



Graduate Survey Bachelor's Degree Respondents Spring Graduates 2007 519 Respondents*

Employment

1.) What main activities are you engaged in at the present time? (mark all that apply) (Yes = marked; No = not marked)

Yes	N	No	N	
56%	293	44%	226	A Employed 35 or more hours per week
4%	21	96%	498	B Employed in a full-time temporary position (six months or less duration)
18%	92	82%	427	C Employed less than 35 hours per week
13%	66	87%	453	D Actively seeking full-time employment
30%	157	70%	362	E Enrolled in an educational institution
7%	36	93%	483	F Serving an internship required for state or other professional licensing
2%	9	98%	510	G Voluntarily unemployed (e.g., managing home, rearing children)
6%	32	94%	487	H Other, please describe: _____

2.) Which one of the above (Question 1) is your **principal activity**? Please mark the corresponding letter that best describes your principal activity at the current time.

		N		N	
A	53%	276	E	23%	118
B	3%	14	F	3%	17
C	7%	38	G	1%	4
D	7%	35	H	3%	14
			Missing		3
			Total		519

3.) What are your plans for future educational activities? (mark all that apply) (Yes = marked; No = not marked)

Yes	N	No	N	
12%	60	88%	459	I do not plan to go to school again
I plan to attend school some time in the future for the purpose of:				
25%	128	75%	391	Taking interesting classes
19%	98	81%	421	Acquiring job skills
14%	73	86%	446	Obtaining a license authorizing the practice of an occupation
16%	83	84%	436	Obtaining a teaching credential
5%	28	95%	491	Obtaining a second bachelor's degree
58%	301	42%	218	Obtaining a master's degree
18%	95	82%	424	Obtaining a professional or doctor's degree (e.g., medicine, Ph.D., law)
5%	28	95%	491	Other: please describe: _____

4.) When you chose your major, how strongly did you expect to obtain a job directly related to it?

	N	
56%	288	Very strongly
37%	189	Somewhat strongly
8%	39	Not strongly at all
missing	3	
total	519	

IF YOU ARE NOT EMPLOYED, PLEASE SKIP TO QUESTION #17 ON THE LAST PAGE.

5.) What is your current job title? (Please see responses on page 3)

6.) Which factors listed below assisted you in finding your present job? (mark all that apply) (Yes = marked; No = not marked)

Yes	N	No	N	
22%	115	78%	404	Above average G.P.A.
49%	255	51%	264	Academic major
3%	18	97%	501	Double major
5%	24	95%	495	Competence in foreign language
19%	101	81%	418	Competence in English (e.g., literacy, composition)
13%	69	87%	450	Competence in mathematics
30%	155	70%	364	Competence in computers
50%	257	50%	262	Work experience or internship/volunteer experience
18%	92	82%	427	An effective job search campaign
27%	138	73%	381	Extra-curricular experiences providing skills sought by employers
57%	295	43%	224	Personality or interpersonal skills
18%	94	82%	425	Knowing someone who was able to influence the hiring decision
10%	51	90%	468	Other: please describe: _____

7.) What type of organization employs you?

N		
58%	232	Business or industry
8%	30	Government agency (not in education)
17%	69	Educational institution
10%	39	Non-profit organization (not government operated)
3%	10	Self-employed
5%	18	Other; please describe: _____
missing	121	
total	519	

8.) What was your starting monthly salary before deductions? (all respondents)

\$2,595	Mean starting monthly salary
1,422	Standard Deviation
370	N
149	Missing
519	Total

Starting monthly salary
(Principal activity is "Employed 35 or more hours per week")

\$3,055	Mean starting monthly salary
1,348	Standard Deviation
263	N
256	Missing
519	Total

9.) Were you working at your present job before you completed your most recent degree?

N		
23%	92	Yes
77%	307	No
missing	120	
total	519	

10.) To what extent is your job related to your major field of study?

N		
49%	197	Directly related
29%	116	Somewhat related
22%	86	Not related at all
missing	120	
total	519	

11.) If your job is not "directly related" to your major field (i.e., "Somewhat related" or "Not related at all" was marked in Question 10 above), what was your main reason for taking it? (mark only one)

N		
13%	25	Could not find a job in my field
5%	9	Better pay than a job in my field
8%	15	Better opportunity for advancement than my field
10%	19	To see if I liked this kind of work
12%	22	Opportunity to help people or be useful to society
4%	7	Geographical location appealed to me
26%	48	Best opportunity among available jobs
22%	42	Other; please describe: _____
missing	332	
total	519	

12.) What level of education was required for your present job?

N		
1%	3	Master's degree
59%	235	Bachelor's degree
13%	53	Some college
27%	108	No college required
missing	120	
total	519	

13.) To what extent do you feel that your present job contributes to attaining your career goals?

N		
57%	228	A great deal
30%	119	Somewhat
13%	54	Not at all
missing	118	
total	519	

14.) Where is your present job located?

N	
91%	362
8%	33
1%	5
missing	119
total	519

15.) How satisfied are you with your ability to work in a diverse and multicultural workplace?

N	
2%	8
26%	105
72%	286
missing	120
total	519

16.) Did you perform community service while you were enrolled at CSU, Chico?

N	
58%	298
42%	215
missing	6
total	519

If "Yes," number of MONTHS you performed community service while enrolled at CSU, Chico.

13.6	Mean months
14.6	Standard Dev.
283	N
236	Missing
519	Total

If "Yes," average HOURS PER WEEK you performed community service while enrolled at CSU, Chico.

N	
36%	105
29%	84
12%	36
8%	24
8%	24
3%	8
2%	7
1%	2
missing	229
total	519

5.) What is your current job title? (Continued from page 1)

N	
14.4%	56
6.2%	24
5.6%	22
4.1%	21
5.1%	20
4.1%	16
3.8%	15
3.3%	13
3.3%	13
2.8%	11
2.6%	10
2.3%	9
2.1%	8
1.8%	7
1.5%	6
1.5%	6
1.5%	6
1.5%	6
1.3%	5
1.0%	4
1.0%	4
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1.0%	4
1.0%	4
1.0%	4
1.0%	4
0.8%	3
0.8%	3
0.8%	3
0.8%	3
20.5%	80
Missing	129
total	519

Educational Satisfaction

Please rate your satisfaction with the following items. Leave blank any of the items you considered unimportant in regard to your educational plans.

Not very satisfied		Pretty satisfied		Completely satisfied		
%	N	%	N	%	N	
7%	30	61%	273	32%	141	17.) Acquiring a background and an understanding of the humanities and fine arts.
10%	44	61%	273	29%	131	18.) Acquiring a background and an understanding of the biological and physical sciences.
5%	25	51%	238	44%	205	19.) Acquiring a background and an understanding of the behavioral and social sciences.
10%	46	49%	221	40%	180	20.) Acquiring background and specialization for further education in a professional/scientific/scholarly field.
18%	81	44%	201	39%	177	21.) Acquiring vocational training (knowledge and skills directly applicable to a job).
4%	20	33%	167	63%	322	22.) Your ability to write clearly, correctly, and effectively.
2%	9	30%	152	69%	352	23.) Your ability to reason, see relationships, raise questions, examine contrary views, and think critically.
2%	10	31%	154	67%	336	24.) Your ability to participate effectively as a citizen.
2%	12	29%	142	68%	331	25.) Your ability to do university work.
3%	15	35%	180	62%	315	26.) The effort you put into your university education.
7%	35	48%	243	45%	227	27.) Your involvement with faculty.
7%	35	45%	226	49%	246	28.) Your access to faculty outside of the classroom.
3%	15	31%	162	66%	338	29.) Your major course of study.
6%	30	35%	179	59%	305	30.) The quality of your degree program.
4%	19	48%	247	48%	247	31.) Instruction at CSU, Chico.
10%	52	50%	253	39%	197	32.) Your learning opportunities outside of the classroom.
12%	61	49%	239	39%	191	33.) The technology learning environment.
10%	52	38%	196	51%	263	34.) Your ability to take scheduled classes for your major in a timely way.
16%	69	52%	227	32%	140	35.) Your involvement with community service activities.
35%	124	51%	182	14%	51	36.) Your opportunity to participate in university governance.
38%	130	45%	155	17%	60	37.) Your involvement in athletics.
21%	101	49%	238	30%	142	38.) Academic advising.
3%	16	30%	152	67%	340	39.) The value of your CSU, Chico education.
2%	10	29%	148	69%	357	40.) CSU, Chico as a whole.
7%	38	33%	166	60%	306	41.) In general, the way you are spending your life these days?

* Approximately five months after graduation the annual Graduate Survey is mailed to the previous semester's spring graduates. The survey response rate for bachelor's degree respondents in spring 2007 was 32.4%. Please be cautious in interpreting items with a low response rate.