Graduating Student Survey
Academic Year 2020-21

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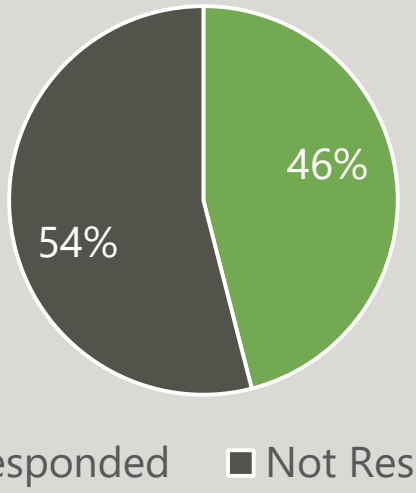
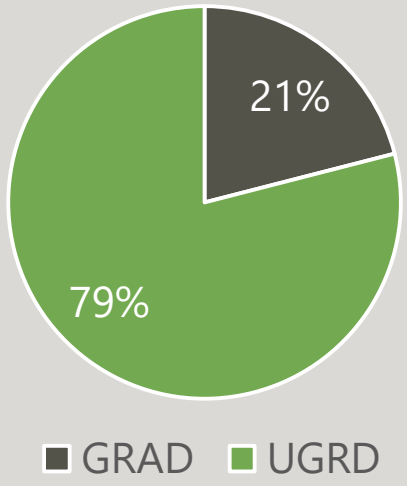
OVERVIEW

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 906 students, who graduated in Summer 2020, Fall 2020, and Spring 2021 were contacted and the survey was made available through each student's SOLAR account. A total of 420 (46%) graduating students, including both 333 (79%) Undergraduates and 87 (21%) Graduates responded to the survey. This report presents the data collected from the survey before June 2021.

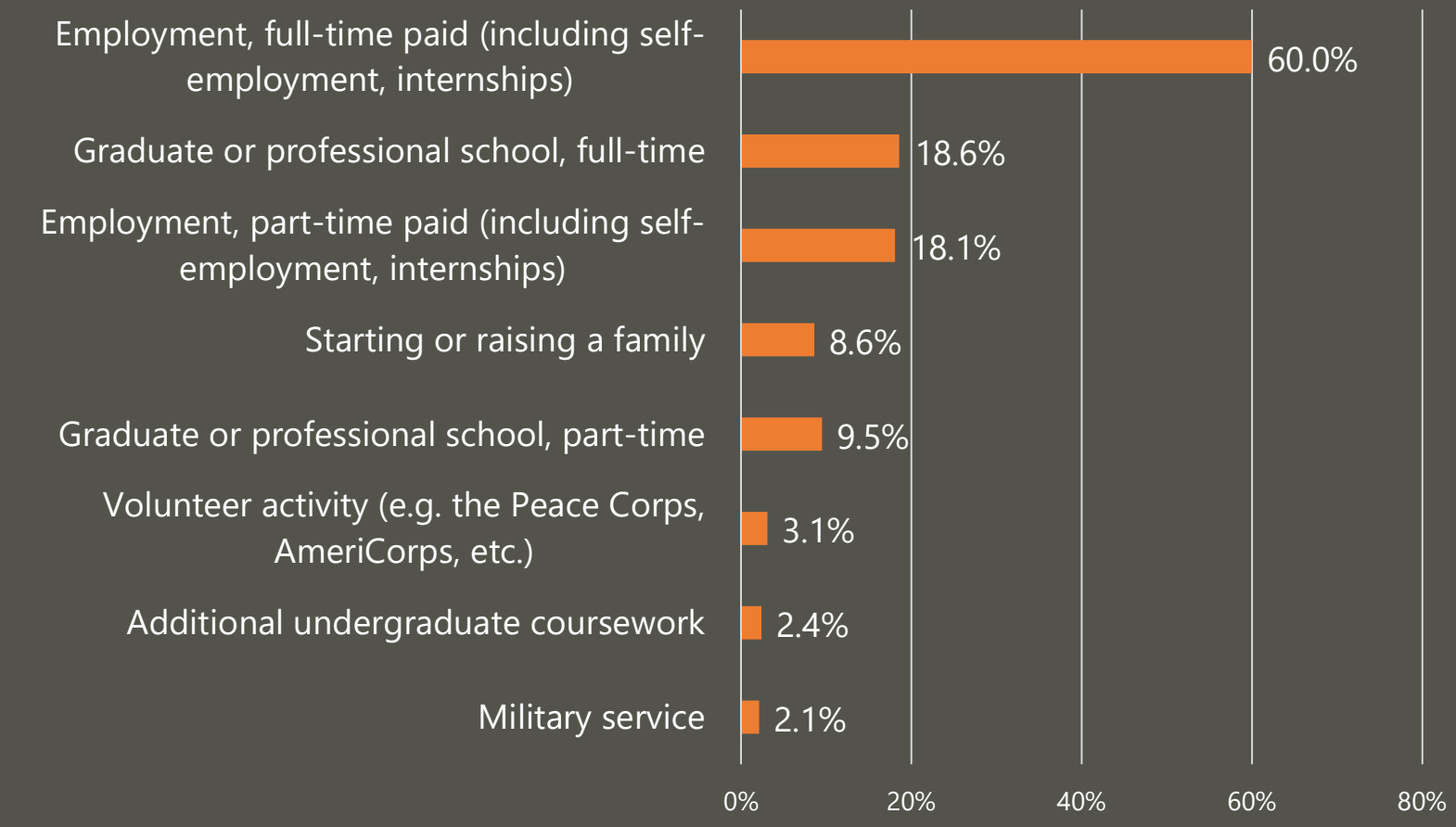




Term	Total Graduates	Respondents	Response Rate
Summer 2019	88	28	32%
Fall 2019	319	154	48%
Spring 2020	499	238	48%

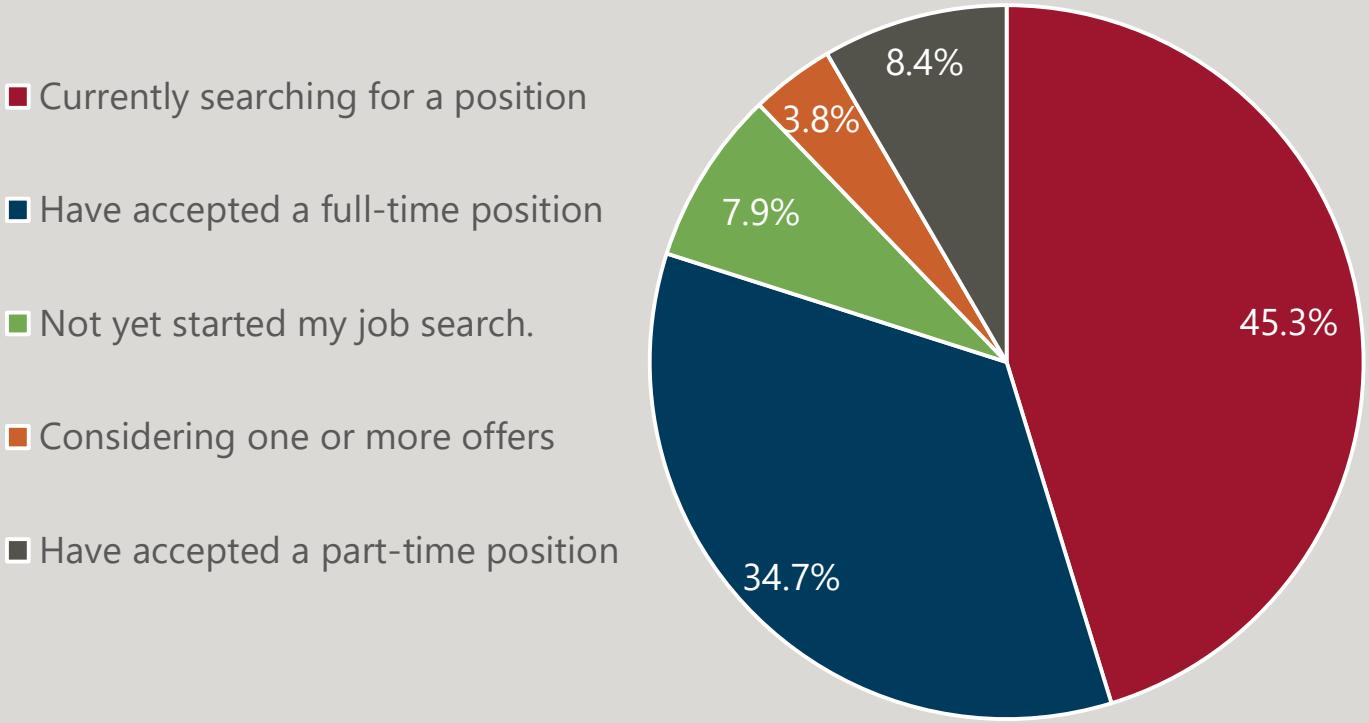
POST GRADUATION PLANS

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?



45.3% are CURRENTLY SEARCHING for a position

34.7% have ACCEPTED A FULL-TIME position

8.4% have ACCEPTED A PART-TIME position

7.9% have NOT YET STARTED their job search

3.8% are CONSIDERING one or more offers

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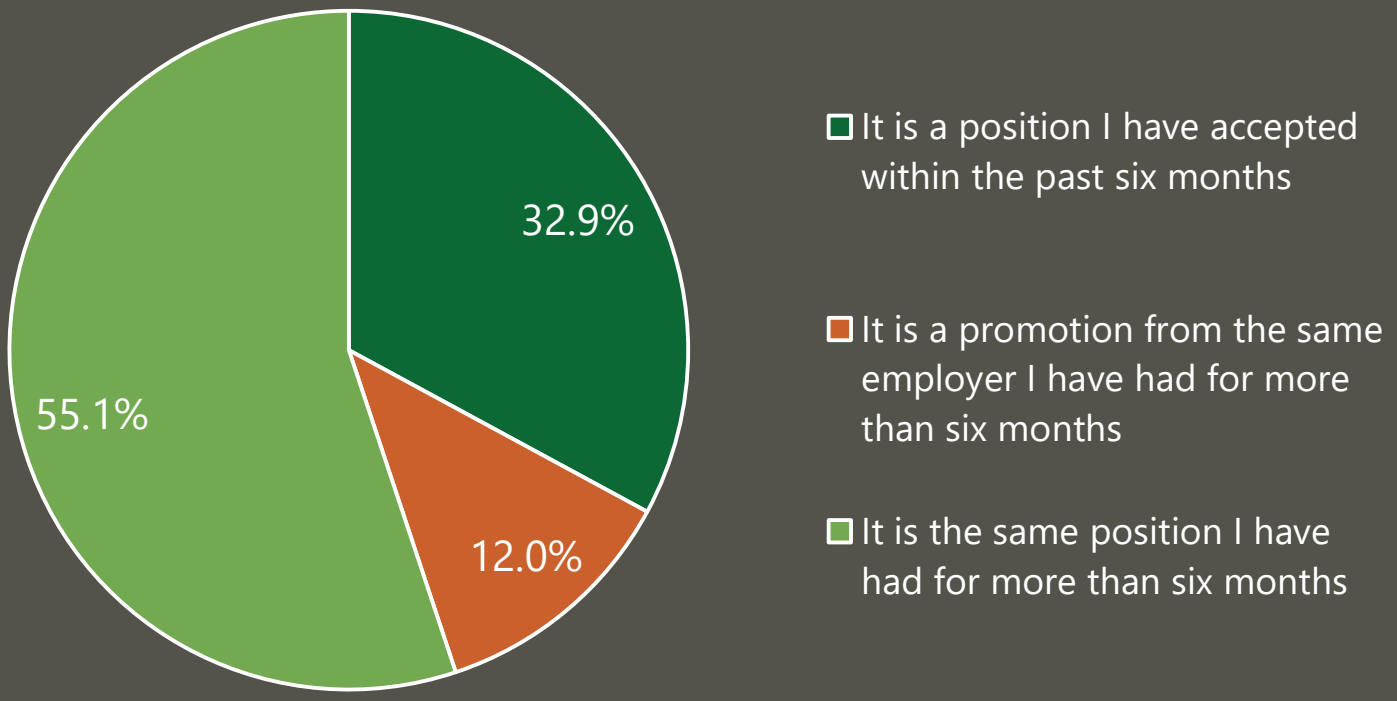
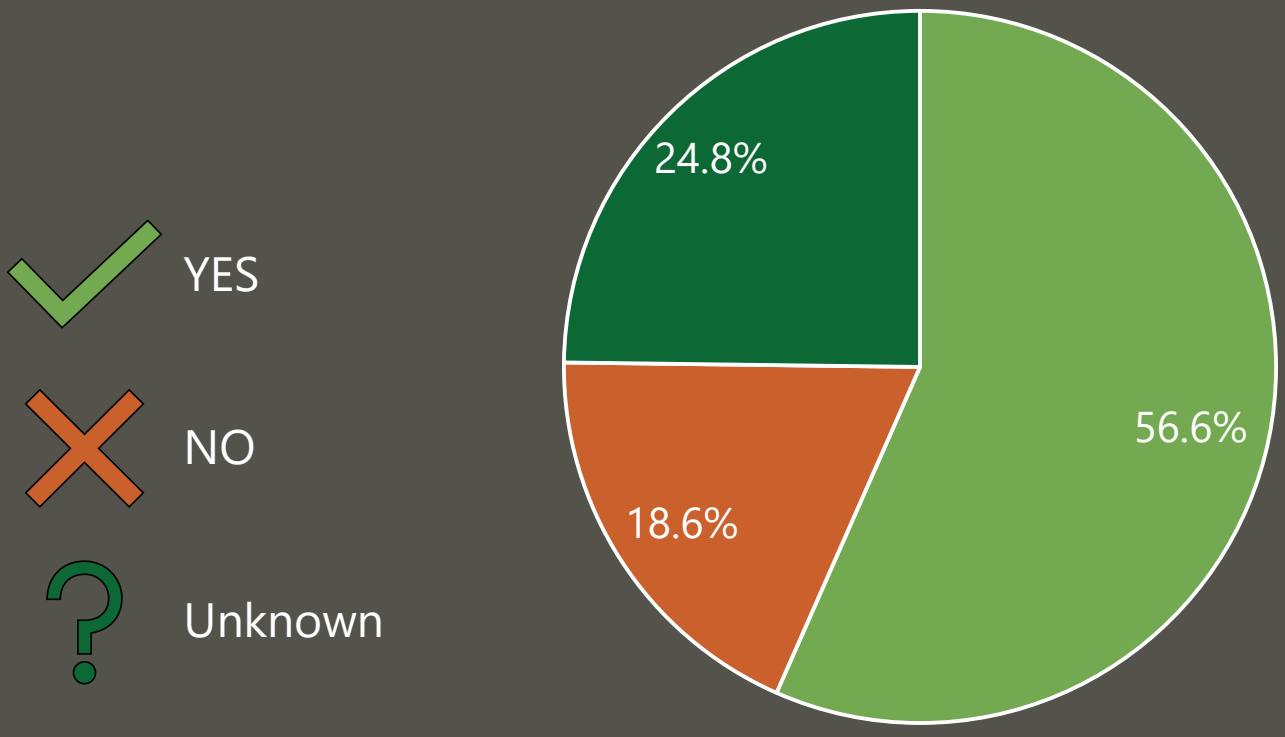
Which of the following best describes the position you have accepted?



Do you plan/expect to work in WI?



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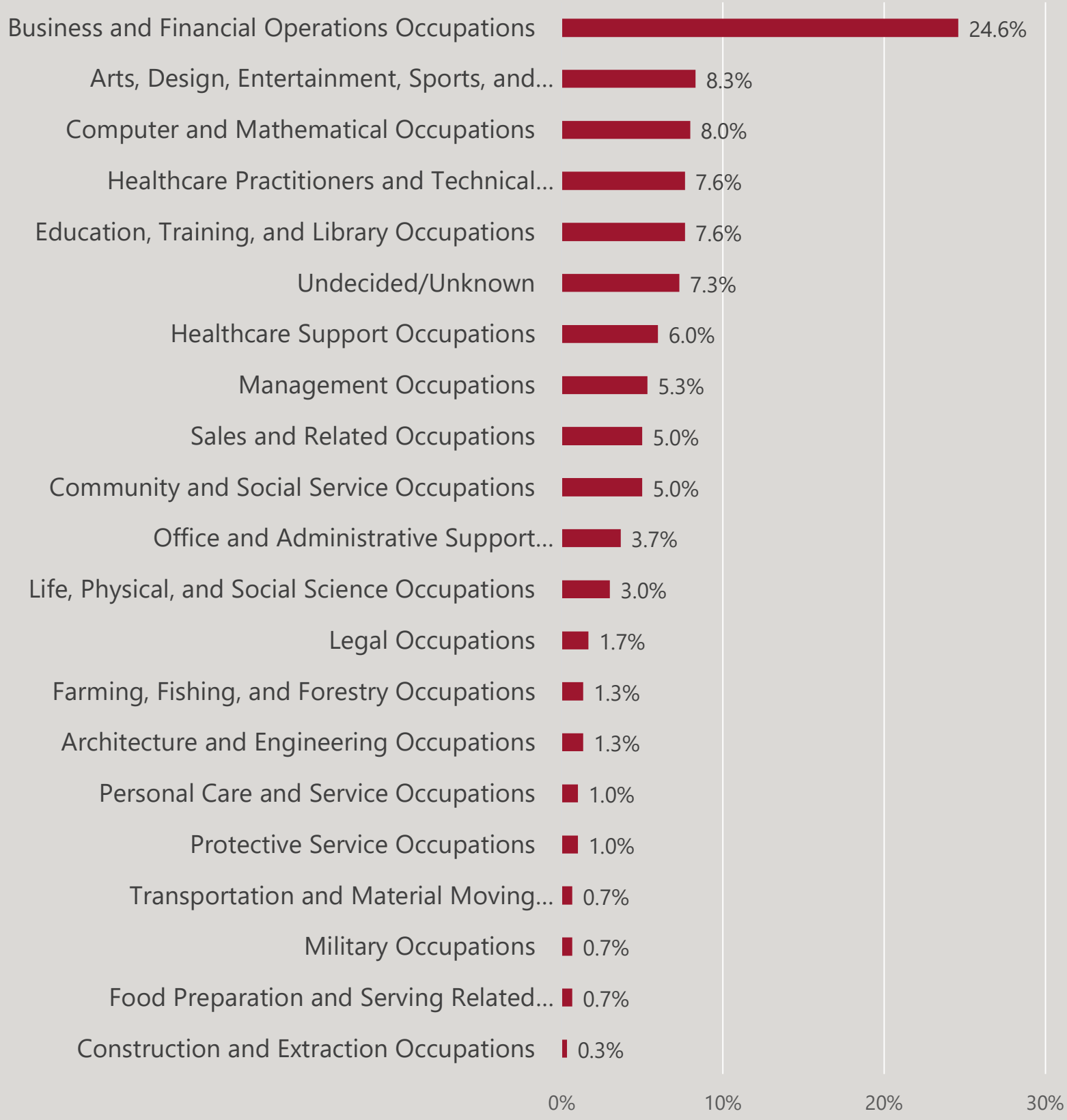
What occupation best describes the position you have accepted or are seeking?



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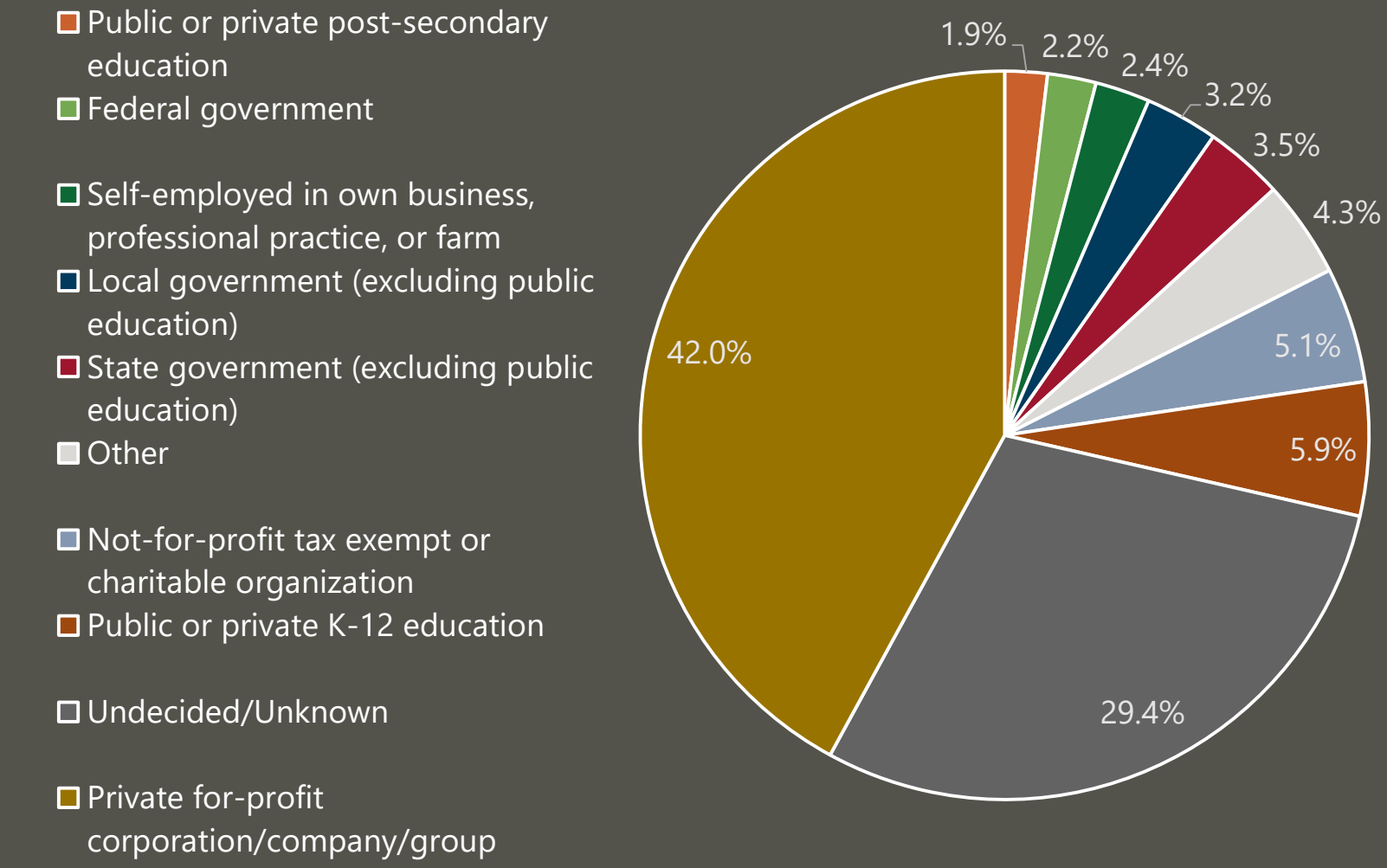
For those who have accepted a position:

What type of organization or sector will you work in?



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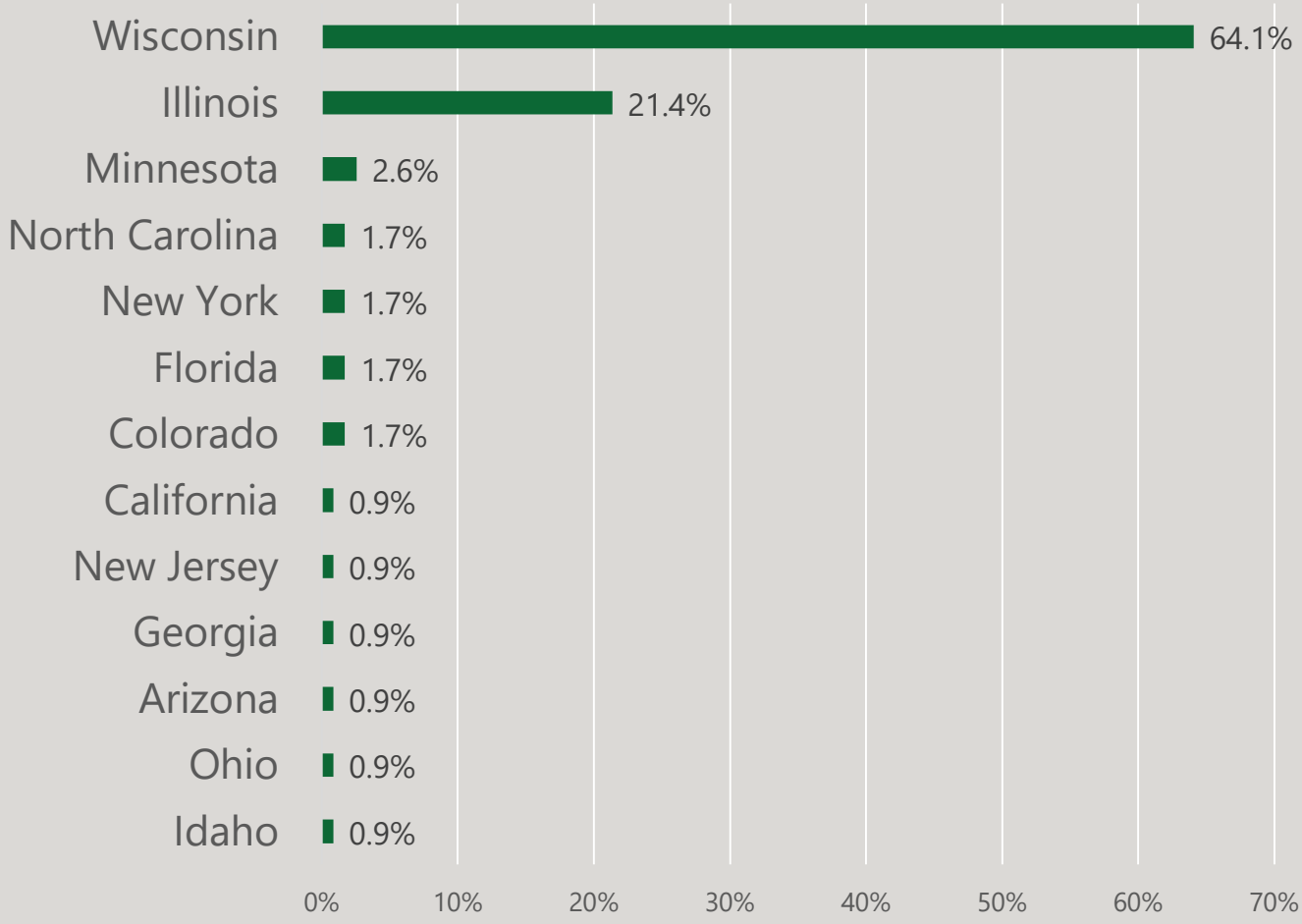
For students who have already accepted a position:
Where is your anticipated work location?



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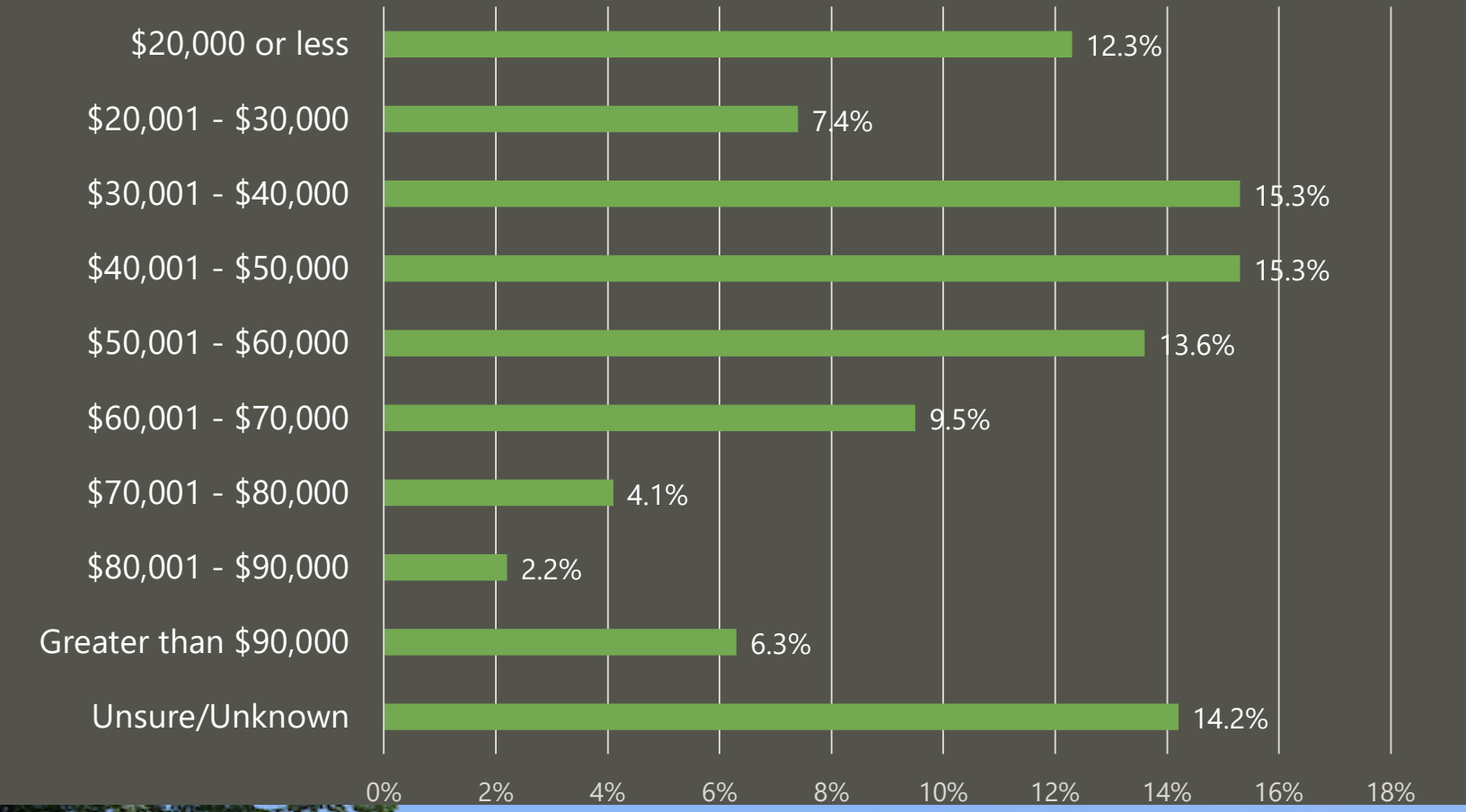
For those who have already accepted a position:
What is your estimated annual income?

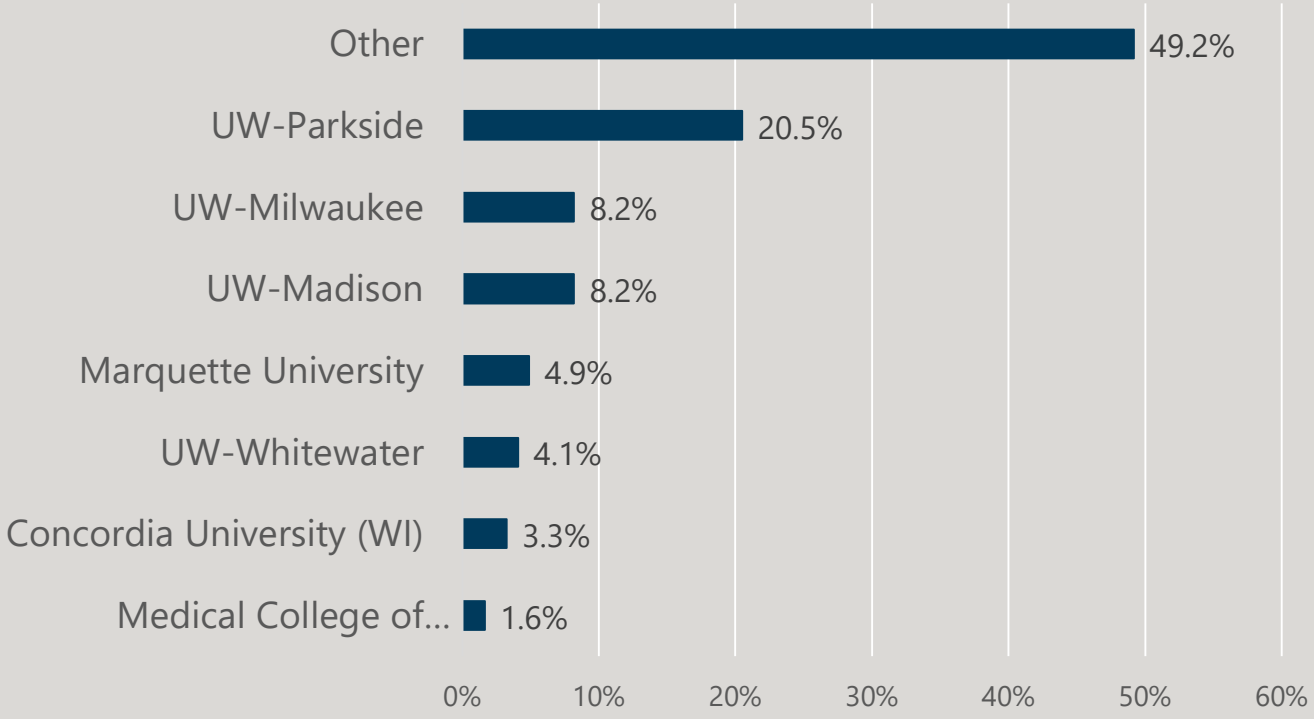


GRADUATE SCHOOL PLANS

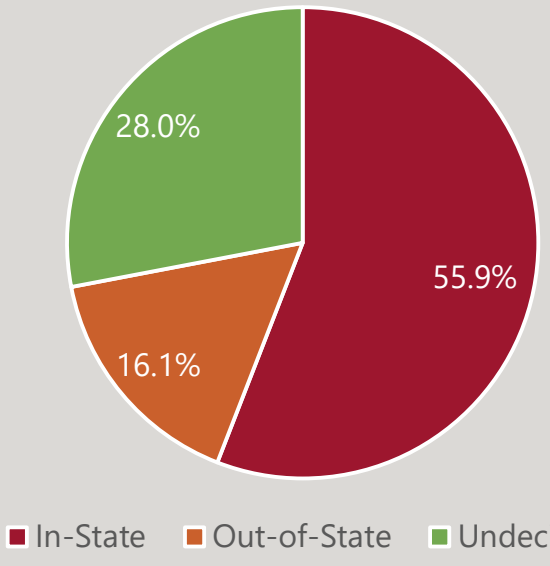
28.1% of students included attending graduate school (full or part-time) as one of their principle activities upon graduation.

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

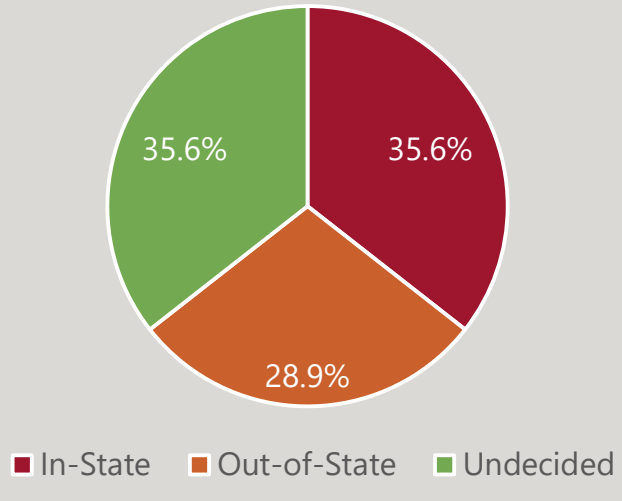
Note: Students may select more than one option



In-State/Out-of-State Breakdown (ALL Responses)



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



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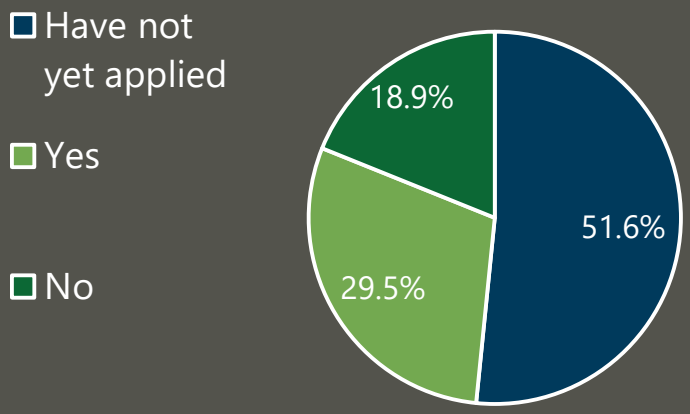
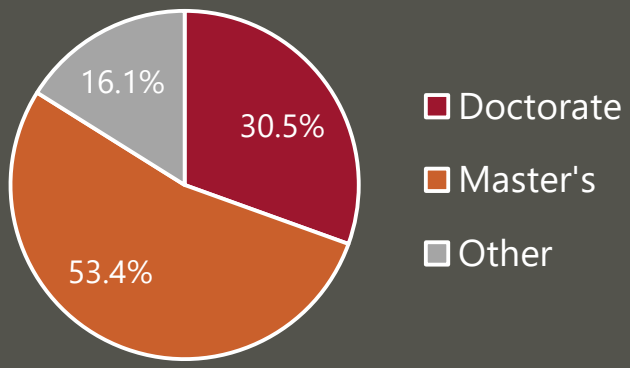
Have you already been accepted to that institution?



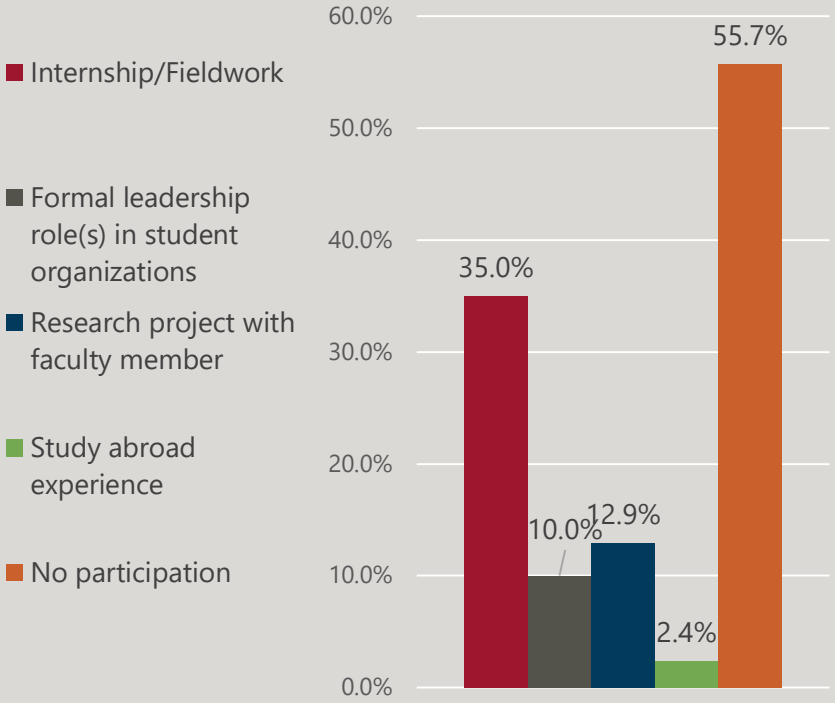
What degree(s) do you intend on pursuing in Graduate school?



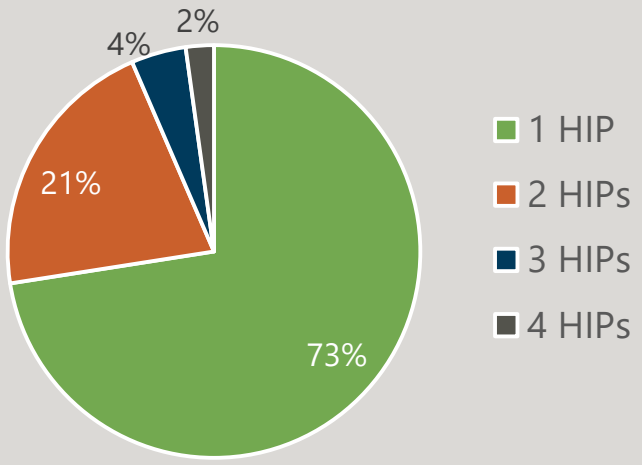
Top 5 Masters Degrees	N	Top 5 Doctorate Degrees	N
Master of Science (M.S.)	30	Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)	6
Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)	16	Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)	6
Master of Arts (M.A.)	7	Doctor of Medicine (M.D.)	5
Master of Education (M.Ed.)	5	Juris Doctor (J.D.)	5
Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.)	2	Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.)	3
Master of Social Work (M.S.W.)	1	Doctor of Business Administration (D.B.A.)	3

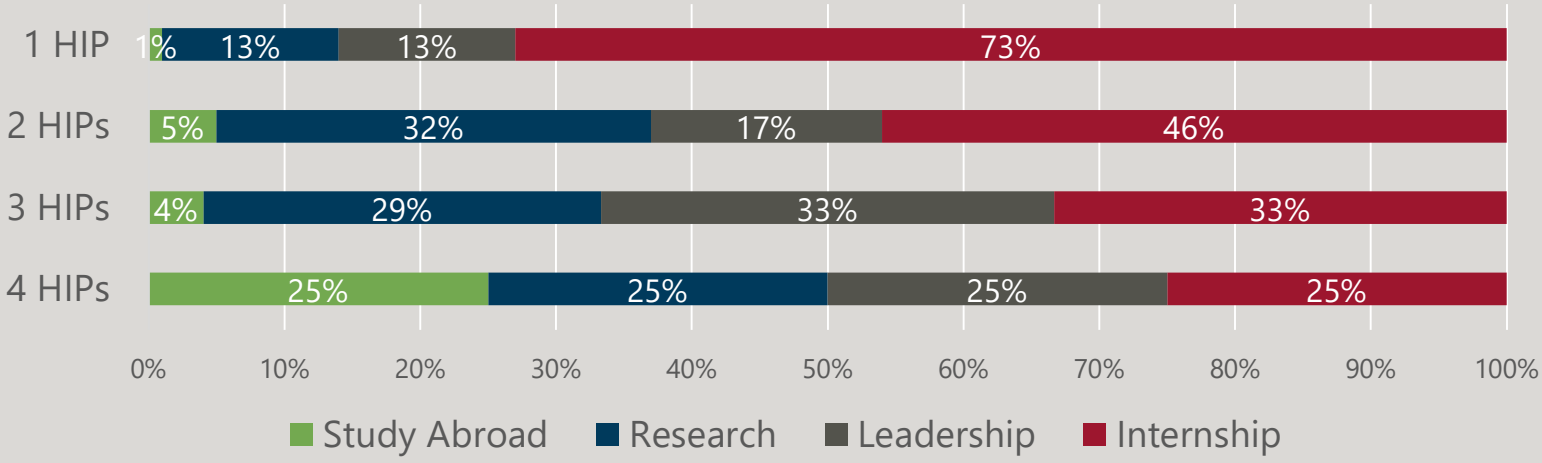
HIGH IMPACT PRACTICES

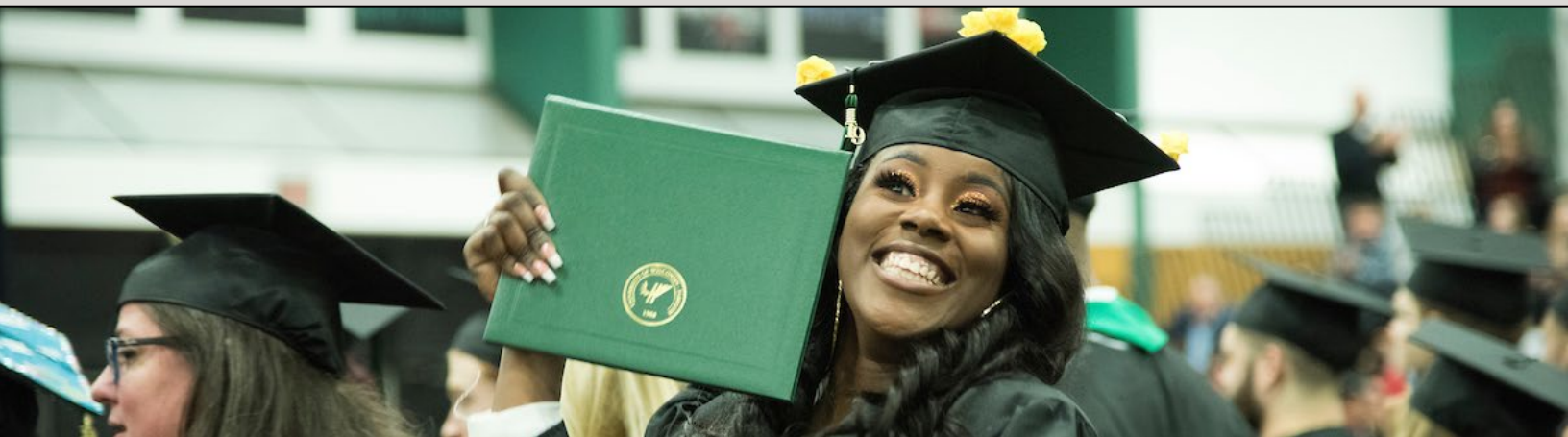
Did you participate in any of the following activities while you were a student at UW-Parkside?



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







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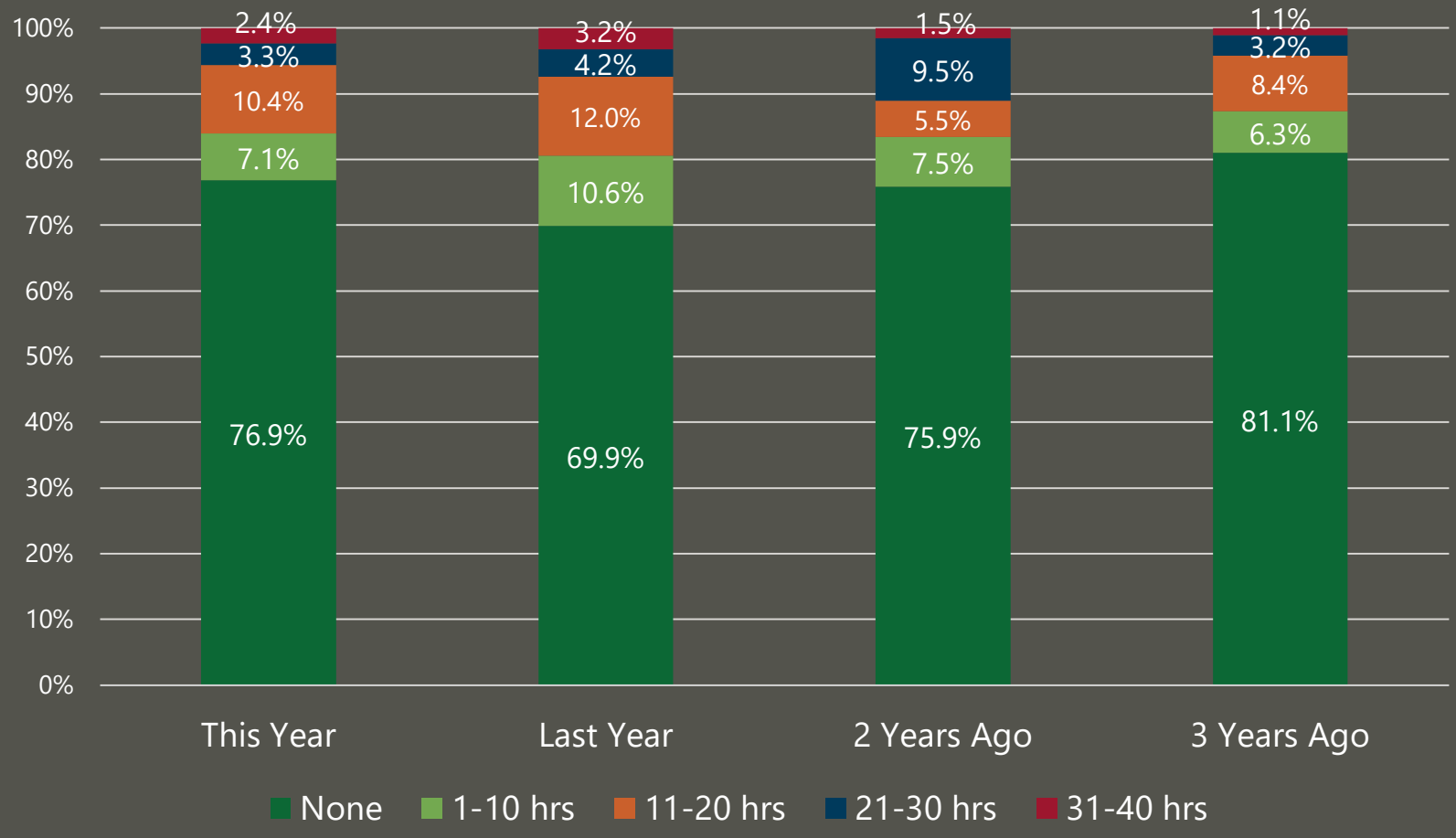

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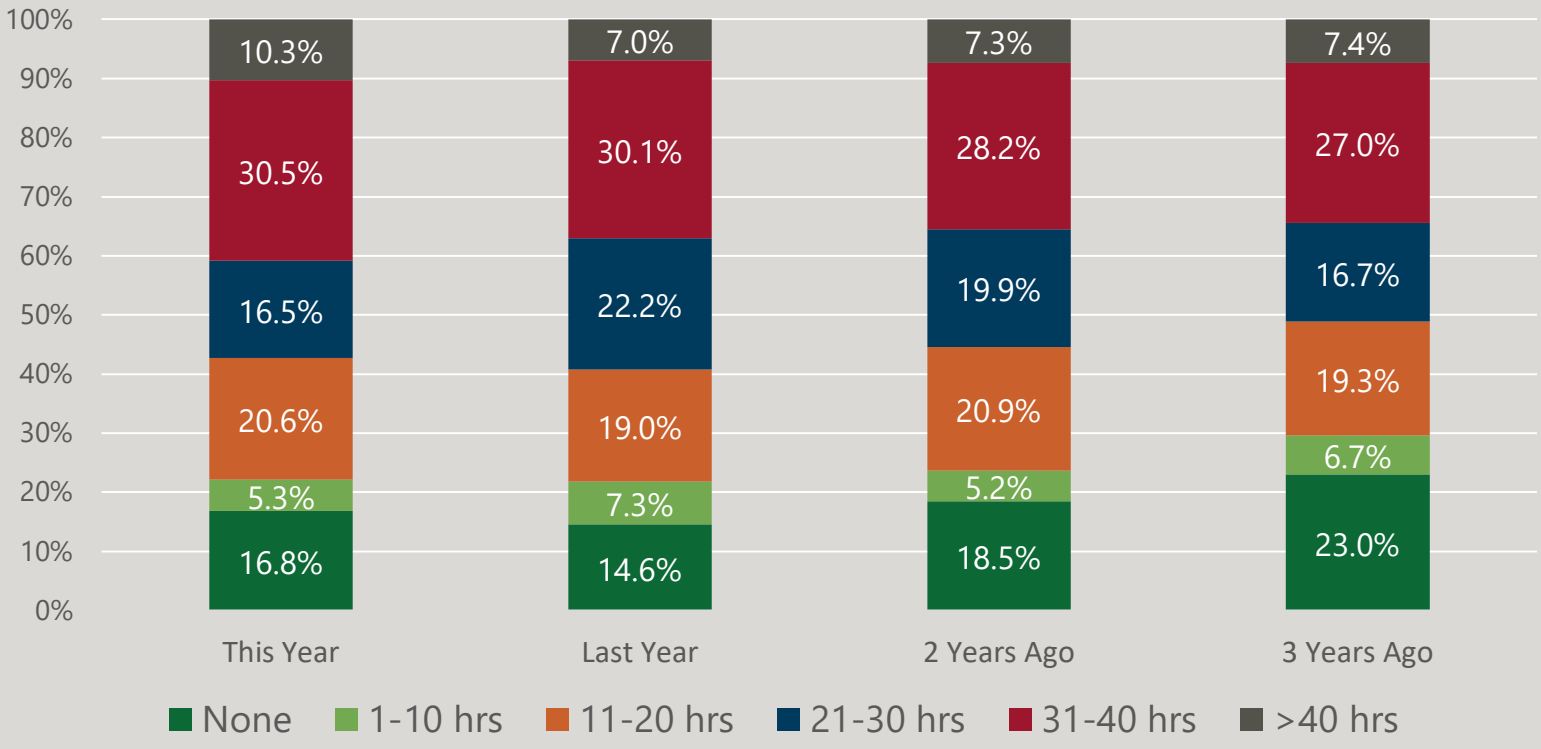

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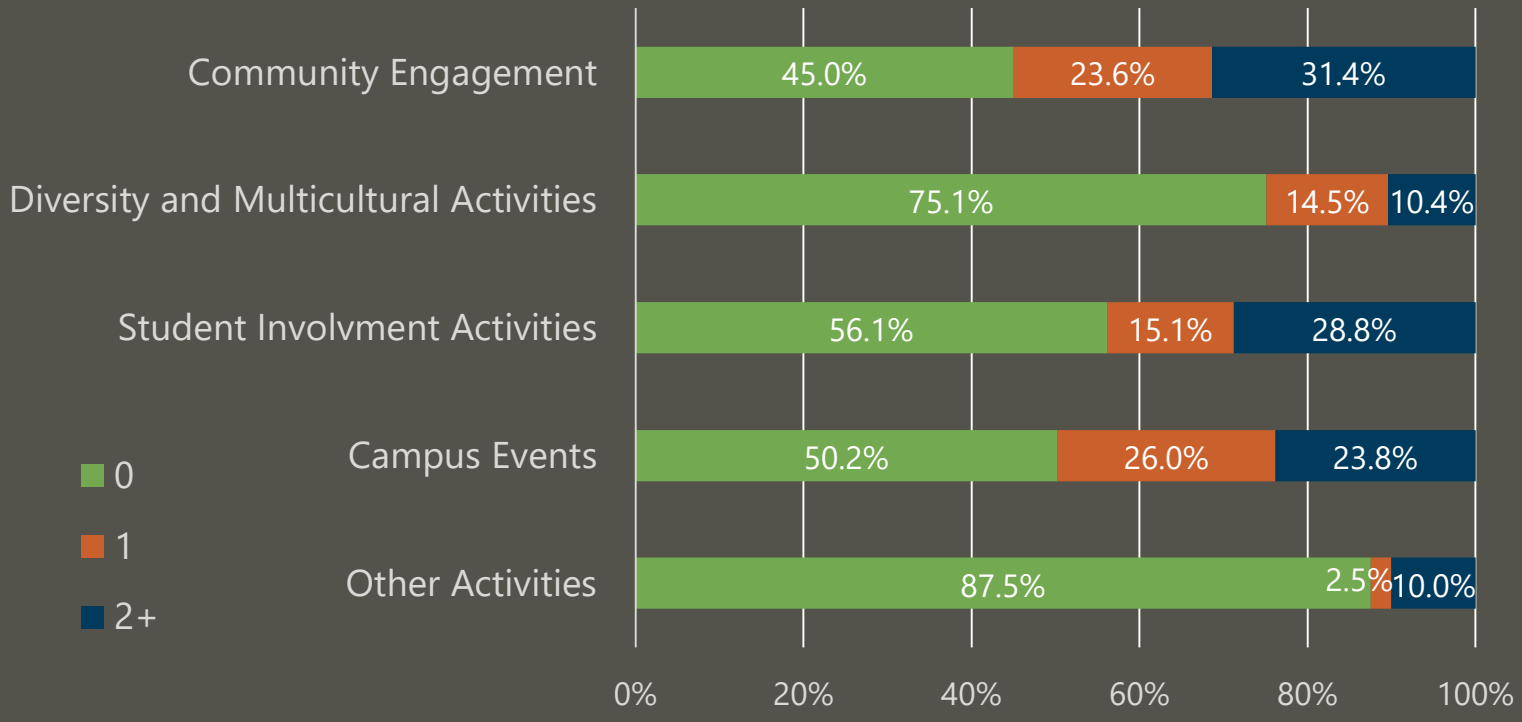
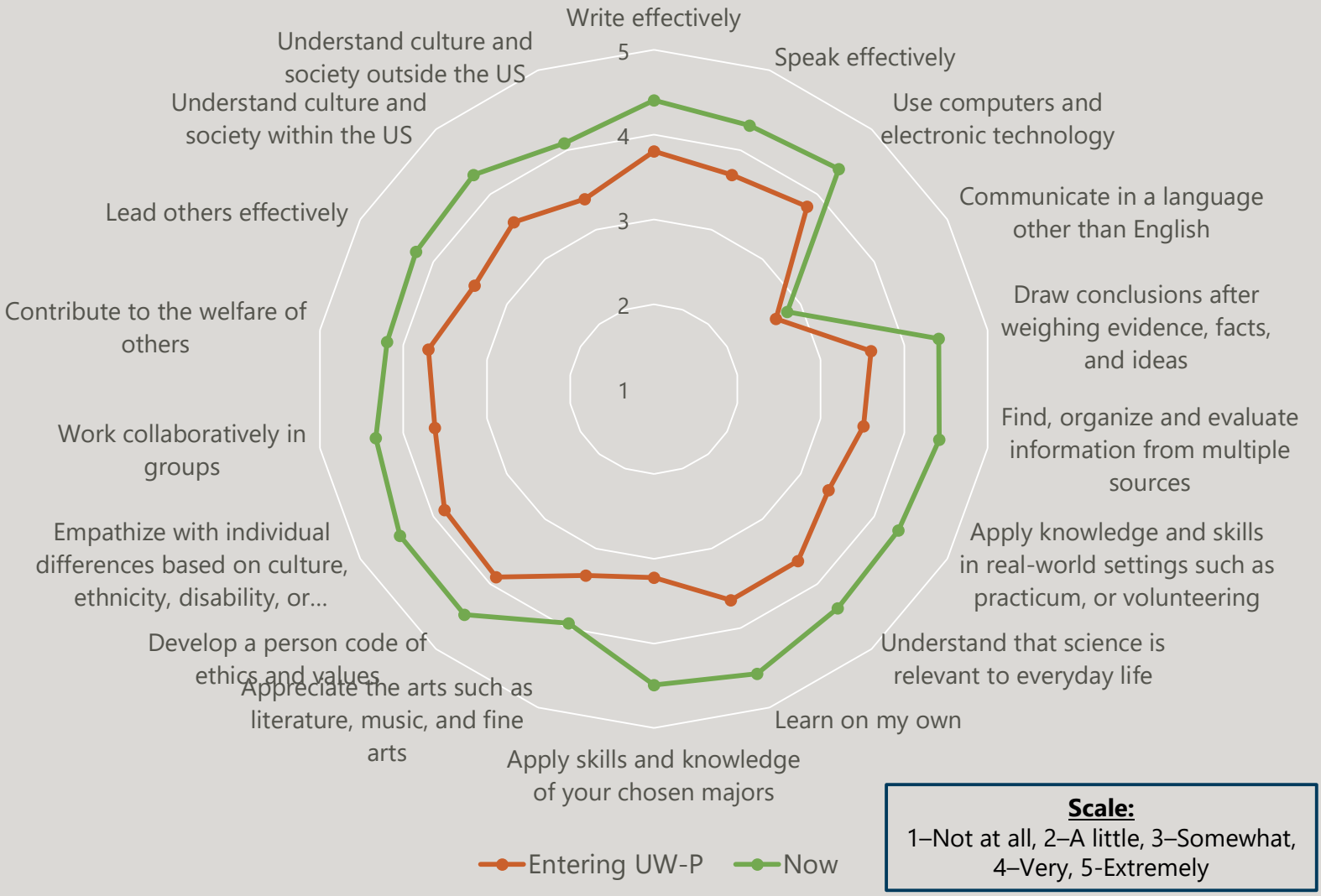
Approximately how often did you participate in the following activities each year at UW-Parkside?



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	0.7%	4.3%	29.0%	45.7%	20.3%		0.3%	5.7%	47.0%	47.0%
Speak Effectively	1.0%	8.7%	32.2%	36.6%	21.5%		0.3%	10.8%	46.1%	42.7%
Use Computer Tech	0.3%	5.0%	28.5%	45.3%	20.8%		0.3%	6.1%	47.6%	45.9%
Communicate Non-English	25.1%	29.1%	16.4%	13.4%	16.1%	22.2%	26.6%	17.8%	13.8%	19.5%

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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	0.3%	6.1%	39.9%	40.2%	13.5%		0.7%	4.5%	47.9%	46.9%
Find, Organize, & Evaluate	0.7%	11.1%	36.1%	40.5%	11.5%		0.7%	5.5%	44.1%	49.7%
Apply Skills & Knowledge	3.1%	12.5%	41.4%	29.2%	13.9%	0.3%	1.7%	11.3%	37.7%	49.0%
Understand Science	1.0%	8.1%	35.6%	35.9%	19.3%		2.4%	8.9%	37.1%	51.5%
Learn on own	2.0%	7.5%	33.2%	38.0%	19.3%		0.7%	5.8%	29.2%	64.3%
Apply Skills of Major	3.7%	18.6%	39.7%	27.5%	10.5%		1.4%	5.2%	36.8%	56.7%

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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	6.4%	17.2%	31.1%	26.7%	18.6%	2.8%	4.9%	23.3%	34.0%	35.1%
Develop Personal Ethics	1.0%	5.7%	25.3%	38.5%	29.4%	0.3%	0.7%	6.6%	35.4%	56.9%
Empathize with Different Cultures	1.4%	5.7%	26.4%	39.5%	27.0%	0.3%	0.7%	7.6%	35.7%	55.7%
Work in Groups	2.0%	9.1%	31.4%	39.9%	17.6%		1.0%	9.6%	45.0%	44.3%
Contribute to Others	2.0%	6.8%	30.6%	40.1%	20.4%	0.3%	2.4%	14.5%	42.9%	39.8%
Lead Others Effectively	4.1%	11.2%	37.4%	30.6%	16.7%	0.7%	2.4%	13.5%	39.4%	43.9%
Understand Culture within U.S.	2.0%	8.1%	39.2%	32.4%	18.2%		1.4%	11.0%	43.8%	43.8%
Understand Culture Outside U.S.	4.1%	12.5%	41.6%	24.3%	17.6%		4.1%	19.9%	39.4%	36.6%

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.

When I walked on campus for the first time I was unsure of how I was going to make this work after being in the job and parenting world for 30 years. I saw the BE banners and just couldn't put that into what I was trying to accomplish...I have been blessed by my time at UW-PARKSIDE! I have met so many wonderful administration, professors, staff and fellow students. I have figured out how BE fits into what I have done. We as students and professionals need to BE active in society and causes; BE available to those who need us; BE aware of the situations and people around us; BE attentive to our needs and the needs of others; BE advocates for those who can not; BE an example for those who need it, even if they don't realize it; Be available to work and help others; and BE present in life! I have truly learned how to BE Parkside. I will never forget my experiences at this campus!

Parkside gave me the opportunity to learn alongside passionate individuals as well as be taught by professors who were encouraging and well-informed. Here, I was able to be part of a team and grow academically, professionally, and personally. I will always be grateful to Parkside for their enriching academic experiences, and the warm memories I was able to make...

I am extremely thankful for the opportunities that the University of Wisconsin - Parkside has given me. I didn't do so well during the first stages of my college career, but Parkside gave me a few chances. Now, in my final two years of college, I have succeeded in earning the Dean's list and Provost's list. Please, if you doubt a student, have faith that they will be able to recover, and those that are in the military while going to school, assist them as they are having to do so much more than the average student. Recognize them.

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