Graduating Student Survey
Academic Year 2023-24

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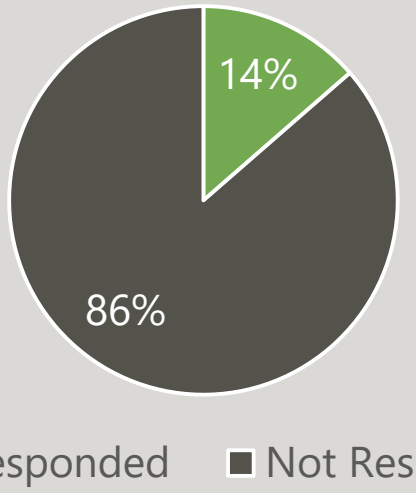
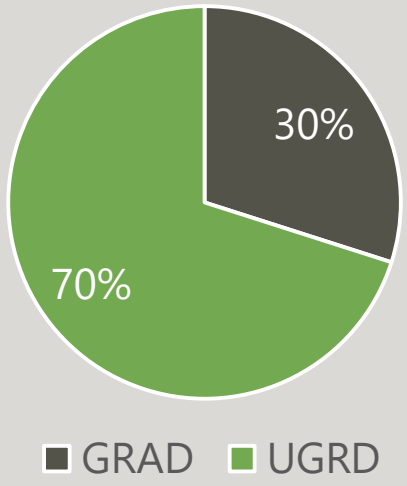
OVERVIEW

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 904 students, who graduated in Summer 2023, Fall 2023, and Spring 2024 were contacted and the survey was made available through each student's SOLAR account. A total of 123 (13.6%) graduating students, including both 69 (10.9%) Undergraduates and 54 (19.9%) Graduates responded to the survey. This report presents the data collected from the survey before June 2024.

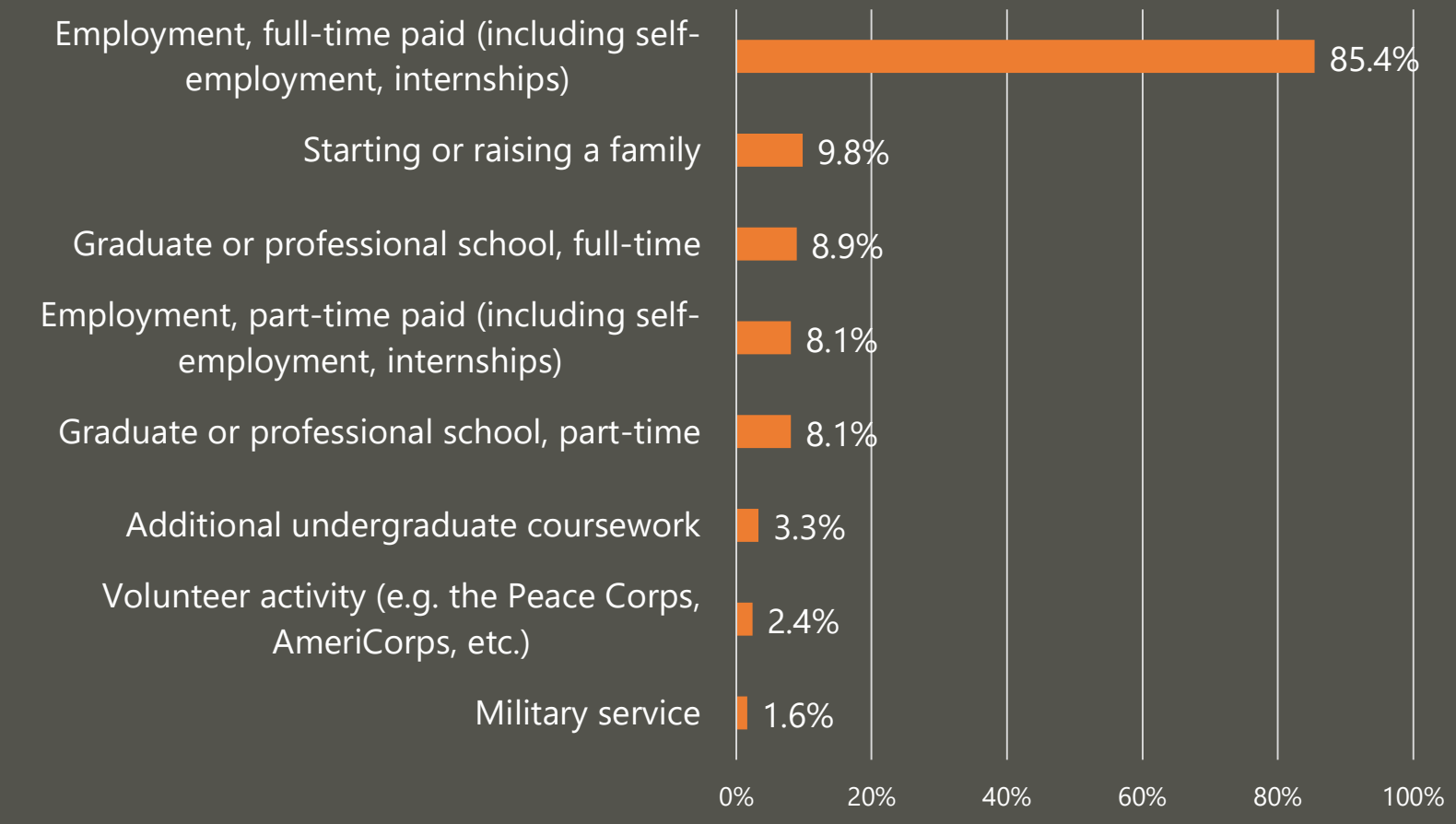




Term	Total Graduates	Respondents	Response Rate
Summer 2023	94	33	35.1%
Fall 2023	331	48	14.5%
Spring 2024	479	42	8.8%

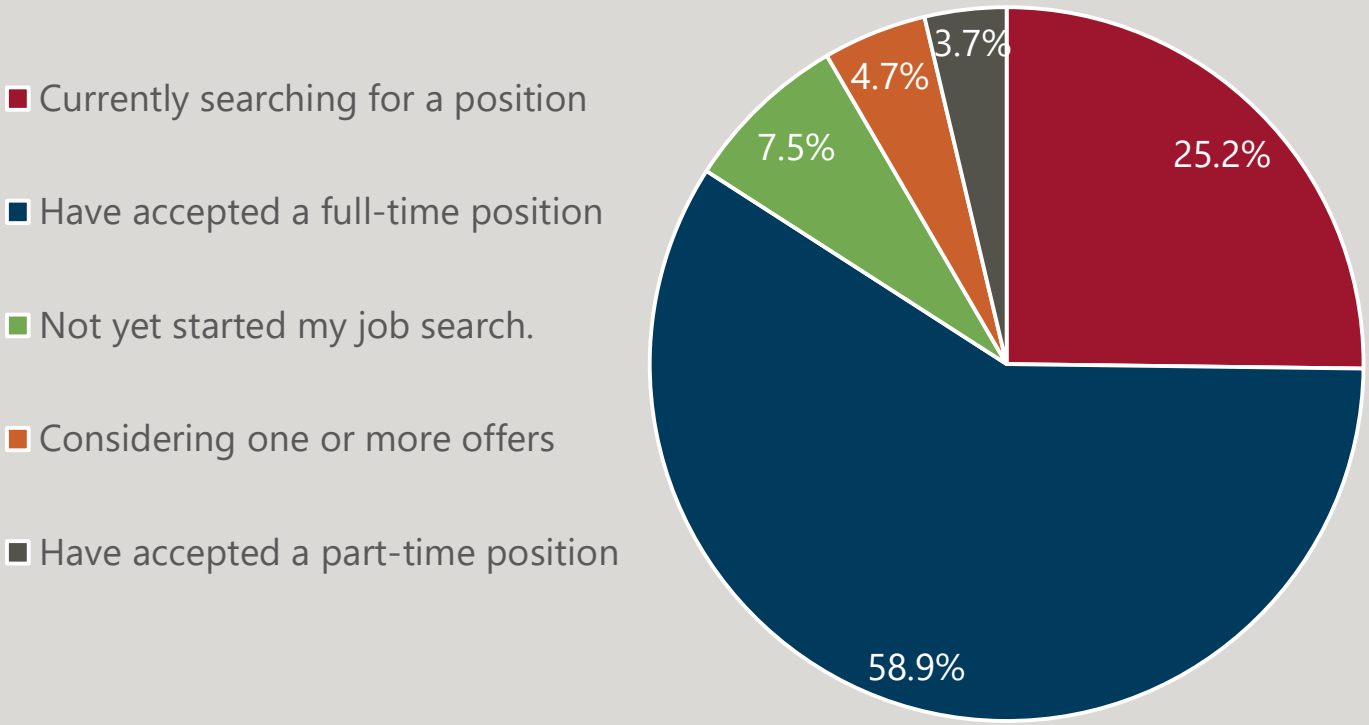
POST GRADUATION PLANS

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?



25.2% are CURRENTLY SEARCHING for a position

58.9% have ACCEPTED A FULL-TIME position

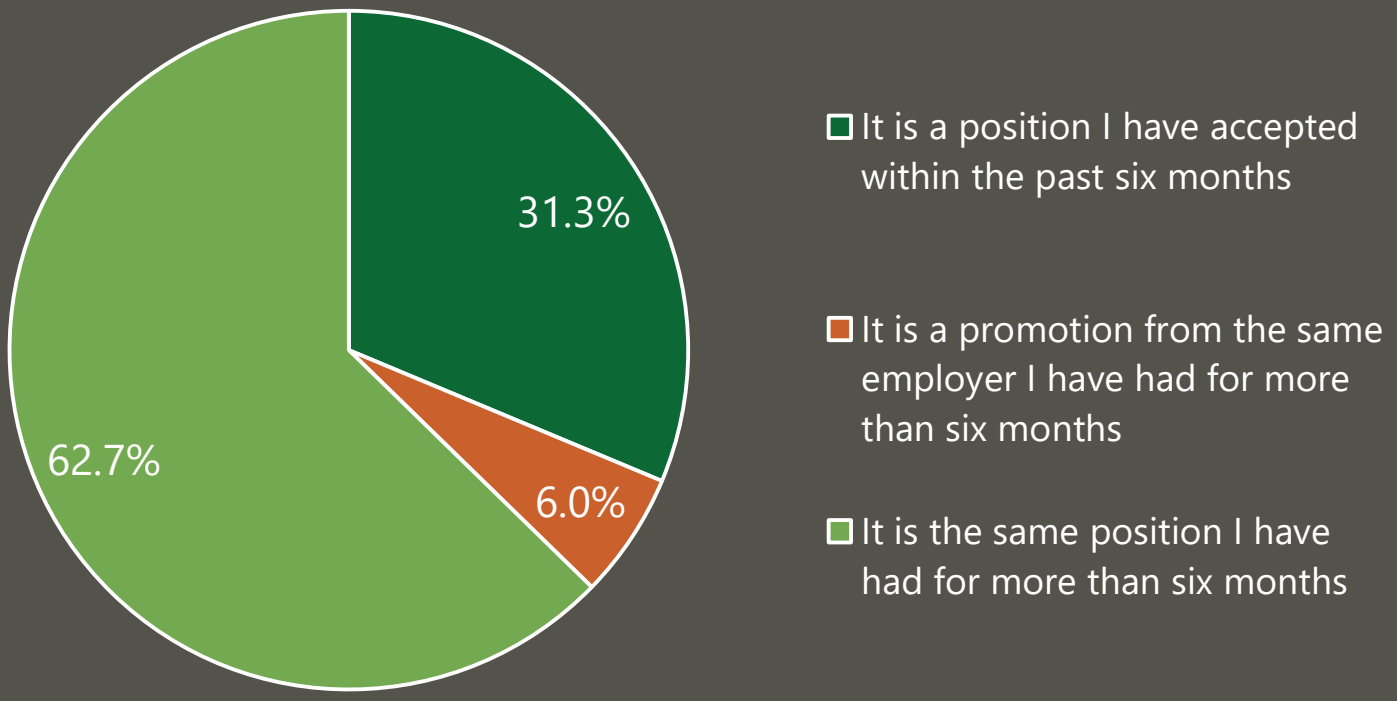
3.7% have ACCEPTED A PART-TIME position

7.5% have NOT YET STARTED their job search

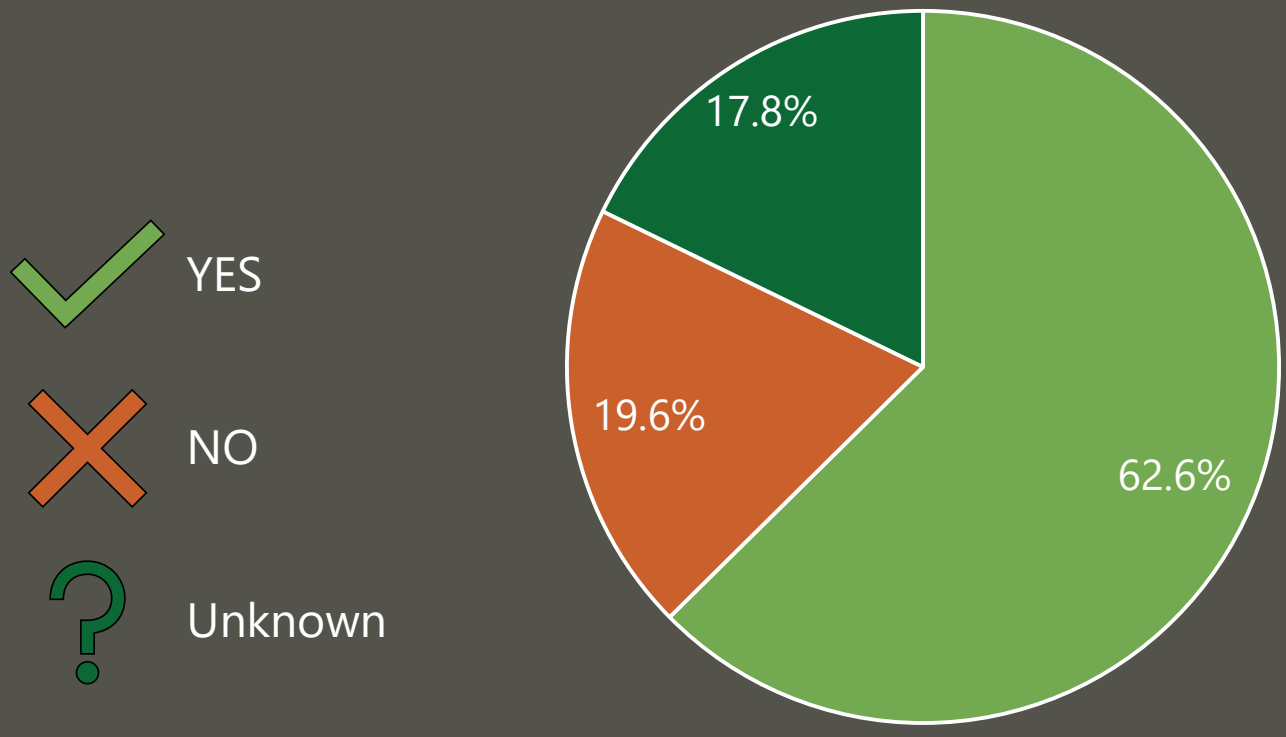
4.7% are CONSIDERING one or more offers

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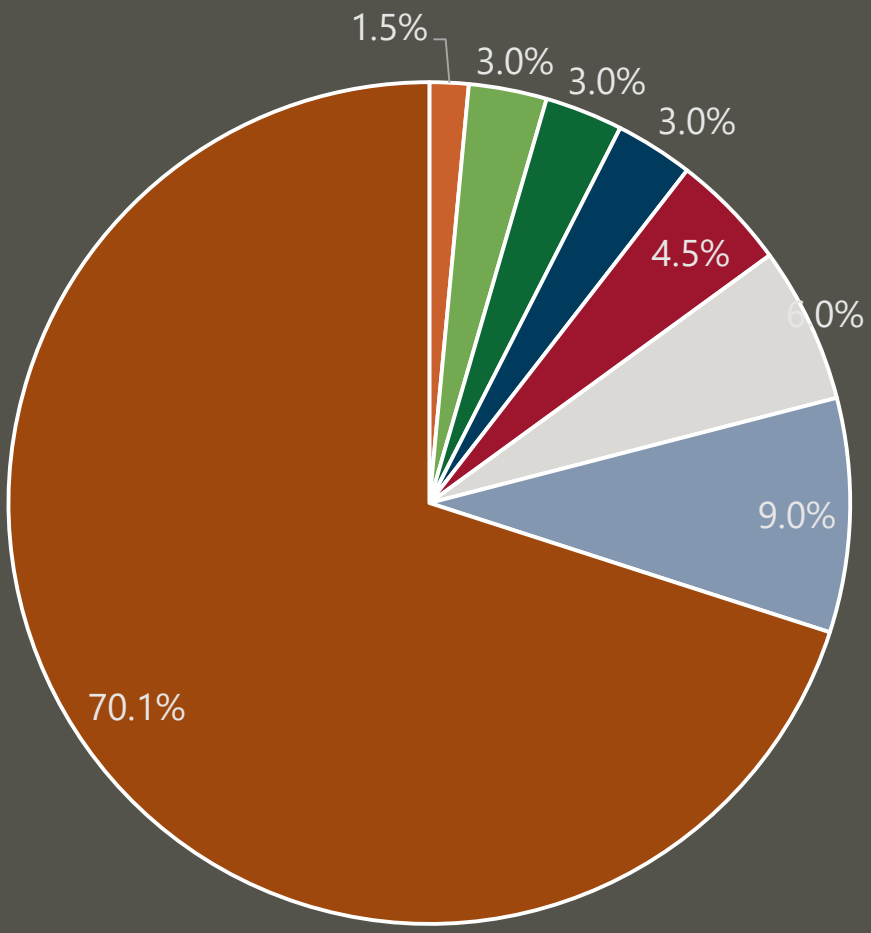
What occupation best describes the position you have accepted or are seeking?

EMPLOYMENT PLANS

For those who have accepted a position:

What type of organization or sector will you work in?

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



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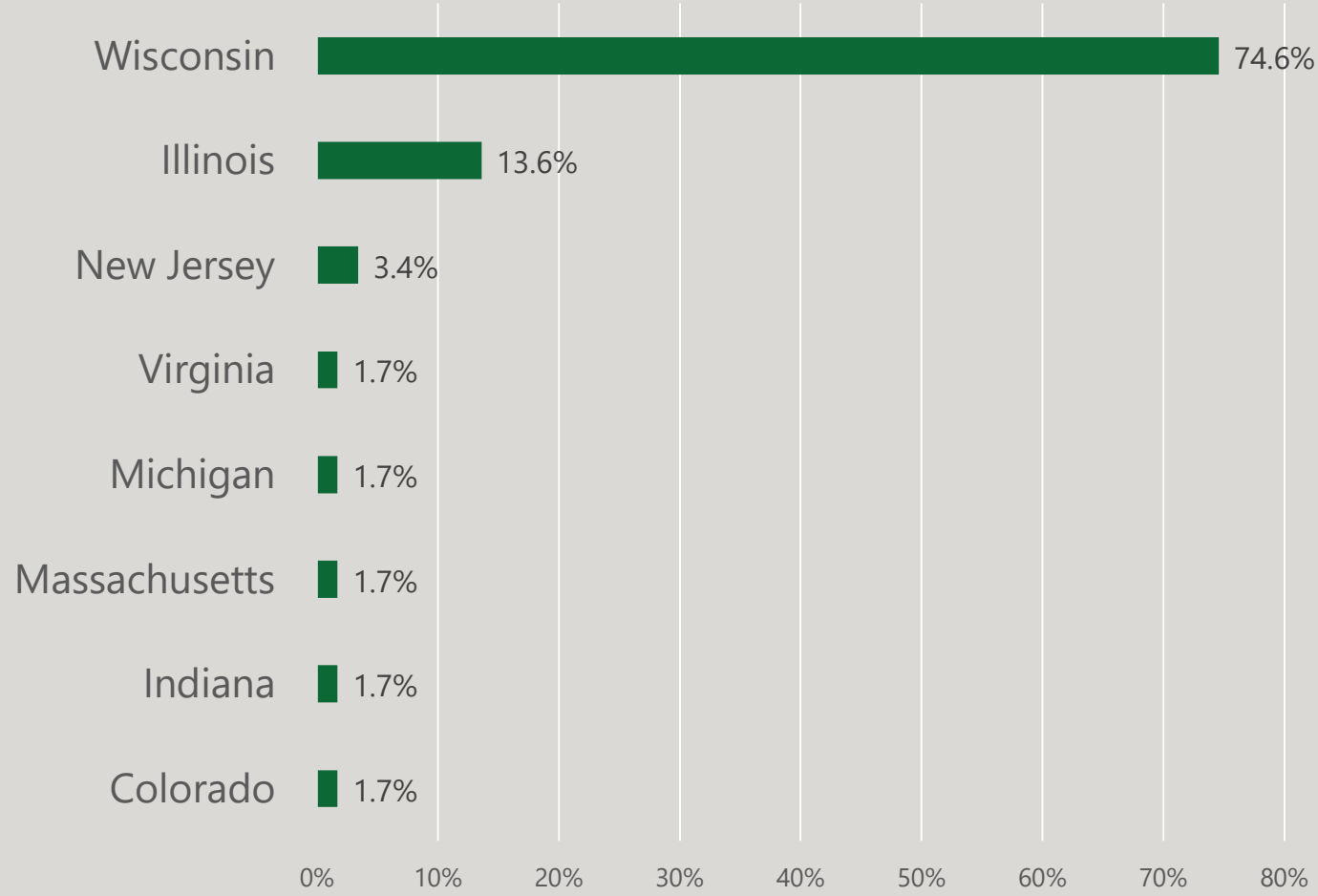
For students who have already accepted a position:
Where is your anticipated work location?



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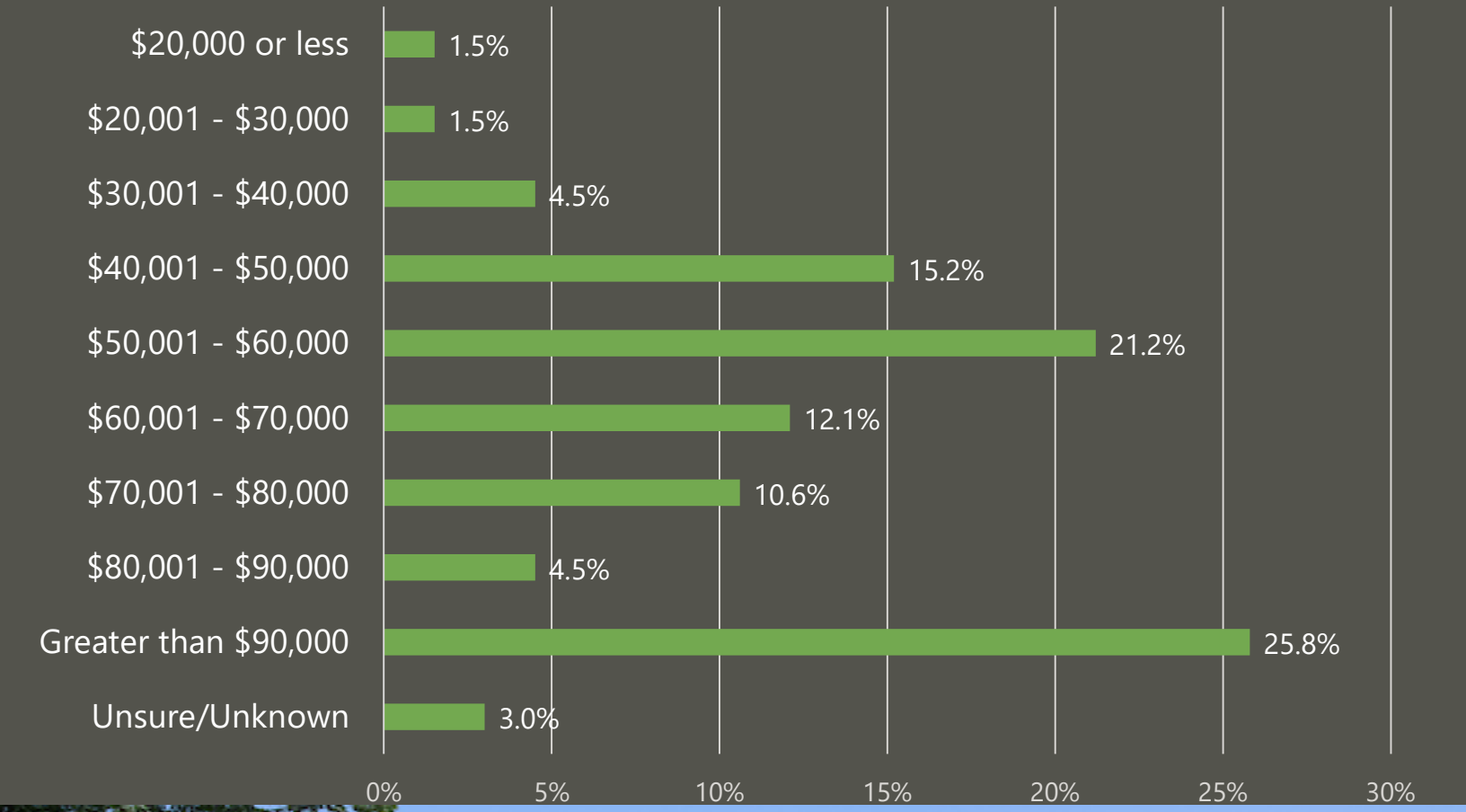
What is your estimated annual income?

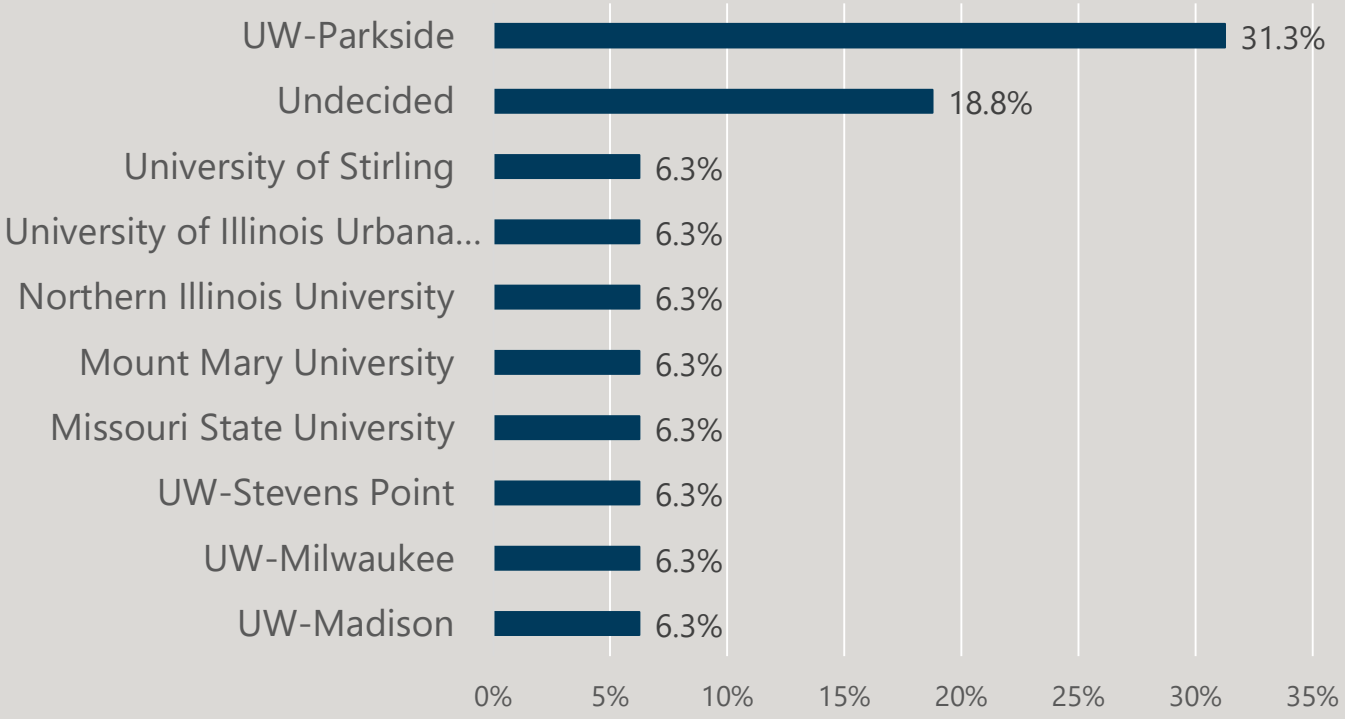


GRADUATE SCHOOL PLANS

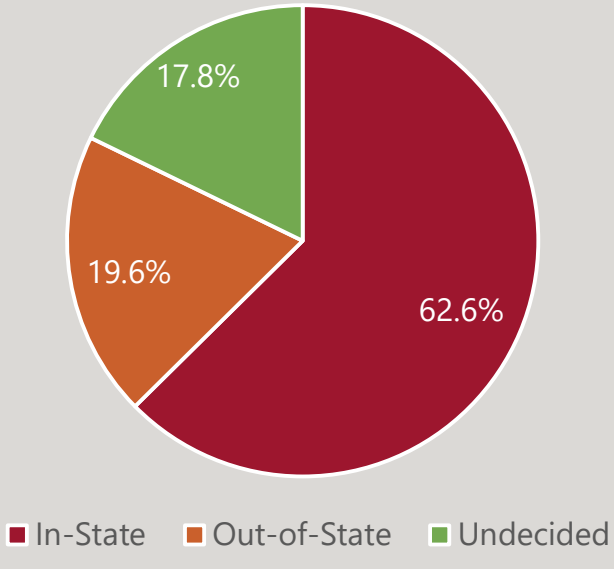
16% of students included attending graduate school (full or part-time) as one of their principle activities upon graduation.

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

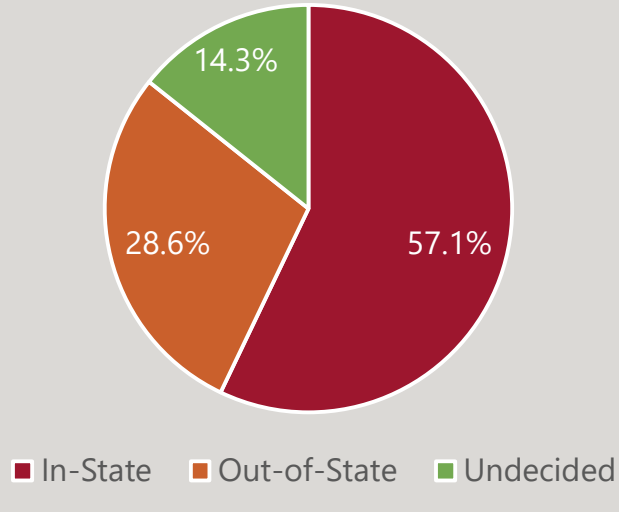
Note: Students may select more than one option



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



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



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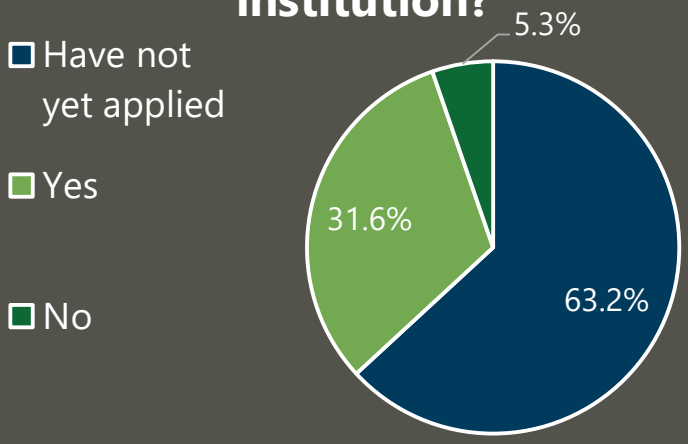
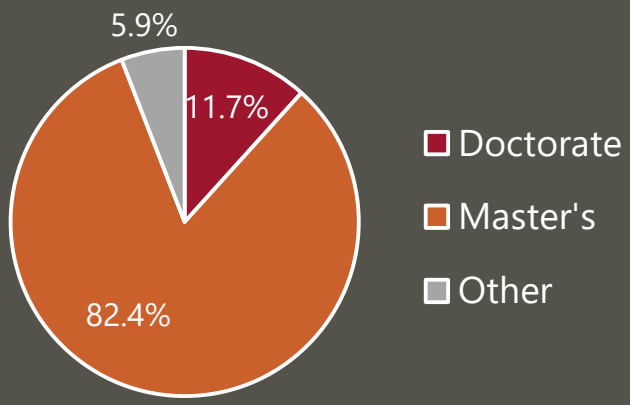
Have you already been accepted to that institution?



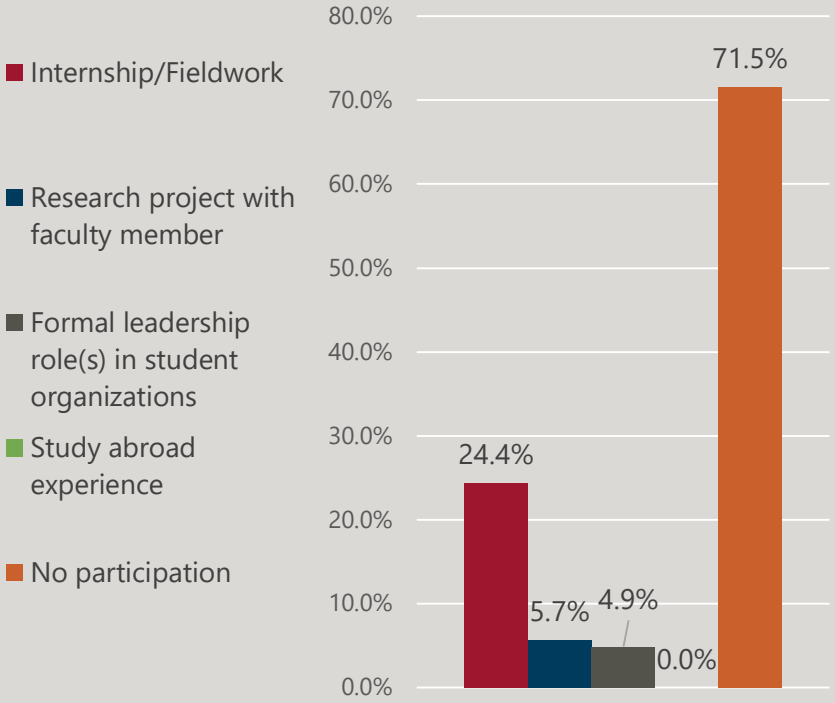
What degree(s) do you intend on pursuing in Graduate school?



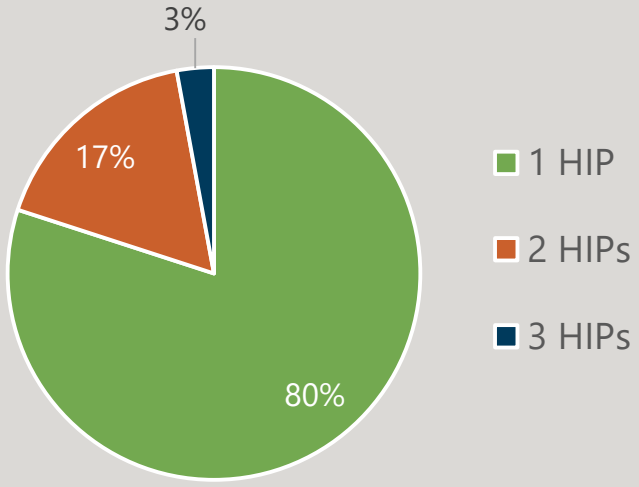
Top 5 Masters Degrees	N	Top 2 Doctorate Degrees	N
Master of Science (MS)	6	Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)	1
Master of Business Administration (MBA)	5	Doctor of Medicine (MD)	1
Master of Arts (MA)	1		
Master of Public Administration (MPA)	1		
Master of Natural Resources (MNR)	1		

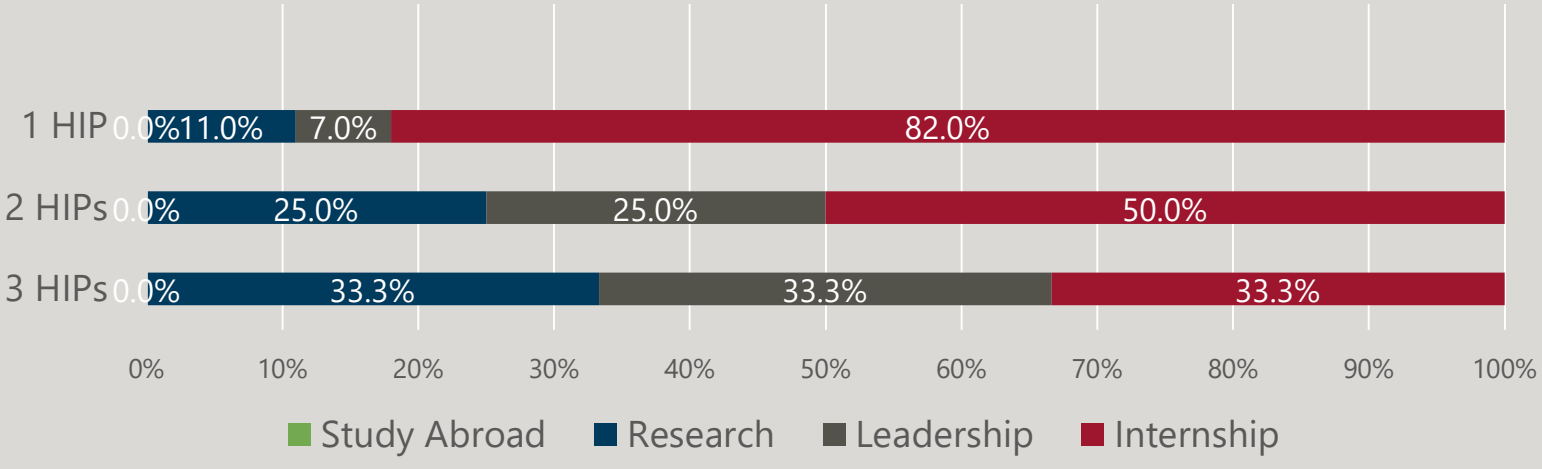
HIGH IMPACT PRACTICES

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





EXTRA CURRICULAR EXPERIENCES

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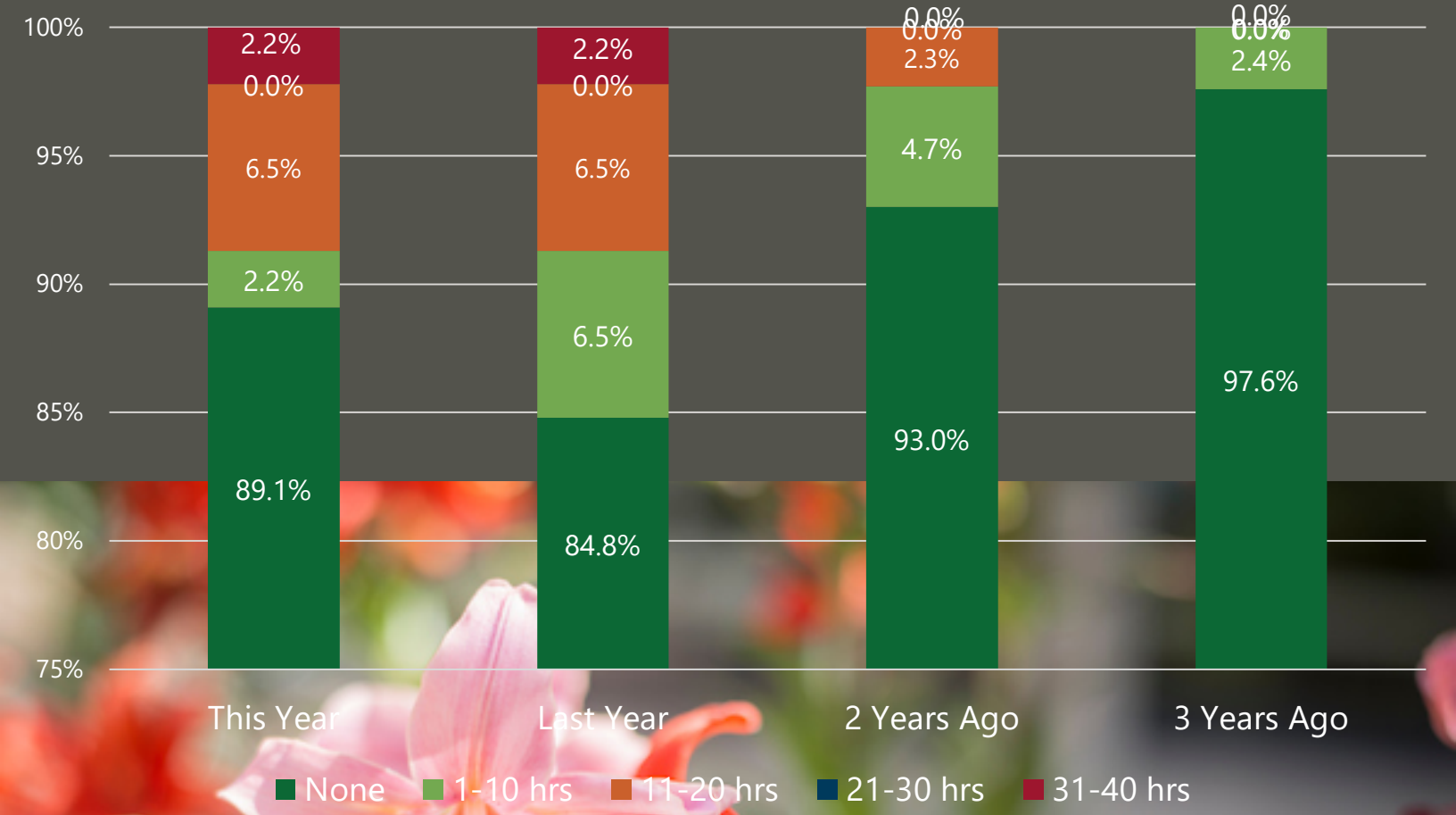

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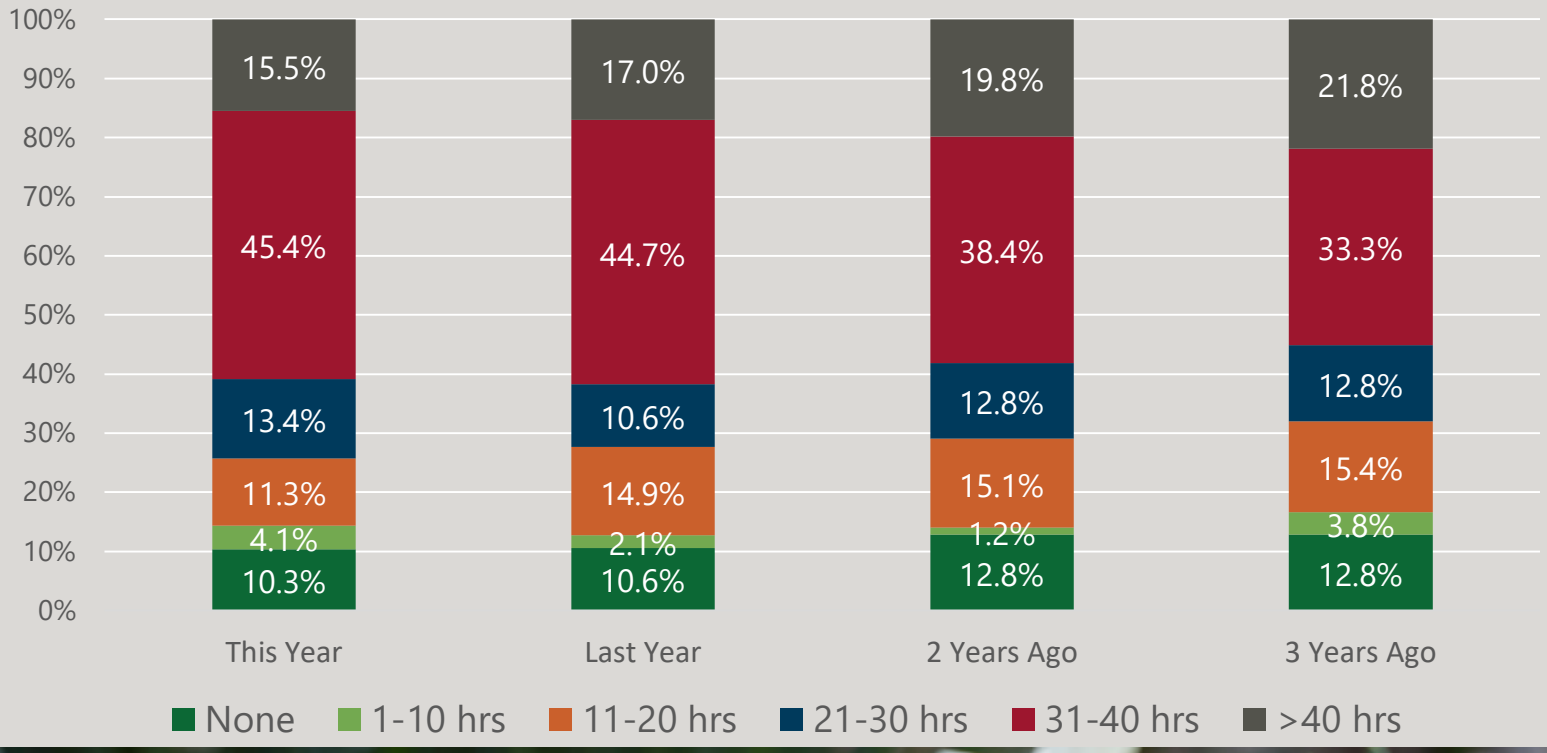

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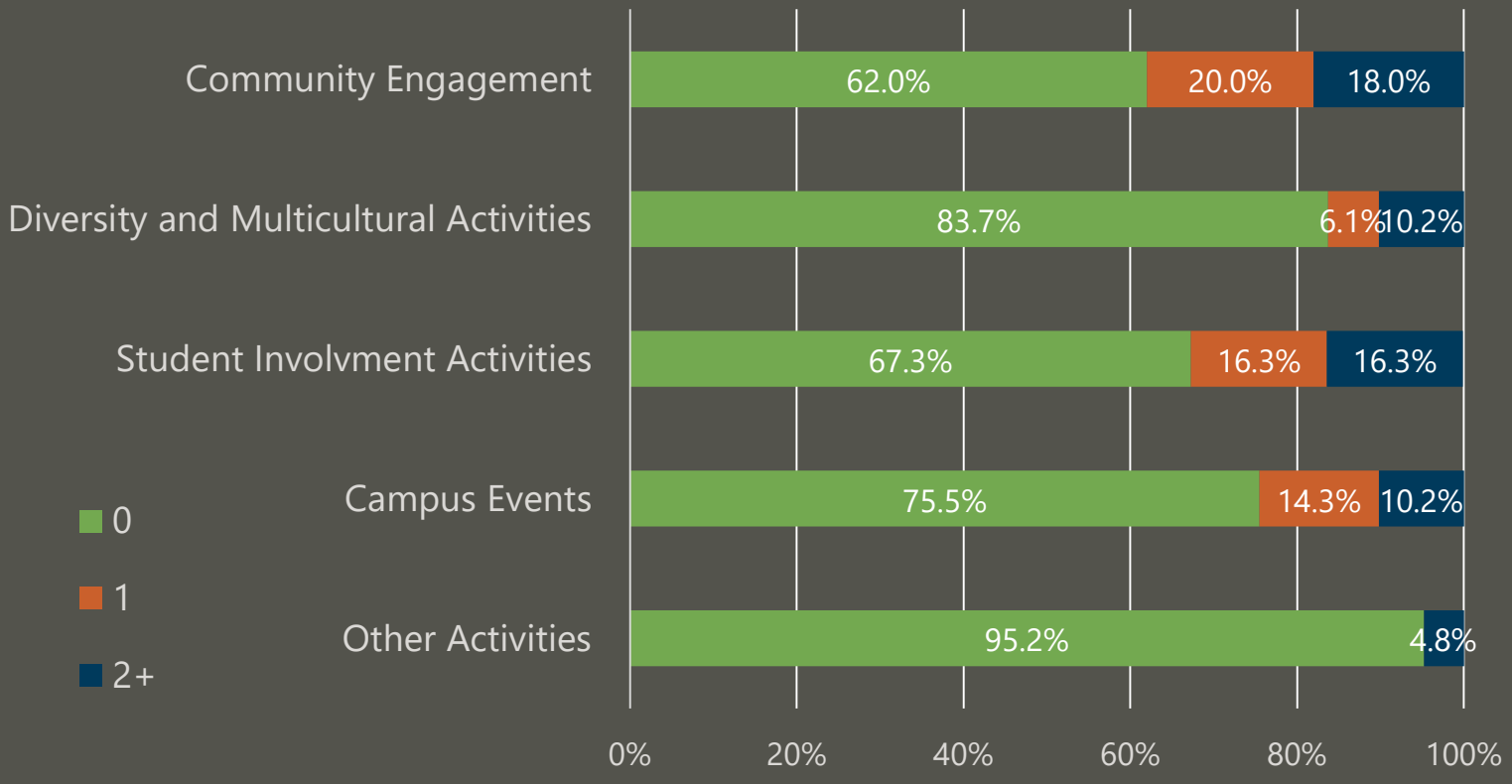
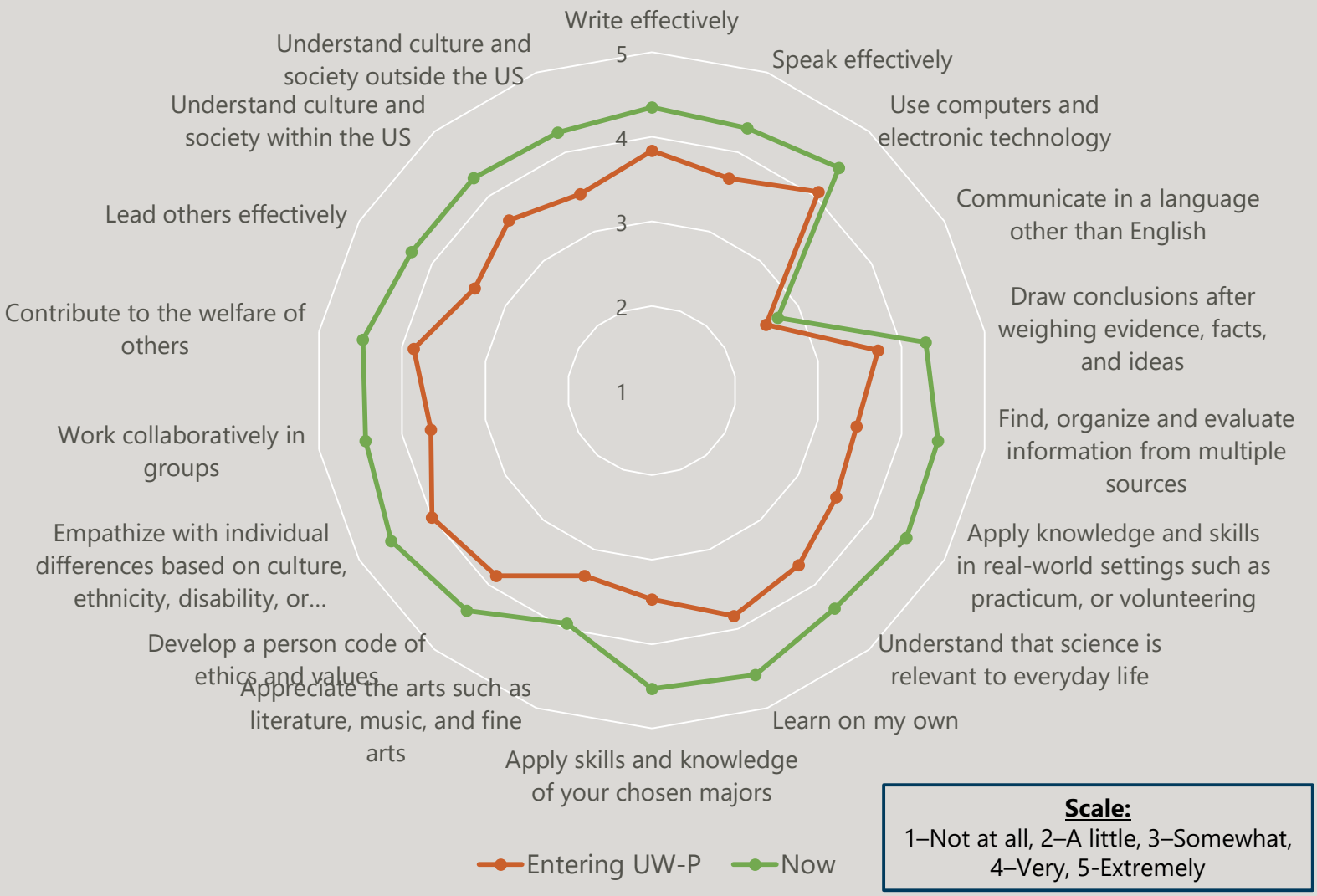
Approximately how often did you participate in the following activities each year at UW-Parkside?



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	1.8%	1.8%	29.8%	43.9%	22.8%	1.8		3.5%	50.9%	43.9%
Speak Effectively	1.8%	10.5%	29.8%	35.1%	22.8%	1.8%		12.3%	38.6%	47.4%
Use Computer Tech	3.5%	0%	21.1%	40.4%	35.1%			5.3%	45.6%	49.1%
Communicate Non-English	26.3%	31.6%	17.5%	8.8%	15.8%	26.3%	22.8%	22.8%	8.8%	19.3%

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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		7.0%	33.3%	40.4%	19.3%			12.5%	46.4%	41.1%
Find, Organize, & Evaluate		14.3%	41.1%	28.6%	16.1%			3.5%	49.1%	47.4%
Apply Skills & Knowledge	5.4%	3.6%	39.3%	37.5%	14.3%			3.6%	44.6%	51.8%
Understand Science		14.0%	28.1%	31.6%	26.3%			7.0%	49.1%	43.9%
Learn on own	1.8%	5.3%	24.6%	43.9%	24.6%		1.8%		36.8%	61.4%
Apply Skills of Major	5.3%	14.0%	29.8%	29.8%	21.1%			5.3%	36.8%	57.9%

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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	5.3%	12.3%	42.1%	24.6%	15.8%	3.5%	1.8%	22.8%	42.1%	29.8%
Develop Personal Ethics		1.8%	31.6%	45.6%	21.1%			8.8%	42.1%	49.1%
Empathize with Different Cultures		1.8%	26.3%	42.1%	29.8%			5.3%	33.3%	61.4%
Work in Groups		10.5%	31.6%	40.4%	17.5%	1.8%		8.8%	33.3%	56.1%
Contribute to Others	1.8%	3.5%	26.3%	43.9%	24.6%	1.8%		7.0%	31.6%	59.6%
Lead Others Effectively	7.0%	15.8%	22.8%	36.8%	17.5%	1.8%		8.8%	47.4%	42.1%
Understand Culture within U.S.		10.5%	38.6%	28.1%	22.8%	1.8%		14.0%	36.8%	47.4%
Understand Culture Outside U.S.		19.3%	35.1%	24.6%	21.1%		3.5%	14.0%	36.8%	45.6%

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.

I have had an overall fantastic experience as a student here. Some of the best people I have ever met are the UW-Parkside faculty. They are truly amazing people who cherish the power of education.

As an online student and a returning adult one at that, it was a difficult road. I had to balance family, full-time work, outside volunteer work as well as other personal matters. The flexibility and the willingness of the professors made it worth while and less stressful to meet a goal...

At UW-Parkside, I really felt welcomed at the college. UW-Parkside is so inclusive, equal, supportive, and fun! I may miss going to UW-Parkside, but I've made some amazing memories as a Ranger...

As a returning and transfer student coming back to school later in life, UW-Parkside was the perfect fit and exceeded all my expectations in obtaining my Art degree.

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