimated annual income?

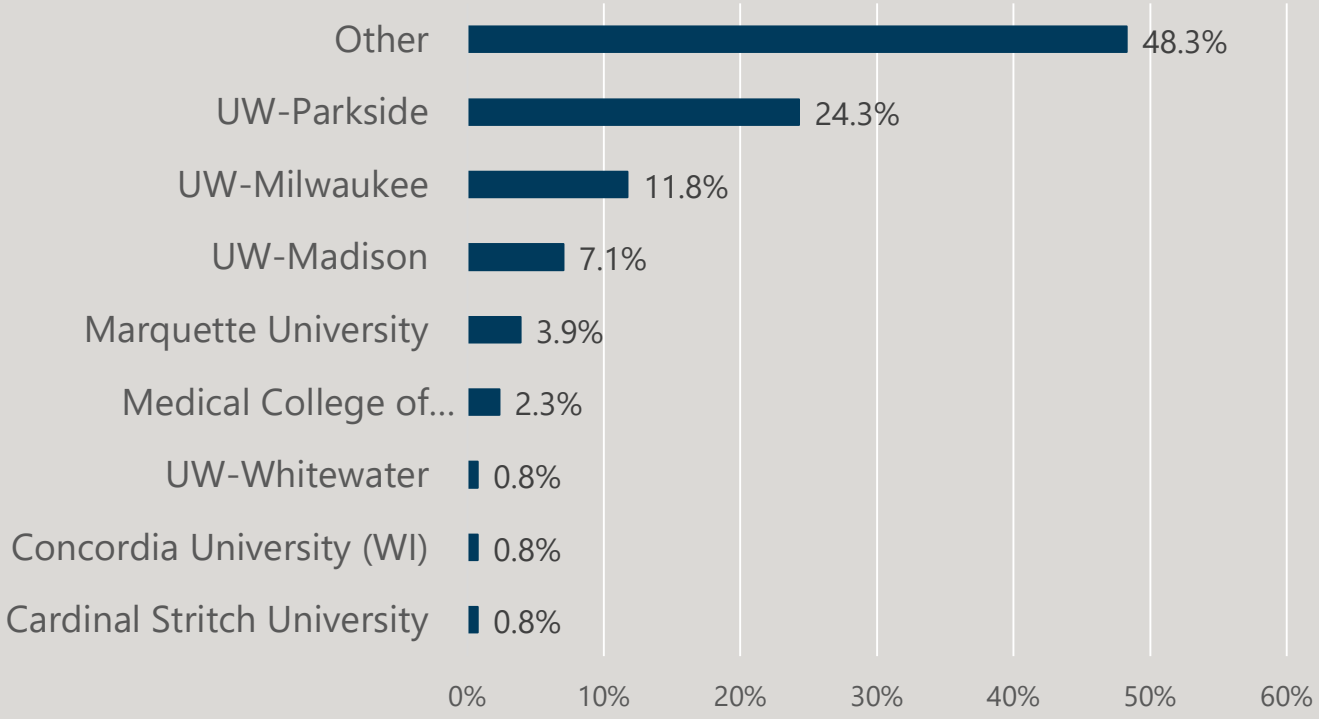


GRADUATE SCHOOL PLANS

36.2% of students included attending graduate school (full or part-time) as one of their principle activities upon graduation.

We asked: What college/university are you planning to attend for graduate school?

Note: Students may select more than one option



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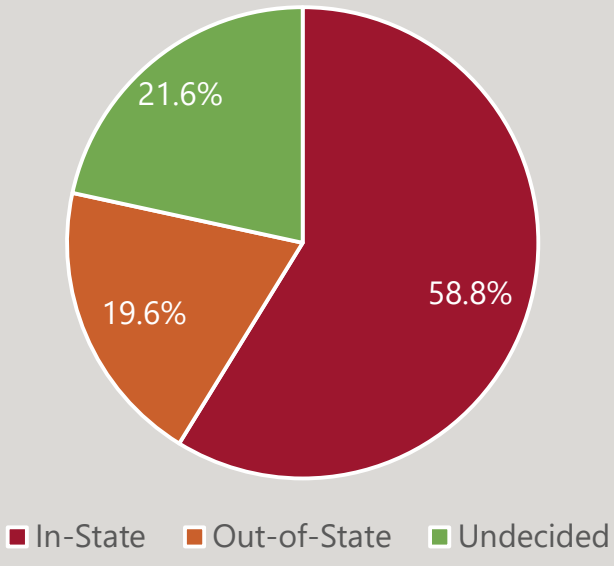
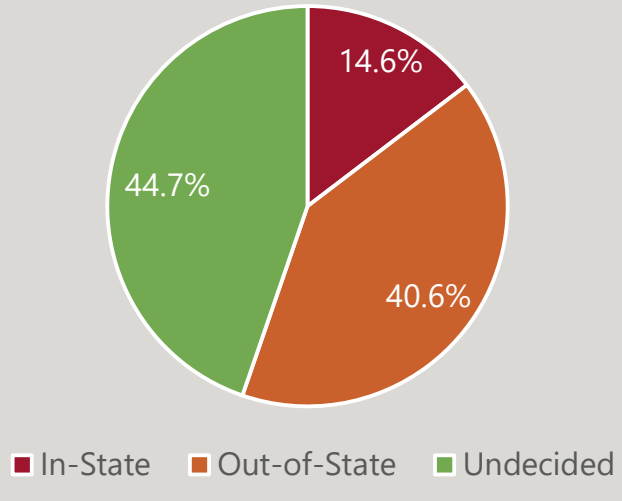


In-State/Out-of-State Breakdown (Respondents who selected 'Other')



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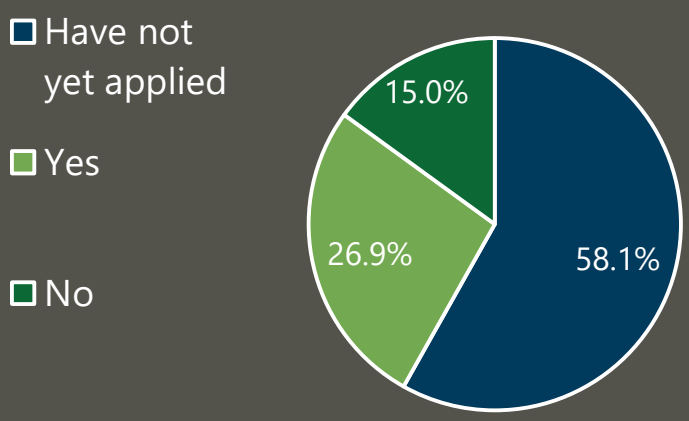
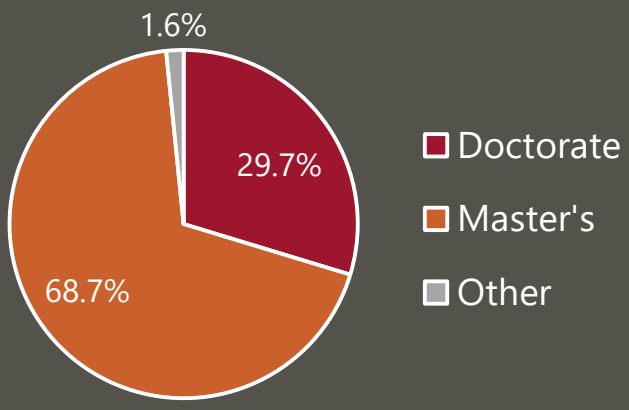
Have you already been accepted to that institution?



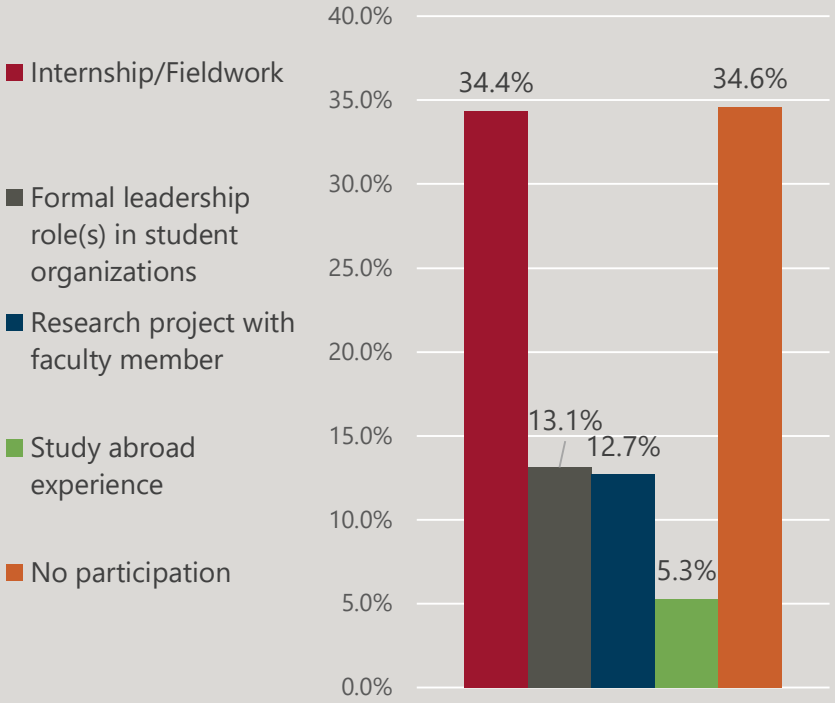
What degree(s) do you intend on pursuing in Graduate school?



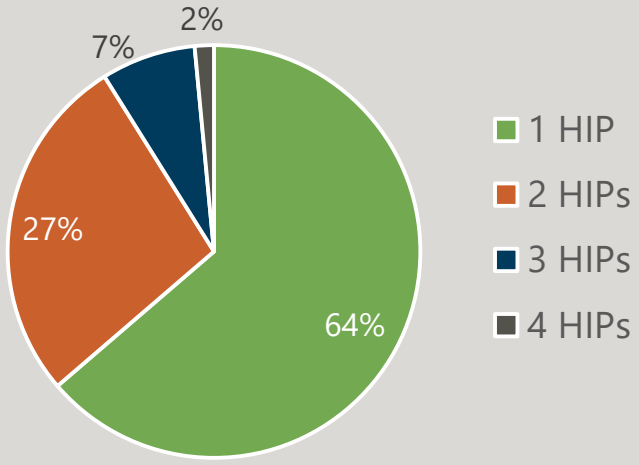
Top 5 Masters Degrees	N	Top 5 Doctorate Degrees	N
Master of Science (M.S.)	32	Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)	7
Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)	26	Doctor of Medicine (M.D.)	6
Master of Arts (M.A.)	14	Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.)	5
Master of Social Work (M.S.W.)	7	Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)	4
Master of Education (M.Ed.)	6	Doctor of Occupational Therapy (O.T.D.)	3
Other	11	Juris Doctor (J.D.)	3
		Other	9

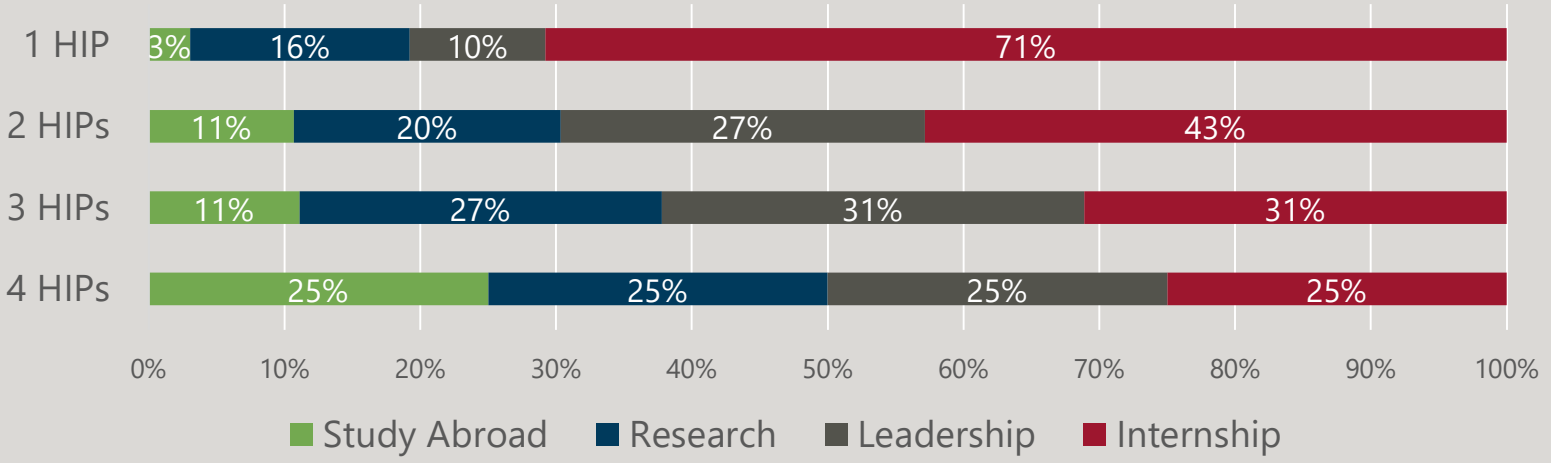
HIGH IMPACT PRACTICES

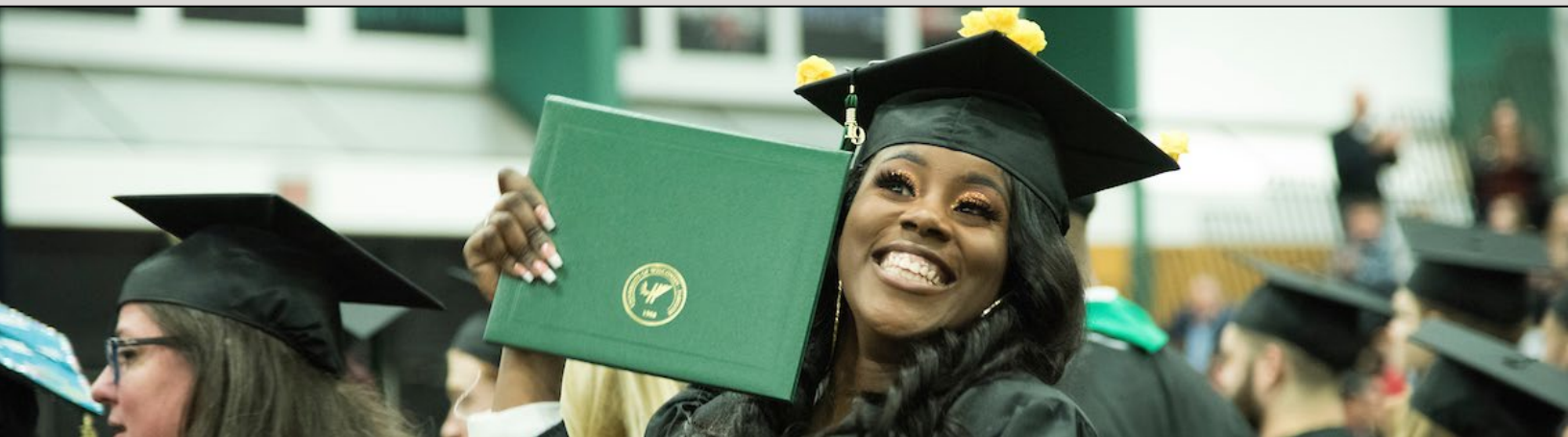
Did you participate in any of the following activities while you were a student at UW-Parkside?



Number of HIPs students participated in throughout their college career at UW-Parkside







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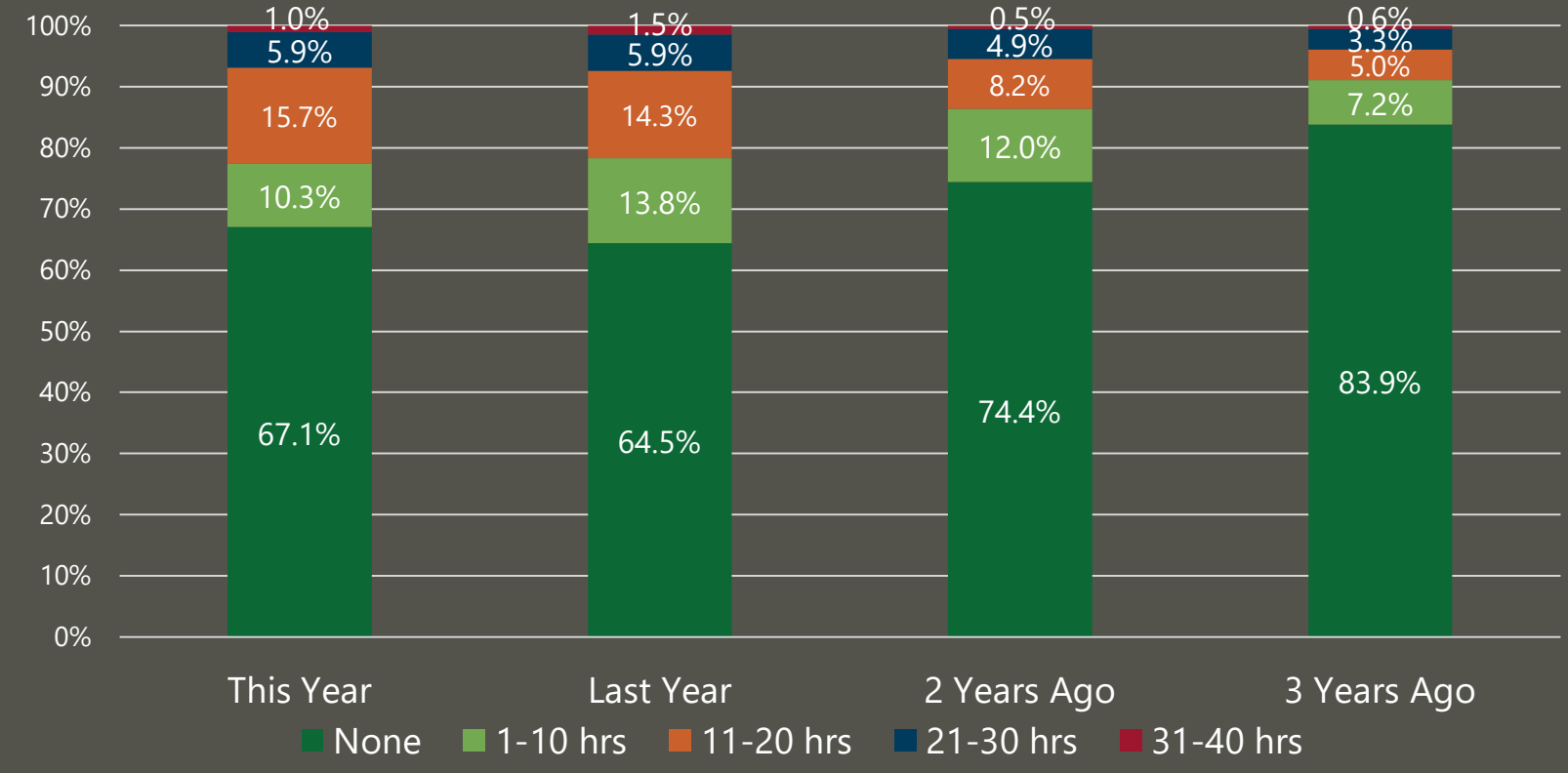

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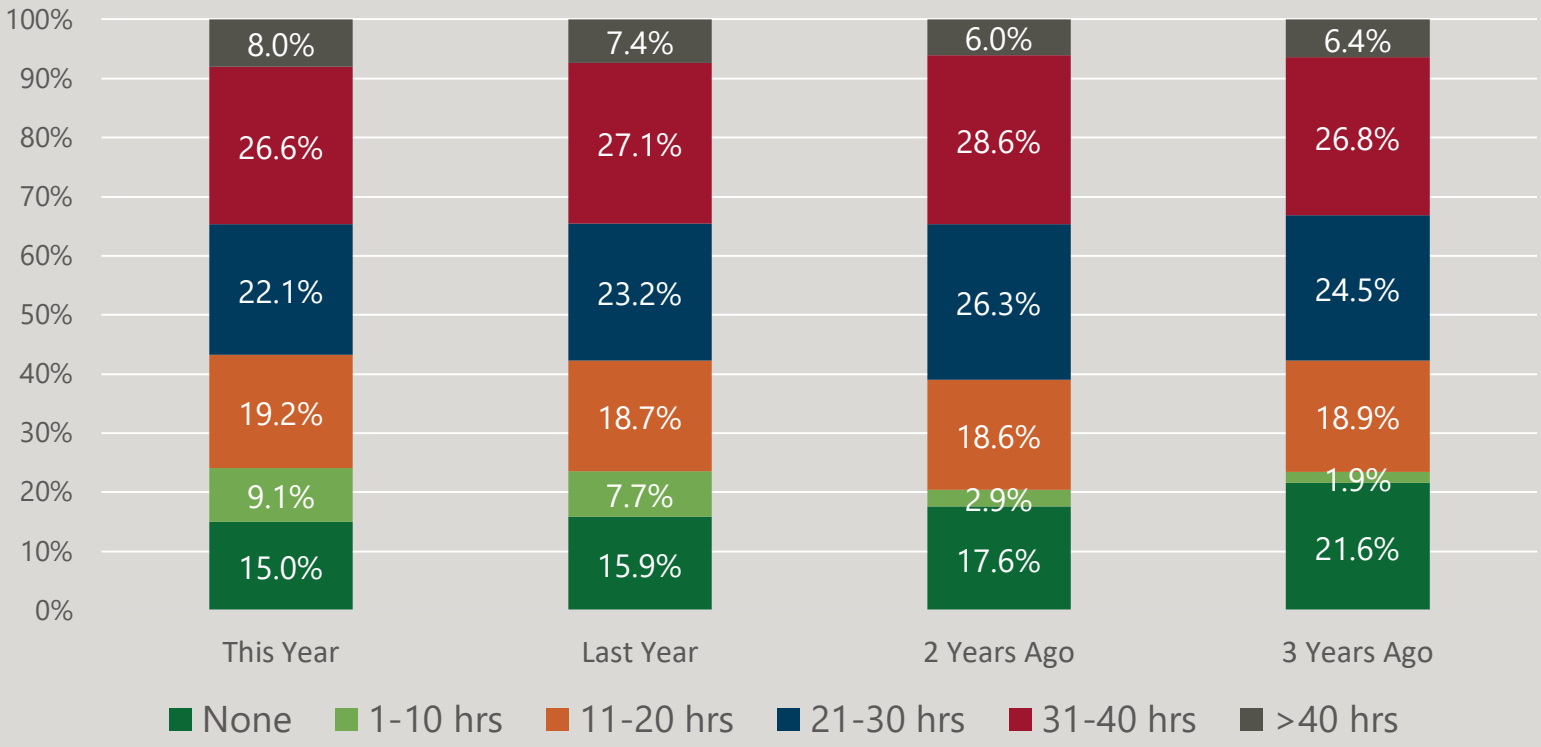

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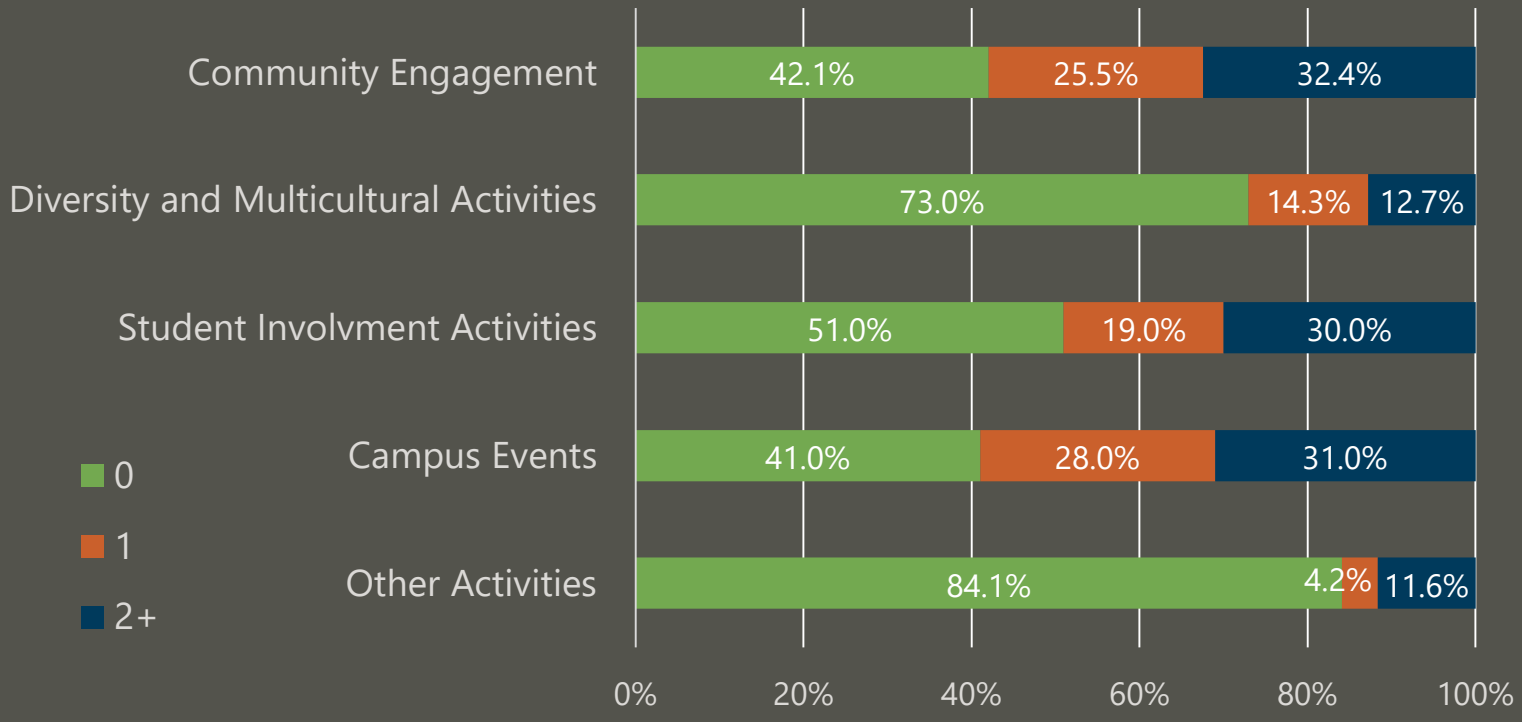
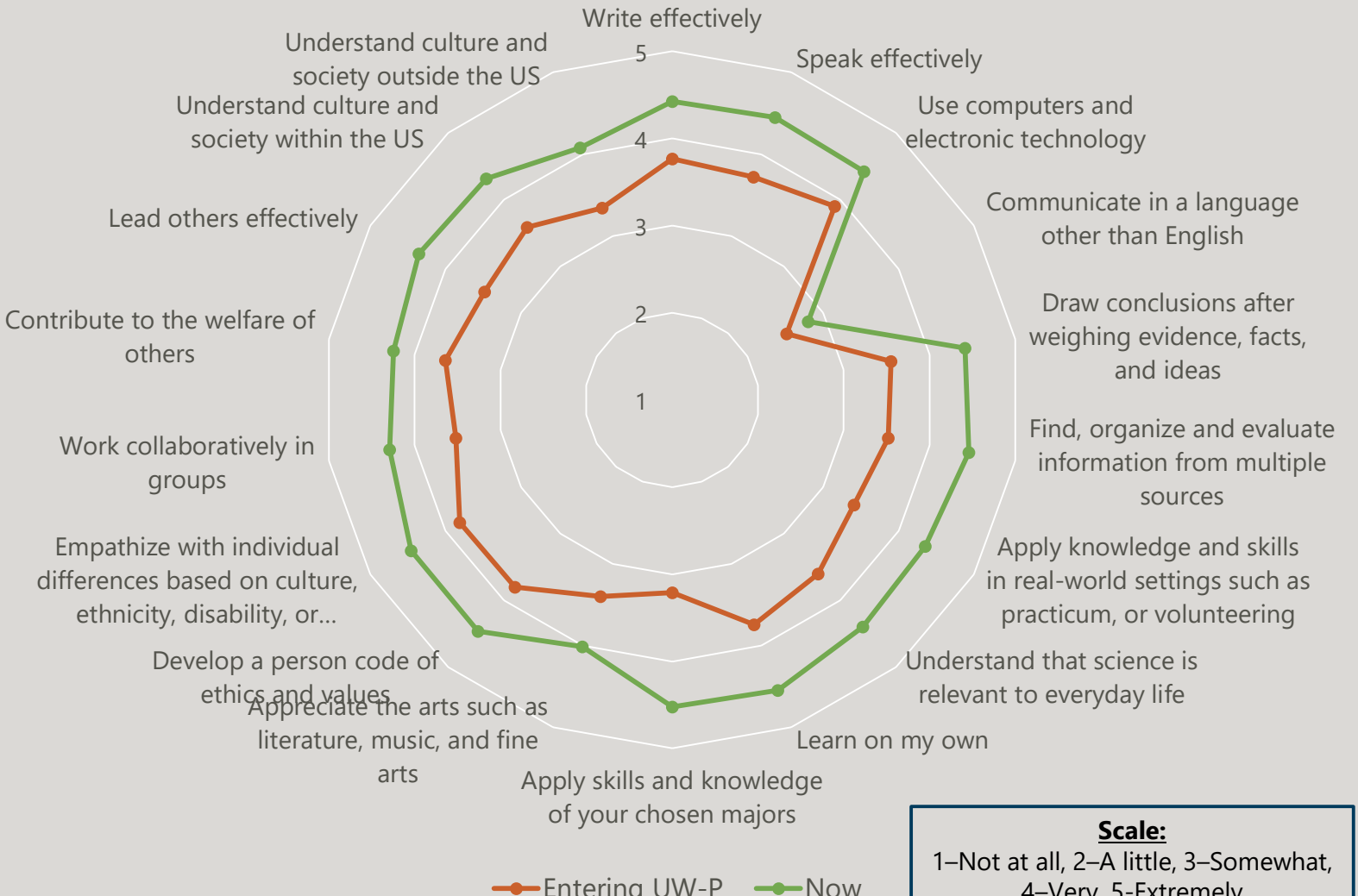
Approximately how often did you participate in the following activities each year at UW-Parkside?



ESSENTIAL LEARNING OUTCOMES

Graduates were asked eighteen questions that pertained to their self-assessment of the University's learning outcomes at graduation. Respondents were asked to assess their perceived abilities upon entering UW-Parkside and the extent to which their degree programs led to enhanced learning outcomes upon graduation. Results are tabulated as the average for each question.

"How able were/are you to…"



Scale:
1–Not at all, 2–A little, 3–Somewhat, 4–Very, 5-Extremely

ESSENTIAL LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students' perception of their skill level before and after their program at UW-Parkside

UWP Shared Learning Outcome: Communication										
	When Entering Parkside					When Graduating from Parkside				
	Not at all	A little	Somewhat	Very	Extremely	Not at all	A little	Somewhat	Very	Extremely
Write Effectively	1.3%	5.0%	29.8%	43.2%	20.6%		0.3%	5.0%	46.4%	48.3%
Speak Effectively	1.0%	7.7%	31.7%	37.2%	22.4%			7.4%	39.9%	52.8%
Use Computer Tech	0.7%	4.6%	26.5%	40.8%	27.5%		1.0%	4.7%	45.4%	48.9%
Communicate Non-English	25.5%	29.3%	22.3%	13.6%	9.3%	20.4%	27.2%	20.5%	15.8%	16.1%

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UWP Shared Learning Outcome: Reasoned Judgement										
	When Entering Parkside					When Graduating from Parkside				
	Not at all	A little	Somewhat	Very	Extremely	Not at all	A little	Somewhat	Very	Extremely
Draw Conclusions	1.0%	6.7%	42.7%	35.6%	14.0%		0.3%	4.0%	49.9%	45.7%
Find, Organize, & Evaluate	0.7%	10.3%	39.1%	36.6%	13.4%	0.3%		5.1%	43.0%	51.6%
Apply Skills & Knowledge	1.3%	12.7%	40.9%	34.1%	11.0%	1.0%	1.4%	6.4%	43.5%	47.7%
Understand Science	2.3%	10.3%	31.9%	35.7%	19.7%	0.3%	2.4%	7.1%	37.1%	53.1%
Learn on own	1.7%	6.0%	31.6%	37.9%	22.8%			4.4%	36.8%	58.8%
Apply Skills of Major	4.3%	18.7%	38.7%	28.0%	10.2%	0.7%	0.7%	3.4%	36.5%	58.8%

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UWP Shared Learning Outcome: Social & Personal Responsibility										
	When Entering Parkside					When Graduating from Parkside				
	Not at all	A little	Somewhat	Very	Extremely	Not at all	A little	Somewhat	Very	Extremely
Appreciate the Arts	4.5%	14.4%	36.0%	26.6%	18.4%	1.9%	5.4%	19.9%	35.2%	37.6%
Develop Personal Ethics	1.3%	7.7%	26.0%	39.6%	25.5%		0.7%	6.7%	38.3%	54.3%
Empathize with Different Cultures	0.7%	7.0%	28.0%	38.9%	25.5%	0.3%	2.4%	6.4%	33.4%	57.5%
Work in Groups	1.7%	10.0%	37.3%	36.7%	14.2%	0.3%	2.0%	12.5%	38.9%	46.2%
Contribute to Others	1.3%	6.0%	38.3%	35.8%	18.5%		1.4%	15.8%	39.6%	43.3%
Lead Others Effectively	2.4%	13.1%	37.3%	28.4%	18.9%	0.3%	0.3%	10.9%	40.2%	48.2%
Understand Culture within U.S.	1.0%	10.7%	36.7%	32.2%	19.4%	0.3%	1.4%	11.1%	41.2%	46.0%
Understand Culture Outside U.S.	2.0%	17.8%	39.7%	24.7%	15.8%	0.3%	5.1%	18.1%	39.3%	37.3%

GRADUATE QUOTES

At the end of the survey, respondents were given the opportunity to express any additional comments regarding their experience. Below are some of the comments that students shared.

I couldn't have asked for a better university. I was able to grow in every [way] by attending this school. I have met great professors and mentors that I see myself staying in touch for a very long time. I have been more than honored to represent Parkside through the speaking opportunities that I was given. Thank you to all the faculty and staff that have contributed to my professional and personal development.

This was a great experience. The curriculum was easily applied to real work experiences/situations.

One of the most beneficial aspects I believe the University embodies is the smaller number of students in each class. Being able to not only connect with peers as well as your professor, I believe maximizes a students ability to learn at the highest level.

UW-Parkside was the perfect school for me to attend after my service in the United Sates Navy. It is the perfect sized school with class sizes that aren't too large. I am proud to call myself a Parkside Alumni and will always keep the door open for starting Graduate School at this university.

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