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# **ALL CAMPUS UNDERGRADUATE**





















## 2019-2020 HIGHLIGHTS

#### UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The Illini Success initiative gathers data about the post-graduation pursuits of bachelor's degree recipients at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. This report focuses on experiences of Illinois students who graduated during the 2019-2020 academic year, including August 2019, December 2019, and May 2020 graduation cohorts.

This was an unprecedented year, where our graduates and the university community navigated numerous challenges related to a pandemic that impacted our lives professionally, economically, socially, and personally. It is reasonable to expect that these challenges impacted our degree recipients' post-graduate pursuits and transitions. As such, in 2020 – as in all years, every invitation and discussion of the Illini Success survey was accompanied by invitations for our graduates to receive career services throughout their first-year post-graduation.

We acknowledge that our knowledge rate of graduate outcomes this year is lower than the past. Overall, we have identified the post-graduate outcomes of 57% of our graduates within six months of graduation (as compared to 75% last year). This knowledge rate varies considerably across colleges and majors.

Within the data we have collected, our known secured first destination rate remains high, at 91% of reporting graduates sharing that they are employed, continuing education, or engaged in volunteer or service work (as compared to 93% last year).

Recognizing the lower knowledge rates this year, we encourage caution in the interpretation of these results. Throughout the report, we provide information on sample size and knowledge rates to help our readers make appropriate use of the data.

We also wish to balance our presentation of outcomes. We extend our warm congratulations to graduates who secured employment, enrollment in continuing education, engagement in service roles, or other first destinations. We are proud of their accomplishments in these challenging times, and appreciate when they shared their success stories with us. Additionally, we extend our care and support to those who experienced prolonged challenges and may still be seeking their next steps. We hope that this report can be both a source of joy and of inspiration as we all work toward brighter days ahead.

#### SOME KEY FINDINGS FROM THE 2019-2020 GRADUATING CLASS

57%

knowledge rate of where our graduates have landed

91%

secured a first destination of employment (48%), additional education (42%), or volunteer position (<1%)

75%

of Illinois residents secured their first destination within the state of Illinois (68% of graduates overall remain in Illinois) 46

U.S. states and 27 foreign countries were represented as first destination locations

92%

of graduates report participating in experiential learning opportunities while at Illinois

35%

of graduates who participated in experiential learning opportunities received a full-time job offer as a result



is the average salary reported by full-time employed bachelor's degree graduates across the university

## CAMPUS OVERVIEW







### 2019-2020 Graduate Outcomes

Here is an overview of Illinois graduates' next steps after their undergraduate degrees. Graduates who "secured a first destination" include those who are employed (including military service), enrolled in a continuing education program, or serving in a volunteer organization. Graduates may also be seeking employment or education opportunities, or they have shared other plans (taking time for travel, family, etc.).

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ACES	697	500	72%	84%	42%	42%	<1%	15%	1%
Applied Health Sciences	644	403	63%	90%	21%	68%	1%	10%	<1%
Education	144	130	90%	97%	88%	9%	0%	3%	0%
Fine and Applied Arts	400	176	44%	90%	43%	47%	0%	10%	0%
Gies Business	782	667	85%	97%	66%	31%	0%	3%	0%
Grainger Engineering	1,674	992	59%	95%	57%	38%	0%	5%	<1%
Liberal Arts & Sciences	3,412	1,619	47%	90%	41%	48%	<1%	10%	<1%
Media	343	163	48%	77%	54%	23%	0%	23%	<1%
Social Work	78	58	74%	97%	7%	88%	2%	3%	0%
All Graduates	8,060	4,630	57%	91%	48%	42%	<1%	9%	<1%

## **Employment**

Here are select employers and employment industries that hired 2019-2020 Illinois graduates. These lists are not exhaustive, but rather focus on the employers and industries that hired the greatest number of graduates overall, with attention paid to representing graduates from all Colleges. For greater detail, visit the College pages of this report and the Illini Success website.

#### SELECT EMPLOYERS

#### **Employed more than** 20 graduates

Accenture Amazon Deloitte ΕY **KPMG** Microsoft

PricewaterhouseCoopers

#### **Employed more than** 15 graduates

**Epic Systems** JPMorgan Chase Northrop Grumman PepsiCo Protiviti

#### **Employed more than** 10 graduates

Apple Capital One Caterpillar Crowe Facebook

Medline Industries University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign W.W. Grainger

#### **Employed more than** 5 graduates

AbbVie **Alight Solutions** Amazon Web Services Archer Daniels Midland (ADM) Burns & McDonnell Capgemini General Motors Google IBM John Deere Motorola Solutions

RSM State Farm Insurance

Oracle

#### **Employed graduates**

Abbott Laboratories Academy for Global Citizenship

AmeriCorps BallotReady **Bayer Crop Science** Beck's Hybrids Board of Election Commissioners Booz Allen Hamilton

ByteDance Carle Foundation Hospital Chicago Public Schools Cincinnati Children's Hospital **Medical Center** 

City Year College Possible Collins Aerospace Discover Financial Services Dropbox Duolingo **Echo Global Logistics Grant Thornton** Harvest Table Foods HealthScape Advisors Illinois Farm Bureau Jellyvision

MasterCard Mazda Motor Corporation Micron Technology

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Microsoft Research Morningstar NASA Johnson Space Center National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) National Institutes of Health (NIH) Pharmaceutical Product Development (PPD) Procter & Gamble ProvenAir Technologies Qualtrics Radio Flyer Roblox Sensient Technologies SpaceX Stratton Academy of the Arts Synchrony Financial Teach for America The Climate Corporation The Place for Children with Autism U.S. Department of Agriculture U.S. House of Representatives

#### SELECT INDUSTRIES

#### **Employed more than** 100 graduates

Accounting Banking & Financial Services Consulting Healthcare Services & Hospitals Pre-K - 12 Education

#### **Employed more than** 75 graduates

Computer & Electronic Products High Tech & Information Technology Investment & Finance

#### **Employed more than** 50 graduates

Advertising, PR, & Marketing Agriculture & Agri-Business

Computer Systems Design & Networks Food & Beverage Insurance

#### **Employed more than** 25 graduates

Aerospace & Aviation

**Business Services** Civil Engineering Construction Consumer Services & Products **Higher Education** Internet Local, State, & Federal Government Manufacturing Research & Science Retail Trade

#### **Employed more than** 10 graduates

Animal & Wildlife

Automotive Biotechnology & Life Sciences Chemicals Electronics & Electronic Manufacturing **Environment & Natural** Resources Health, Wellness, & Fitness Human Resources Journalism, Media, & Publishing Legal Services Management Consulting **Medical Devices** Non-Profit & Philanthropy Oil & Gas Pharmaceuticals Real Estate Social & Human Services

Sports & Leisure **Transportation & Logistics** Utilities and Renewable Energy

Vanderbilt University

Medical Center

Vanguard

**VMWare** 

Yelp

#### **Employed graduates**

Architecture & Planning Communication Services **Entrepreneurial & Start-Ups** Hotel, Restaurant, & Hospitality International Affairs Law Enforcement & Security Mechanical & Industrial Engineering Mining & Metals Museums, Historical Sites, & Libraries Performing & Fine Arts Plastics & Rubber Products Scientific & Technical Consulting Veterinary Waste Management

## Annual Salary of Full-Time Employed Graduates

Across our 2019-2020 graduating class respondents, 61% of full-time employed respondents reported salaries, averaging \$65,178. In addition, 28% reported signing bonuses, with a median of \$5,000.

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ACES	201	118	\$53,571	\$46,000	\$55,000	\$60,000	26	\$3,000
Applied Health Sciences	76	36	\$47,034	\$35,000	\$48,000	\$60,000	7	\$5,000
Education	113	33	\$45,934	\$41,000	\$44,500	\$50,174	-	_
Fine and Applied Arts	66	26	\$46,731	\$42,000	\$45,000	\$50,000	-	-
Gies Business	436	271	\$67,028	\$60,000	\$66,000	\$73,000	176	\$5,000
Grainger Engineering	553	424	\$86,149	\$70,000	\$79,000	\$100,000	273	\$8,000
Liberal Arts & Sciences	638	363	\$58,057	\$41,000	\$57,750	\$72,000	121	\$5,000
Media	85	45	\$47,122	\$38,000	\$43,000	\$54,000	9	\$5,000
Social Work*	12	10	\$33,480	\$30,500	\$33,000	\$34,500	-	-
All Graduates	2,154	1,307	\$65,178	\$50,000	\$65,000	\$76,000	595	\$5,000

<sup>\*</sup> In cases where we have fewer than 10 employed graduates and fewer than 5 graduates reporting a salary in 2019-2020, we combine responses with the 2018-2019 class in order to provide salary information while protecting the confidentiality and privacy of survey respondents.

## **Continuing Education**

Here we provide information about the graduate and professional school choices of 2019-2020 Illinois graduates. These lists are not exhaustive, but rather focus on the institutions and programs of study that enrolled the greatest number of graduates overall, with attention paid to representing graduates from all Colleges. For greater detail, visit the College pages of this report and the Illini Success website.

#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

#### **Enrolled more than** 800 graduates

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

#### **Enrolled more than** 20 graduates

DePaul University Loyola University Chicago Northwestern University Rush University University of Illinois Chicago University of Michigan University of Wisconsin-Madison

#### **Enrolled more than** 15 graduates

Carnegie Mellon University Columbia University Cornell University Midwestern University Stanford University University of Chicago

#### **Enrolled more than** 10 graduates

Marquette University Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science Southern Illinois University Edwardsville University of Pennsylvania

#### **Enrolled more than** 5 graduates

**Duke University** Eastern Illinois University Elmhurst University Governors State University Illinois State University Johns Hopkins University Lewis University Loyola University Chicago. School of Law Loyola University Chicago, Stritch School of Medicine

#### Massachusetts Institute New York University

Georgia Institute of Technology Northern Illinois University **Purdue University** Roosevelt University Saint Louis University Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Texas A&M University The Chicago School

of Technology

of Professional Psychology University of California, Berkeley University of California, Los Angeles

University of California, San Diego University of Illinois Springfield University of Illinois College of Law University of Illinois College of Medicine

University of Minnesota-Twin Cities University of Southern California University of Washington-

Seattle Washington University

#### **Enrolled graduates**

Arizona State University Boston Conservatory at Berklee Bristol Old Vic Theatre School **Brown University** California College of the Arts College of William & Mary Colorado State University Georgetown University Harvard University Illinois College of Optometry John Marshall Law School Lakeview College of Nursing Oregon State University Princeton University Southern Illinois University,

School of Medicine St. Louis College of Pharmacy Stockholm University The Ohio State University University of Hawai'i at Manoa University of Oxford Vanderbilt University Weill Cornell Medicine Yale University

#### **SELECT AREA OF STUDY**

#### **Enrolled more than** 100 graduates

Accountancy Business & Management Computer & Electrical Engineering Health Professions & Sciences

#### **Enrolled more than** 50 graduates

Aerospace, Materials, & Mechanical Engineering **Biological & Biomedical Sciences** Civil. Environmental. & Industrial Engineering Computer & Information Sciences Education & Teaching Legal Professions & Studies Medicine

Psychology

Social Work

#### **Enrolled more than** 25 graduates

& Chemical Engineering Architecture & Landscape Architecture Data Science & Informatics Human Resources & Labor Relations Mathematics & Statistics Nursina

Visual & Performing Arts

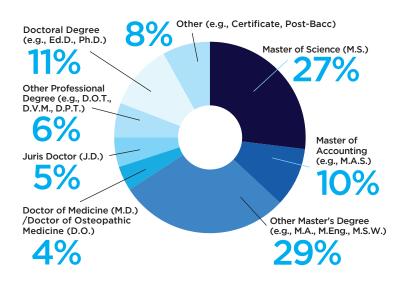
**Physical Sciences** 

Agricultural, Biological,

#### **Enrolled more than** 10 graduates

Animal Sciences Communication & Journalism Community & Public Health **Environment & Natural Resources** Finance Health Administration Liberal Arts & Sciences /Humanities

#### **DEGREES SOUGHT**

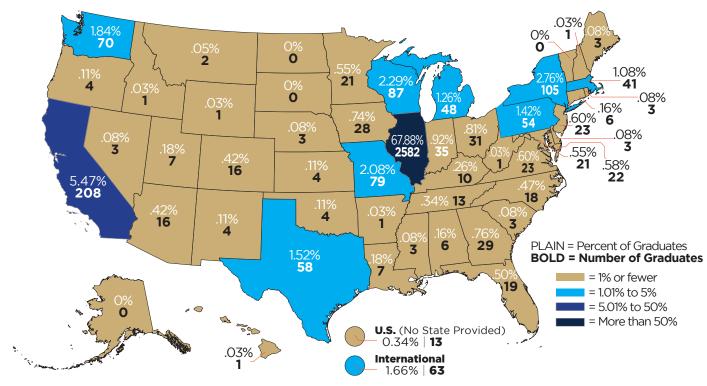


1,515 Respondents

<sup>-</sup> If fewer than 5 full-time employed graduates from a College report a signing bonus in 2019-2020, the table indicates this with dashes as signing bonus information cannot be shared.

## Geographic Locations

As shared by 3,805 graduates, the majority of our 2019-2020 class (68%) chose a first destination within the state of Illinois, with an additional 20% selecting other U.S. destinations. Some of the most common U.S. destinations outside Illinois included states such as California, Missouri, New York, Texas, Washington, and Wisconsin. An additional 2% of graduates indicated a variety of international locations across the world, including Canada, China, France, Indonesia, Japan, The Netherlands, Pakistan, Singapore, South Korea, and the United Kingdom.



## **Experiential Learning**

Experiential learning activities connect classroom knowledge to the world in which students live and work. These experiences help students explore career and personal interests, develop transferable skills, expand networks and references, and strengthen their portfolios as they prepare to transition beyond their bachelor's degrees. Here is a snapshot of how they gained experience, as shared by 2,605 graduates. Note that graduates could report multiple experiential learning activity types.

<b>Experiential Learning Activity</b>	Number of Respondents	Percentage of Respondents
Internships	1,912	73%
Undergraduate research projects	859	33%
Study abroad	688	26%
Service learning/volunteering	533	20%
Assistantships	428	16%
Field experiences/practicums	335	13%
Student teaching	201	8%
Clinical experiences	189	7%
Co-ops	127	5%
I did not complete any of the above	185	<b>7</b> %
I'd rather not answer	24	1%

of graduates reported participating in experiential learning

of graduates who participated in experiential learning activities received a full-time job offer as a result

## THE COLLEGES & SCHOOLS















## College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences



**GRADUATE STORIES** 

#### Oakely Whalen

Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications, May 2020

I loved the Organizational and Community Leadership concentration within our major. It focuses on learning about yourself and others. The classes teach you how to accelerate your soft skills so you can work with people with a variety of skills sets and in different environments. In one class, we conducted a needs assessment for a local business. The experience has translated into lifelong skills, such as data collection, analysis and making recommendations for improvements.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES

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Agricultural & Consumer Economics	203	138	68%	85%	59%	26%	0%	14%	1%
Agricultural Leadership & Science Education	31	26	84%	92%	69%	23%	0%	8%	0%
Animal Sciences	122	87	71%	79%	17%	62%	0%	21%	0%
Crop Sciences & Horticulture	37	28	76%	82%	50%	32%	0%	14%	4%
Food Science & Human Nutrition	99	73	74%	90%	24%	66%	0%	7%	3%
Human Development & Family Studies	73	56	77%	88%	25%	63%	0%	12%	0%
Natural Resources & Environmental Sciences	67	47	70%	67%	35%	30%	2%	33%	0%
Technical Systems Management	68	48	71%	90%	69%	21%	0%	10%	0%
All ACES	697	500	72%	84%	42%	42%	<1%	15%	1%

#### **SELECT EMPLOYERS**

Advanced Agrilytics **AgReliant Genetics** Amazon

Archer Daniels Midland (ADM) Bank of America Beck's Hybrids

**BMO Harris Bank** Busey Wealth Management

Cardno Cargill Caterpillar **CGB** Enterprises Charles River Laboratories Children's Home & Aid Clark Construction Consolidated Grain & Barge Corteva Agriscience

**GDM Seeds** General Mills Granular GROWMARK/FS Illinois Farm Bureau John Deere JPMorgan Chase **KPMG** McAdam Financial

Mondelez International

Morningstar Northrup Grumman PepsiCo Prinova Raytheon Technologies The Kraft Heinz Company The Place for Children with Autism The Scoular Company W.W. Grainger Wyffels Hybrids

#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

**Boston University** Case Western Reserve University Clark University Cornell University Erikson Institute Florida State University Georgetown University Illinois State University Iowa State University Kansas State University Loyola University Chicago

New York Law School New York University Northwestern University Oklahoma State University Purdue University Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science Rush University Rutgers University-New Brunswick St. George's University

Midwestern University

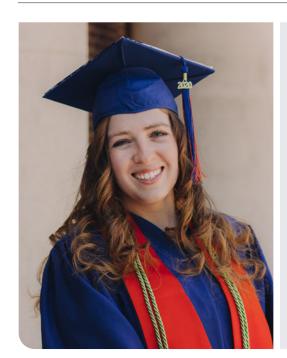
State University of New York at Buffalo The Ohio State University Triton College **Tufts University** University College Dublin University of California, Berkeley University of Chicago University of Illinois Chicago University of Illinois Springfield University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

University of Maryland, College Park University of Michigan University of Minnesota-Twin Cities University of Missouri-Columbia University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill University of Pennsylvania University of Wisconsin-Madison Washington University

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Agricultural & Consumer Economics	79	53	\$54,090	\$50,000	\$55,000	\$60,000	14	\$3,000
Agricultural Leadership & Science Education	17	10	\$51,970	\$45,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	-	-
Animal Sciences	14	5	\$34,400	\$30,000	\$30,500	\$32,000	-	_
Crop Sciences & Horticulture	14	10	\$54,889	\$50,000	\$58,000	\$64,000	-	-
Food Science & Human Nutrition	18	10	\$59,680	\$47,800	\$62,500	\$70,000	-	_
Human Development & Family Studies*	33	12	\$38,785	\$31,210	\$40,000	\$45,500	-	
Natural Resources & Environmental Sciences	14	8	\$37,750	\$33,000	\$35,000	\$42,750		
Technical Systems Management	31	19	\$61,871	\$55,000	\$62,000	\$66,560	6	\$3,000
All ACES	201	118	\$53,571	\$46,000	\$55,000	\$60,000	26	\$3,000

<sup>\*</sup> See note on salary tables on page 29 of the Methods section.

## College of Applied Health Sciences



**GRADUATE STORIES** 

#### Mikayla Pollard

Speech & Hearing Science, May 2020

[majored] Speech and Hearing Science with a concentration in Speech Pathology, along with a minor in Psychology. I knew both areas would provide the opportunity to work with diverse populations with unique needs, and to make a positive impact on clients' lives. But, I still wasn't sure exactly which path I wanted to take... To help guide me, I became actively engaged in several internship and leadership opportunities on campus where I worked on multidisciplinary teams and was exposed to the roles that a variety of professions play in the advocacy arena, which led me down the path I am taking today.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES

MAJOR	Hurnitet G	aduates Aumbest	ponded pont	seched	tination tinaloys	Continuit	ation Voluntee	seeking	Other
Community Health	183	105	57%	90%	30%	59%	1%	10%	0%
Interdisciplinary Health Sciences	103	68	66%	87%	21%	66%	0%	13%	0%
Kinesiology	179	111	62%	88%	16%	71%	1%	11%	1%
Recreation, Sport & Tourism	99	49	49%	86%	35%	51%	0%	14%	0%
Speech & Hearing Science	80	70	88%	97%	9%	88%	0%	3%	0%
All Applied Health Sciences	644	403	63%	90%	21%	68%	1%	10%	<1%

#### SELECT EMPLOYERS

Arkham Elite Marketing Bickford of Oswego Biolife Plasma Services Blue Cross and Blue Shield **Boston Medical Center** Bright Cellars Busey Bank BY YOUR SIDE-**Autism Therapy Services** 

Cerner Corporation Chestnut Mountain Resort Chicago Fire FC Christie Clinic Clark-Lindsey Village Claro Healthcare CVS Health DuPage County Health Department

Carle Foundation Hospital

DuPage Medical Group EPSi.io Hatha Yoga & Fitness Manhattan Park District Marsh & McLennan Medline Industries MedOp Solutions Midwest Express Clinic **Nordic Consulting** Northwell Health

Northwestern Memorial Hospital Northwestern University Oak Street Health Stephens Family YMCA Twitch University of Chicago University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Division of Intercollegiate Athletics **VIPKid** 

#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

**Baylor University** Cornell University DePaul University Eastern Illinois University **Elmhurst University** Georgetown University Georgia Southern University Goldfarb School of Nursing Governors State University Illinois State University Indiana University Bloomington Johns Hopkins University

Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine Loyola University Chicago Marquette University Midwestern University Northern Illinois University Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine Pennsylvania State University Purdue University Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science

Rush University, Medical Center Saint Louis University, School of Medicine Saint Xavier University Southern Illinois University, School of Medicine St. Louis College of Pharmacy Texas A&M University The Chicago School of Professional Psychology **Tufts University Tulane University** 

University of Chicago University of Cincinnati University of Illinois Chicago University of Kentucky University of Memphis University of Michigan University of Minnesota-Twin Cities University of Texas at Austin University of Washington-Seattle University of Wisconsin-Madison Washington University in St. Louis, School of Medicine

MAJOR	tirklovedute	Graduates Graduates	Average Average	25th ercent	50th ercer	15th ecentil	Graduates ind	Redianting the
Community Health	28	17	\$59,280	\$50,000	\$65,000	\$68,000	5	\$5,000
Interdisciplinary Health Sciences	13	7	\$41,429	\$30,000	\$38,000	\$55,000	-	-
Kinesiology*	47	11	\$35,636	\$31,000	\$35,000	\$41,000	-	-
Recreation, Sport & Tourism	16	8	\$42,000	\$35,000	\$44,000	\$45,000	-	-
Speech & Hearing Science*	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	_
All Applied Health Sciences	76	36	\$47,034	\$35,000	\$48,000	\$60,000	7	\$5,000

<sup>\*</sup> See note on salary tables on page 29 of the Methods section.

## College of Education



**GRADUATE STORIES** 

#### **Yera Shin**

Middle Grades Education, May 2020

66 I am in my first year as a World Language Teacher at Newark Public Schools in New Jersey. I am the first Spanish teacher here in over 10 years. There is a lot of curriculum development to do. It has been particularly interesting to rebuild this role as a first-year teacher in the midst of a pandemic. But, Illinois taught me how to do this, Teach for America provides great resources, and the staff at my school supports me well.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES

MAJOR	Hurnbert of	Aun des	ponded pont	secured sections	ination byein	Continuin	dior Johnsey	seeking	Other
Early Childhood and Elementary Education	81	73	90%	96%	89%	7%	0%	4%	0%
Learning and Education Studies	13	9	69%	89%	11%	78%	0%	11%	0%
Middle Grades Education	24	23	96%	100%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Special Education	26	25	96%	100%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
All Education	144	130	90%	97%	88%	9%	0%	3%	0%

#### SELECT EMPLOYERS

Academy for Global Citizenship Alfred Nobel Elementary School Amos Alonzo Stagg High School Anne Fox Elementary School Bottenfield Elementary School Bronzeville Classical

Elementary School Central Elementary School Chatham Elementary School Chauncey H. Duker School Chicago Academy High School Covington Elementary School Crete-Monee High School Deer Path Middle School Dever Elementary School Disney II Magnet High School East Prairie Middle School Edgewood Middle School Elmer H. Franzen Intermediate School

Field Park Elementary School Gemini Middle School Glenside Middle School Granger Middle School Havenwood Nature School Hawthorn School for Young Learners Highcrest Middle School Hillcrest Elementary School Horizon Science Academy Southwest Chicago Hunting Ridge Elementary School Indian Grove Elementary School International Prep Academy Jackson Elementary School Jefferson Middle School John Laidlaw Elementary School Kipling Elementary School KIPP Camino Academy La Grange Area Department

Lee R. Foster Elementary School Liberty Elementary School Lycée Anna de Noailles Maddock Elementary School Mannheim Middle School Meadowbrook Elementary School

Minooka Intermediate School Next Generation School Northlawn Junior High School Northwest Middle School Oak Lawn-Hometown Middle School Oak Park Building Blocks Old Quarry Middle School

Palos West Elementary School

Passow Elementary School

Pleasant Acres Elementary School Prairiewood Elementary School Seattle Country Day School South Loop

Montessori School Spencer Loomis

Elementary School St. Jerome's Catholic School Stratton Academy of the Arts Sullivan High School Thomas Middle School Thomas Paine

Elementary School Thomasboro Grade School Urbana School District 116 Westbrook School

for Young Learners Willows Academy Winston Churchill School Woodlawn Middle School Yavneh Day School

#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

DePaul University San Jose State University University of Illinois Chicago University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

of Special Education

University of Notre Dame University of Pennsylvania University of Utah

MAJOR	Employeduate	Graduates Graduates	Average Average	25th percent	goth ercent	Jethercentile
Early Childhood and Elementary Education	65	15	\$45,729	\$40,000	\$44,500	\$50,000
Learning and Education Studies*	_	-	_	_	_	_
Middle Grades Education*	22	9	\$47,186	\$41,000	\$45,500	\$50,174
Special Education	25	8	\$47,267	\$42,500	\$44,500	\$52,817
All Education	113	33	\$45,934	\$41,000	\$44,500	\$50,174

<sup>\*</sup> See note on salary tables on page 29 of the Methods section.

## College of Fine + Applied Arts



**GRADUATE STORIES** 

#### **Hayley Peterson**

Graphic Design, May 2020

66 Design has been such a unique fit for me because I have always had a problem-solving mind... I see design as the intersection of art and problem solving... and I found myself so intrigued by the research my art and design professors were doing in their field, whether it was art history, data visualization, or design thinking. We are so fortunate at Illinois to have direct access to experts who are engaged in research and continuing to learn along with us.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES

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Architecture	91	50	55%	90%	22%	68%	0%	10%	0%
Art & Design	158	42	27%	86%	64%	22%	0%	14%	0%
Dance, Music, & Theatre	121	69	57%	96%	47%	49%	0%	4%	0%
Landscape Architecture & Urban & Regional Planning	41	21	51%	86%	43%	43%	0%	14%	0%
All Fine + Applied Arts	400	176	44%	90%	43%	47%	0%	10%	0%

#### SELECT EMPLOYERS

Abbott Laboratories creative werks Amelia Carriel Junior High School Cushman & Wakefield Deaconess Hospital Bailev Edward Baltimore Center Stage **DLZ** Corporation Brook Park Holdings Festival 56 **Brunswick Corporation** Hitchcock Design Group Bryan Middle School Butler Junior High School **INSPIRE Entertainment** Chicago Tech Academy High School Kane County Division Concordia Wireless

Cordogan Clark & Associates Deerfield Public School District 109 Hoffman Estates High School of Transportation

Kimley-Horn River Trail School Larkin High School Salt Fork High School Schaumburg Community Madden Media Consolidated School District 54 MasTec Network Solutions Schneider Electric Southwest Conservation Corps Nelson Liaw Architects Steel City Academy Next Generation School SUAVV Magazine Velocity Dance Center Northrop Grumman Wayland Union High School Northside College Prep William Howard Taft High School Pioneer Realty Group XL Construction

#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

Arizona State University Boston Conservatory at Berklee Bristol Old Vic Theatre School California College of the Arts Cardiff University Carnegie Mellon University College for Creative Studies-Taubman Center Cornell University

DePaul University Eastern Illinois University Eastman School of Music Florida International University Georgia Institute of Technology Harvard University, Graduate School of Design

Louisiana State University McGill University Naropa University

New York University **Rush University** University of Cambridge University of Cincinnati University of Colorado Boulder University of Florida University of Kansas University of Michigan University of Minnesota -Twin Cities

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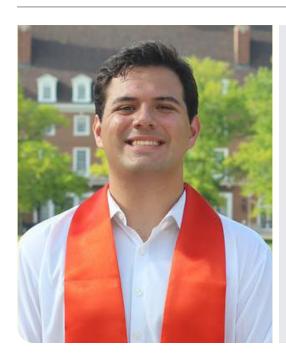
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University of Pennsylvania University of Southern California University of Toronto University of Washington -Seattle University of Wisconsin -Milwaukee Washington University

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Architecture*	23	9	\$52,444	\$50,000	\$52,000	\$60,000
Art & Design	27	8	\$45,875	\$41,500	\$47,000	\$50,000
Dance, Music, & Theatre	23	9	\$52,809	\$42,000	\$44,279	\$45,000
Landscape Architecture & Urban & Regional Planning*	30	15	\$50,996	\$46,250	\$50,000	\$57,000
All Fine + Applied Arts	66	26	\$46,731	\$42,000	\$45,000	\$50,000

<sup>\*</sup> See note on salary tables on page 29 of the Methods section.

## Gies College of Business



**GRADUATE STORIES** 

#### Jose Del Real

Information Systems, May 2020

I became involved in organizations like the Association for Latino Professionals for America and Illinois Business Consulting that provided hands-on experiences. These opportunities helped me know how I wanted to apply my Information Systems knowledge. We worked with teams from diverse backgrounds - both ethnic backgrounds and academic backgrounds. I learned that I thrived in the space between the business students and the engineering students. I was technical enough to understand what the engineers were saying, and I could translate it in ways for the business students to understand and apply. That's my comfort zone. I am the glue between these groups.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES

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Accountancy	374	337	90%	99%	47%	52%	0%	1%	0%
Finance	256	218	85%	99%	84%	15%	0%	1%	0%
Information Systems	161	132	82%	96%	81%	15%	0%	4%	0%
Management	61	49	80%	94%	69%	25%	0%	6%	0%
Marketing	126	104	83%	94%	84%	10%	0%	6%	0%
Operations Management	20	16	80%	88%	82%	6%	0%	12%	0%
Supply Chain Management	54	45	83%	96%	96%	0%	0%	4%	0%
All Gies Business	782	667	85%	97%	66%	31%	0%	3%	0%

#### SELECT EMPLOYERS

AbbVie Accenture ALDI Alight Solutions Allstate Insurance Company Amazon

Bain & Company Baird

Baker Tilly Virchow Krause Bank of America Baxter International **BDO USA** 

**BMO Harris Bank** Boeina Busey Bank Capgemini Caterpillar

Chicago White Sox CIBC

Citigroup Coyote Logistics Crowe Horwath

Deloitte Echo Global Logistics

Eight Eleven Group Eli Lilly & Co.

FTI Consulting Galt & Company **Grant Thornton HBR** Consulting HealthScape Advisors Houlihan Lokey Huron Consulting Group

Moelis & Company Morningstar Motorola Solutions Nielsen Northern Trust Corporation Northwestern Mutual

PepsiCo

JPMorgan Chase

Lincoln International

Madison Industries

Medline Industries

McDonald's

Microsoft

Miller Cooper

Kohl's

**KPMG** 

PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)

Protiviti Rödl & Partner

RSM Salesforce

Sandia National Laboratories

Shell Teach for America

The Kraft Heinz Company The Walt Disney Company True Partners Consulting

US Foods Visa

W.W. Grainger William Blair Zurich North America

#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

Columbia University Cornell University DePaul University **Duke University** 

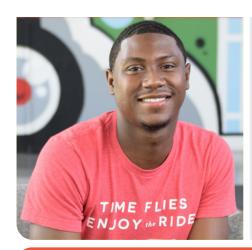
George Washington University University of California, Los Angeles University of Chicago

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

University of Notre Dame University of Pennsylvania University of Southern California Yale University

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Accountancy	155	93	\$68,629	\$62,000	\$67,750	\$75,000	62	\$5,000
Finance	181	119	\$70,009	\$63,000	\$70,000	\$79,500	86	\$5,000
Information Systems	107	74	\$69,065	\$63,000	\$70,000	\$75,000	51	\$5,000
Management	34	18	\$61,361	\$55,000	\$60,000	\$69,000	8	\$5,500
Marketing	87	57	\$61,264	\$53,000	\$63,000	\$69,000	32	\$5,000
Operations Management	13	9	\$70,250	\$67,000	\$69,500	\$76,000	6	\$5,000
Supply Chain Management	42	31	\$67,196	\$63,500	\$67,250	\$71,000	22	\$5,000
All Gies Business	436	271	\$67,028	\$60,000	\$66,000	\$73,000	176	\$5,000

## Grainger College of Engineering



**GRADUATE STORIES** 

#### Akeem Kennedy

Electrical Engineering, December 2019

66 The support that I found [in Grainger Engineering] is what made the difference at Illinois. I never once felt as though I couldn't do it. It was because I had the support system of Dean Favila, the Morrill Engineering Program, the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE), and the teachers. I found being in a classroom with 40 people or 400 people, you can still have that close relationship with your professors.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES

MAJOR ]	Hurnot Gre	Autroeso	nded price	secured.	ination Lindloye	Continuin	dion Jolyntee	ce seeking	other
Aerospace Engineering	94	54	57%	96%	44%	52%	0%	4%	0%
Agricultural & Biological Engineering	38	18	47%	89%	50%	39%	0%	11%	0%
Bioengineering	54	31	57%	97%	39%	58%	0%	3%	0%
Civil Engineering	178	117	66%	99%	50%	49%	0%	0%	1%
Computer Engineering	340	228	67%	93%	62%	31%	0%	6%	1%
Computer Science	258	126	49%	98%	76%	22%	0%	2%	0%
Electrical Engineering	203	130	64%	92%	50%	42%	0%	7%	1%
Industrial Engineering	68	32	47%	97%	78%	19%	0%	3%	0%
Materials Science and Engineering	87	49	56%	96%	35%	61%	0%	4%	0%
Mechanical Science & Engineering <sup>†</sup>	200	127	64%	94%	62%	32%	0%	6%	0%
Nuclear, Plasma, & Radiological Engineering	30	15	50%	93%	33%	60%	0%	7%	0%
Physics <sup>†</sup>	145	77	53%	84%	35%	49%	0%	16%	0%
Systems Engineering & Design	61	32	52%	97%	66%	31%	0%	3%	0%
All Grainger Engineering	1,674	992	59%	95%	57%	38%	0%	5%	<1%

\* See note on salary tables on page 29 of the Methods section.

<sup>†</sup>See Colleges and Majors

tables at the end of the methods section for notes on these majors.

#### SELECT EMPLOYERS

Accenture **Epic Systems** AECOM Exelon Amazon Facebook Ford Motor Company Apple Argonne National Laboratory **GE** Aviation Burns & McDonnell General Motors Goldman Sachs

Capital One Caterpillar Google Collins Aerospace Groupon Deloitte IBM

John Deere JPMorgan Chase Kiewit Kimley-Horn Microsoft Motorola Solutions Northrop Grumman

**IMC Financial Markets** 

Intel

Nvidia

Oracle Procter & Gamble Protiviti Sandia National Laboratories SpaceX Texas Instruments

**Turner Construction Company** West Monroe Partners Wolverine Trading

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#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

California Institute of Technology Carnegie Mellon University Columbia University Cornell University

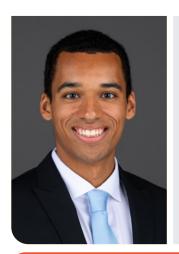
Georgia Institute of Technology Massachusetts Institute of Technology Northwestern University

**Princeton University** Stanford University Texas A&M University University of California, Berkeley

University of California, Los Angeles University of California, San Diego University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

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Aerospace Engineering	22	17	\$70,697	\$66,500	\$73,000	\$79,000	9	\$5,000
Agricultural & Biological Engineering*	27	19	\$65,519	\$56,000	\$65,000	\$72,500		
Bioengineering	12	9	\$62,411	\$62,000	\$65,000	\$71,000	5	\$5,000
Civil Engineering	58	45	\$65,035	\$62,000	\$65,000	\$67,600	22	\$2,500
Computer Engineering	138	113	\$99,145	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$112,000	89	\$15,000
Computer Science	94	69	\$110,978	\$93,000	\$112,000	\$126,000	58	\$15,000
Electrical Engineering	65	52	\$76,129	\$71,000	\$76,000	\$82,000	37	\$5,000
Industrial Engineering	25	19	\$73,347	\$65,000	\$72,000	\$78,000	7	\$6,000
Materials Science and Engineering	15	12	\$77,272	\$72,130	\$74,000	\$81,500	5	\$8,000
Mechanical Science & Engineering <sup>†</sup>	78	56	\$74,286	\$71,000	\$74,500	\$78,000	28	\$5,000
Nuclear, Plasma, & Radiological Engineering*	19	18	\$69,000	\$65,750	\$71,000	\$72,000		
Physics <sup>†</sup>	24	15	\$80,167	\$55,000	\$77,000	\$100,000	8	\$10,000
Systems Engineering & Design†	20	13	\$79,531	\$70,000	\$79,000	\$81,000	7	\$6,500
All Grainger Engineering	553	424	\$86,149	\$70,000	\$79,000	\$100,000	273	\$8,000

## College of Liberal Arts & Sciences



**GRADUATE STORIES** 

#### **Brian McFarlin**

Psychology, May 2020

When I arrived at Illinois in 2016, I was unsure of the specific area in Psychology that I wanted to pursue. Thankfully, the guidance I received from my advisors and professors taught me to be comfortable with the uncertainty of taking on new experiences. This led me to get involved in student organizations, work in research labs, take a diversity of courses, apply for campus jobs, and more until I was able to find what interested me the most. The breadth of experience available at more until I was able to find what interested the difference in finding the right career path for me.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES

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	Astronomy & Physics	193	102	53%	82%	37%	45%	0%	17%	1%
	Biological Sciences	478	251	53%	88%	25%	63%	<1%	12%	0%
	Chemical Engineering & Chemistry	323	180	56%	93%	47%	46%	0%	7%	0%
	Communication	278	119	43%	89%	50%	38%	1%	10%	1%
	Earth, Society, & Environment	108	51	47%	86%	37%	49%	0%	12%	2%
	Economics	493	191	39%	88%	52%	36%	<1%	12%	0%
	English & Creative Writing	161	78	48%	90%	54%	35%	1%	10%	0%
	History & Philosophy	123	59	48%	86%	44%	42%	0%	14%	0%
	Literatures, Cultures, & Linguistics	146	86	59%	88%	49%	39%	0%	12%	0%
	Mathematics & Statistics	696	290	42%	90%	44%	46%	0%	9%	1%
	Political Science, Global Studies, & Area Studies	309	146	47%	91%	36%	53%	2%	8%	1%
	Psychology	542	286	53%	90%	30%	59%	1%	10%	0%
rs e or s.	Sociology, Anthropology Interdisciplinary Cultural Studies	133	54	41%	91%	37%	52%	2%	9%	0%
	All Liberal Arts & Sciences	3,412	1,619	47%	90%	41%	48%	<1%	10%	<1%

†See Colleges and Majors tables at the end of the methods section for notes on these majors.

#### **SELECT EMPLOYERS**

AbbVie Accenture Alight Solutions Amazon AmeriCorps Anheuser-Busch InBev

C3.ai Deloitte Discover Financial Services **Epic Systems** Facebook Google

IBM

Argonne National Laboratory JPMorgan Chase

**KPMG** Medix

Microsoft National Institutes of Health (NIH) Northwestern Memorial Hospital

PepsiCo PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) Procter & Gamble

ScribeAmerica Sensient Technologies State Farm Insurance Synchrony Financial Teach for America Tempus Labs U.S. Department of Justice

Yelp

#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

California Institute of Technology Carnegie Mellon University Columbia University Cornell University DePaul University **Duke University** 

Johns Hopkins University Loyola University Chicago Massachusetts Institute of Technology New York University Northwestern University

Stanford University University of California, Berkeley University of California, Los Angeles University of Chicago University of Colorado Boulder University of Illinois Chicago

University of Oxford University of Pennsylvania University of Texas at Austin University of Washington-Seattle University of Wisconsin-Madison Washington University

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Astronomy & Physics	35	21	\$77,150	\$60,000	\$70,000	\$97,500	12	\$10,000
Biological Sciences	57	29	\$43,580	\$34,320	\$40,000	\$48,000	9	\$5,000
Chemical Engineering & Chemistry	83	61	\$70,011	\$65,000	\$72,000	\$75,500	14	\$7,700
Communication	57	25	\$49,095	\$40,000	\$50,000	\$55,000	5	\$5,000
Earth, Society, & Environment	15	13	\$47,966	\$41,600	\$47,000	\$60,000	-	-
Economics	97	63	\$62,816	\$53,000	\$65,000	\$72,000	30	\$5,000
English & Creative Writing	42	14	\$52,536	\$42,000	\$49,000	\$62,500	-	-
History & Philosophy	23	11	\$49,550	\$39,000	\$47,000	\$60,000	-	-
Literatures, Cultures, & Linguistics	40	22	\$68,857	\$49,000	\$60,000	\$90,000	8	\$7,500
Mathematics & Statistics	127	72	\$79,590	\$63,000	\$75,000	\$95,000	43	\$9,500
Political Science, Global Studies, & Area Studies	49	26	\$42,728	\$37,000	\$41,500	\$50,000	-	-
Psychology	78	45	\$42,340	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$53,000	6	\$3,625
Sociology, Anthropology Interdisciplinary Cultural Studies	20	10	\$51,000	\$33,250	\$48,250	\$65,000	-	-
All Liberal Arts & Sciences	638	363	\$58,057	\$41,000	\$57,750	\$72,000	121	\$5,000

**GRADUATE STORIES** 

#### Rebecca Wood

Journalism, May 2020

66 Through a variety of Journalism experiences at Illinois, I came to appreciate that this field is a big responsibility. In many ways, the articles that journalists write are a first draft of history. There are so many important stories that exist. We need to represent more diverse stories and viewpoints that have been present in the past. I am really excited to take this knowledge and to do what I can with it.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES

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Advertising	245	119	49%	76%	58%	18%	0%	23%	1%
Journalism	60	32	53%	84%	47%	37%	0%	16%	0%
Media & Cinema Studies	38	12	32%	58%	33%	25%	0%	42%	0%
All Media	343	163	48%	77%	54%	23%	0%	23%	<1%

#### College of Media | CONTINUED

#### SELECT EMPLOYERS

@properties Carilion Clinic 360i CDM New York Accenture Club Colors Adobe Delta Mobile Systems Adtalem Global Education DHR International Agency 720 Edelman Alight Solutions All Points Public Relations **Epsilon** Amazon Automotive Internet Media Avenue B2B Marketing Strategy and Activation BCV

**Energy BBDO Executive Branch** of the United States FCB Chicago FCB Health Network Fishman Public Relations Google GSD&M **Gympass HERE Arts Center** Highdive Advertising

Innovative Influence Instapanel JB Training Solutions Jellyvision Logical Position LogicGate Medasource Media Assembly Medline Industries MERGE Mindshare Morgan Stanley **NBC** Chicago Neuhoff Media Danville Nuveen Opportunities for All Oracle Our Esquina Media PepsiCo - Frito-Lay

PMG Digital Marketing Agency Post-Bulletin Shaker Recruitment Marketing Spaulding Ridge Starcom Stay Ahead Real Estate Marketing Stratum Med Strike 2 SurtzMedia Target The Bradford Group The Kraft Heinz Company WDTN-TV WEEK-TV

Würzburger Kickers

#### SELECT GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

DePaul University Northwestern University

Bytedance

Campus Ink

Captivate

Campus Property

Management

University of Illinois Chicago University of Illinois Springfield University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign University of Illinois College of Law University of Southern California

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Advertising	67	36	\$48,653	\$39,000	\$45,000	\$56,500	8	\$5,000
Journalism	15	9	\$41,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$44,000		
Media & Cinema Studies*	-	-	-	_	_	-	_	_
All Media	85	45	\$47,122	\$38,000	\$43,000	\$54,000	9	\$5,000

<sup>\*</sup> See note on salary tables on page 29 of the Methods section.

## School of Social Work



**GRADUATE STORIES** 

## Araceli Carbajal Social Work, May 2020

The School of Social Work at Illinois has been a particularly special place for me. It is filled with compassionate individuals that value you as a human being and care for one's mental health. The professors... showed trust in my ability to continue practicing Social Work and it's greatly appreciated.

#### 2019-2020 GRADUATE OUTCOMES



#### ANNUAL SALARY OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYED GRADUATES



<sup>\*</sup> See note on salary tables on page 29 of the Methods section.

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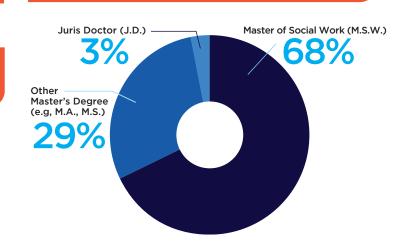
Legal Aid Chicago The Refugee Center

#### **SELECT GRADUATE AND** PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

Brown School at Washington University in St. Louis DePaul University, College of Law **Dominican University** Florida State University Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis Lincoln Christian University Loyola University Chicago

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville University of Chicago University of Illinois Chicago University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign University of Michigan Washington University

#### **DEGREES SOUGHT**



## ABOUT OUR GRADUATE OUTCOMES DATA COLLECTION















#### **METHODS**

The Illini Success initiative documents the post-graduate outcomes of bachelor's degree recipients from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. This report focuses on experiences of Illinois students who graduated during the 2019-2020 academic year, including August 2019, December 2019, and May 2020 graduation cohorts. Those who receive both bachelor's and master's degrees in the same semester are excluded from these analyses. Lists of graduates were initially drawn from University records during the semester of graduation, and were finalized 10 weeks after graduation to represent an accurate picture of the graduating class for each cohort.

#### **Data Collection**

The primary method for collecting graduate outcomes data was an online survey administered by Illini Success team members at the Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Several strategies were used to distribute the survey including: centralized emails, college-specific emails, and requests during capstone classes and related college events. Requests to complete the survey were sent approximately 1 month before graduation, at graduation, 3-months post-graduation, and 6-months post-graduation. Direct surveys of graduates were our primary and preferred source of data. However, when survey data were not available, other sources of information were considered. For example, data on continuing education enrollment was obtained from the National Student Clearinghouse and verifiable graduate outcomes reported by employers or gathered by colleges were accepted into the data set. Finally, we incorporated a very limited use of LinkedIn profiles after a careful study of the quality of this data. We used a service provided by LiveAlumni to gather graduate information from publicly available LinkedIn profiles in December 2020. We incorporated this data for only those graduates who: (a) did not have survey responses, National Student Clearinghouse data, employer reports, or college reports of their outcomes, (b) had employment or graduate school data from a LinkedIn website, and (c) posted the start-date for their most current position at least one month after their graduation month. The rationale for these decisions came from a study conducted by the research team at The Career Center. Findings of that study are available by request.

As can be seen in **Table M1**, the majority of the data for this report came from survey responses (61%), while a smaller amount came from secondary sources (39%). In total, we have knowledge of the outcomes of 57% of 2019-2020 bachelor's degree graduates from Illinois.

We recognize that this is a lower knowledge rate than typical years, where our knowledge rate ranges between 71 - 75%. Additionally, our knowledge rate varies considerably across Colleges and Majors. We acknowledge that 2020 was an unprecedented year, where our graduates and

university community experienced notable challenges navigating multiple pandemics that impacted our lives professionally, socially, and personally. It is reasonable to expect that these challenges impacted our degree recipients' post-graduate career transitions. We encourage caution in the interpretation of results and comparison to previous years.

Throughout the report, we provide information on sample size and knowledge rates to help our readers make good use of the data. We also wish to balance our presentation of outcomes. We extend our warm congratulations to graduates who secured employment, enrollment in continuing education, engagement in service roles, or other first destinations. We are proud of their accomplishments in these challenging times, and appreciate when they shared their success stories with us. Additionally, we extend our care and support to those who experienced prolonged challenges and may still be seeking their next steps. It is important to note that this year, as in all years, the Illini Success survey was extended to our graduates with invitations to receive career services throughout the first-year post-graduation.

# Table M1 Sources of Graduate Outcomes Data

Graduate Outcomes Source	Number of Graduates	Percent of Graduates
Primary Source	2,839	35%
Survey	2,471	31%
Survey + Secondary Source	368	4%
Secondary Source	1,791	22%
National Student Clearinghouse	1,015	12%
College Report	468	6%
Social Media	308	4%
No Response	3,430	43%
Total Knowledge Rate	4,630	57%

#### **METHODS CONTINUED**

We collected data for six months past the May 2020 graduation date, closing data collection in mid-November 2020. For August and December 2019 graduates, we accepted information through mid-November 2020, but did not rigorously pursue responses after their initial six-month time periods. Graduate numbers and knowledge rates by cohort can be seen in **Table M2.** 

#### **Table M2**

Numbers of Graduates and Knowledge Rates by Graduate Cohort

	Α	В	С	D	E
<b>Graduation Cohort</b>	Number of Graduates	Number of Respondents	Knowledge Rate by Cohort	Percent of Total Graduates	Percent of Total Knowledge Rate
August 2019	478	225	47%	6%	5%
December 2019	1,392	832	60%	17%	18%
May 2020	6,190	3,573	58%	77%	77%
Total	8,060	4,630	57%		
Definitions:			(by rows, B / A)	(by columns, Row A / Total A)	(by columns, Row B / Total B)

#### **Privacy and Confidentiality**

The privacy and confidentiality of Illinois graduates is highly respected and protected throughout the Illini Success initiative. We greatly appreciate the willingness of Illinois graduates to share their outcomes information, and we make every effort to ensure their comfort and confidence at every stage of participation. All data efforts related to the Illini Success initiative are approved by the University of Illinois Institutional Review Board. A limited number of research team members are granted access to the data. All personally identifying information is removed from presentations of data. To further protect confidentiality, outcomes data is only reported in aggregate, for groups of 10 graduates or more.

In college and major salary analysis tables, in cases where we have fewer than 10 employed graduates and fewer than 5 graduates reporting a salary in 2019-2020, we combine responses with the 2018-2019 class in order to provide salary information while protecting the confidentiality

and privacy of survey respondents. All cases where this occurs are indicated with a star (\*) and "employed graduates" and "graduates reporting salary" reflect the total number across the two years. If sufficient numbers cannot be reached by combining two years of data, salary information is not presented in this year's report. For colleges or majors where fewer than 5 graduates report a signing bonus in 2019-2020, dashes are used to indicate that signing bonus information cannot be shared.

Illini Success projects only identify graduates when they give permission to share their information or likeness. When they do so, graduates state specifically what they want to share, and nothing beyond this is released. For example, the Illini Success website presents graduate success stories with photographs and personalized narratives. Being highlighted on the website is voluntary and individuals sign a talent release form to participate.

#### **METHODS CONTINUED**

#### **Terms and Categories**

To understand analyses in this report, it is helpful to understand some key terminology that is used to define outcomes and categorize variables.

When completing the online survey, Illinois graduates were asked about their plans following graduation and were given the following response options: working full-time, working part-time, engaged in military service, engaged in volunteer service, seeking employment, enrolling in continuing education, seeking continuing education, unemployed and not seeking, and I'd rather not answer. For ease of interpretation in this overview report, we combine these nine response options into the following five categories:

- **Employed**, which includes: (a) working full-time, (b) working part-time, and (c) engaged in military service
- Continuing education
- Volunteer / service
- Seeking, which includes: (a) seeking employment, and (b) seeking education
- Other, which includes: (a) unemployed and not seeking and (b) I'd rather not answer

Little detail was lost in combining groups. In the employment section, small percentages of respondents pursued military careers (1%) or part-time employment (1%). Similarly, a small percentage of respondents indicated that they were "not seeking employment or additional education" (<1%) or would "rather not answer" (1%). Similar percentages of respondents indicated that they were "seeking employment" (6.4%) as compared to "seeking education" (2.2%). Graduates were invited to select responses regarding their post-graduation plans in two ways. First, they selected all statuses that applied to them. For example, a graduate may report both working full-time and being engaged in volunteer work in the community. Second, graduates were asked to select one primary status that best represents their main focus after graduation. Continuing our example, the graduate may identify working full-time as a primary status. This report focuses on graduates' reported primary statuses.

Further, this report identifies graduates who have "**secured** a first destination" following graduation. We define "**securing a first destination**" as obtaining employment, enrolling in a continuing education program, and/or engaging in volunteer service as a primary status after graduation.

#### **Data Analysis and Presentation**

Analyses in this report were informed by standards and guidelines set by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES, 2012). Unless otherwise noted, findings are presented by unique graduates without duplication. A few tables present results by academic major. In these tables, duplicate counts exist because graduates complete both double majors and dual degrees at the bachelor's degree level. What a graduate completes more than one major and/or degree, their outcomes data are recognized in each appropriate category for the bachelor's degree and majors they have completed.

To support ease of reading for various audiences, we excluded non-respondents from each graph, table, and data point (rather than including sections of non-respondents with each question). This decision was made because respondent numbers change throughout the report as different graduates had access to different survey questions. For example, graduates who selected "continuing education" as their primary status did not receive survey questions about "employment." Throughout the report, the number of respondents (N) is provided with the data for each survey question.

Finally, there is some grouping of majors in this report in order to represent relationships across academic units, to be able to present data for small majors while protecting confidentiality of graduates, or to efficiently and effectively communicate results without overwhelming our readers with detail. Please see the tables in the concluding pages of this report, which outline how majors are represented for each college, and show where combinations have occurred.

#### **METHODS CONTINUED**

#### **For Additional Information**

For additional information on this report or the Illini Success initiative, please contact the Illini Success team at illinisuccess@illinois.edu or (217) 333-0820.

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## **College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences**

Report Category	Departments Included	Majors Included	
Agricultural and Consumer Economics	Agricultural and Consumer Economics	Agricultural and Consumer Economics	
Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communication	Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communication	Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communication; Agricultural Leadership and Science Education	
Animal Sciences	Animal Sciences	Animal Sciences	
Crop Sciences and Horticulture	Crop Sciences	Crop Sciences; Horticulture	
Food Science and Human Nutrition	Food Science and Human Nutrition	Food Science and Human Nutrition	
Human Development and Family Studies	Human Development and Family Studies	Human Development and Family Studies; Human Resources and Family Studies	
Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences	Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences	Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences	
Technical Systems Management	Agricultural and Biological Engineering	Agricultural and Biological Engineering; Technical Systems Management	

### **College of Applied Health Sciences**

Report Category	Departments Included	Majors Included
Community Health	Kinesiology and Community Health	Community Health
Interdisciplinary Health Sciences	Interdisciplinary Health Sciences	Interdisciplinary Health Sciences
Kinesiology	Kinesiology and Community Health	Kinesiology
Recreation, Sport, and Tourism	Recreation, Sport, and Tourism	Leisure Studies; Recreation, Sport, and Tourism
Speech and Hearing Science	Speech and Hearing Science	Speech and Hearing Science

## **College of Education**

Report Category	Departments Included	Majors Included
Early Childhood and Elementary Education	Curriculum and Instruction	Early Childhood Education; Elementary Education
Learning and Education Studies	Education Administration	Learning and Education Studies
Middle Grades Education	Curriculum and Instruction	Middle Grades Education
Special Education	Special Education	Special Education

## COLLEGES AND MAJORS

## **College of Fine and Applied Arts**

Report Category	Academic Units Included	Majors Included
Architecture	Architecture	Architectural Studies
Art and Design	Art and Design	Art Education; Graphic Design; History of Art; Industrial Design; New Media; Painting; Photography; Studio Art
Dance, Music, and Theatre	Dance; Music; Theatre	Dance; Instrumental Music; Jazz Performance; Lyric Theatre; Music; Music Composition; Music Education; Open Studies; Voice; Theatre
Landscape Architecture and Urban and Regional Planning	Landscape Architecture; Urban and Regional Planning	Landscape Architecture; Urban Studies and Planning

## **Gies College of Business**

Report Category	Departments Included	Majors Included
Accountancy	Accountancy	Accountancy
Finance	Finance	Finance
Information Systems	Business Administration	Information Systems; Information Systems & Information Technology
Management	Business Administration	Management
Marketing	Business Administration	Marketing
Operations Management	Business Administration	Business Process Management; Operations Management
Supply Chain Management	Business Administration	Supply Chain Management

### **COLLEGES AND MAJORS**

#### **Grainger College of Engineering**

Report Category	Departments Included	Majors Included
Aerospace Engineering	Aerospace Engineering	Aerospace Engineering
Agricultural and Biological Engineering	Engineering Administration	Agricultural and Biological Engineering
Bioengineering	Bioengineering	Bioengineering
Civil Engineering	Civil and Environmental Engineering	Civil Engineering
Computer Engineering	Electrical and Computer Engineering	Computer Engineering
Computer Science	Computer Science	Computer Science
Electrical Engineering	Electrical and Computer Engineering	Electrical Engineering
Industrial Engineering	Industrial and Enterprise Systems Engineering	Industrial Engineering
Materials Science and Engineering	Materials Science and Engineering	Materials Science and Engineering
Mechanical Science and Engineering	Mechanical Science and Engineering	Engineering Mechanics; Mechanical Engineering
Nuclear, Plasma, and Radiological Engineering	Nuclear, Plasma, and Radiological Engineering	Nuclear, Plasma, and Radiological Engineering
Physics	Physics	Engineering Physics; *also Physics majors from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Systems Engineering and Design	Industrial and Enterprise Systems Engineering	Systems Engineering and Design

<sup>\*</sup>Note that due to strong cross-campus partnerships and overlaps in course offerings between Engineering Physics (in the Grainger College of Engineering) and Physics (in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences) these two majors are presented together in the Illini Success college-level tables. In the Grainger College of Engineering tables they are included in the major category of "Physics."

#### **COLLEGES AND MAJORS**

#### **College of Liberal Arts & Sciences**

Report Category	Departments Included	Majors Included
Astronomy and Physics	Astronomy; LAS Administration	Astronomy; Computer Science and Astronomy; Physics; *also Engineering Physics majors from Grainger College of Engineering
Biological Sciences	Biochemistry; School of Integrative Biology; School of Molecular and Cellular Biology	Biochemistry; Integrative Biology; Molecular and Cellular Biology
Chemical Engineering and Chemistry	Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering; Chemistry	Chemical Engineering; Chemistry; Computer Science and Chemistry
Communication	Communication	Communication; Speech Communication
Earth, Society and Environment	Atmospheric Sciences; Geography and Geographic Information Science; Geology; School of Earth, Society, and Environmental Administration	Atmospheric Sciences; Geography and Geographic Information Science; Geology; Earth, Society, and Environment; Earth, Society, and Environmental Sustainability
Economics	Economics	Computer Science & Economics; Economics; Economics & Quantitative Economics
English and Creative Writing	English	Creative Writing; English; Rhetoric
History and Philosophy	History; LAS Administration; Philosophy	History; History of Art; Philosophy
Literatures, Cultures and Linguistics	Classics; Comparative & World Literature; E Asian Languages and Cultures; French and Italian; Germanic Languages and Literature; Linguistics; Religion; Slavic Languages & Literature; Spanish and Portuguese	Classics; Comparative Literature; E Asian Languages and Cultures; French; Italian; Germanic Languages and Literature; Germanic Studies; Computer Science & Linguistics; Linguistics; Portuguese; Slavic Studies; Spanish; Teaching of Spanish
Mathematics and Statistics	Mathematics; Statistics	Actuarial Sciences; Math and Computer Science; Mathematics; Statistics; Statistics and Computer Science
Political Science, Global Studies, and Area Studies	LAS Administration; Political Science; Russian, E. European, Eurasn Ctr	Global Studies; Political Science; Russian, E Eur, Eurasian St
Psychology	Psychology	Psychology
Sociology, Anthropology and Interdisciplinary Cultural Studies	African American Studies; Anthropology; Asian American Studies; Gender and Women's Studies; LAS Administration; Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Latina/Latino Studies; Sociology	African American Studies; Anthropology; Asian American Studies; Computer Science and Anthropology; Gender and Women's Studies; Individual Plans of Study; Interdisciplinary; Latin American Studies; Latina/Latino Studies; Sociology

\*Note that due to strong cross-campus partnerships and overlaps in course offerings between Physics (in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences) and Engineering Physics (in the Grainger College of Engineering) these two majors are presented together in the Illini Success college-level tables. In the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences tables they are included in the Discipline and Major category of "Astronomy and Physics."

## COLLEGES AND MAJORS

## **College of Media**

Report Category	Departments Included	Majors Included
Advertising	Advertising	Advertising
Journalism	Journalism	Broadcast Journalism; Journalism; News-Editorial
Media and Cinema Studies	Institute of Communications Research; Media and Cinema Studies	Media Studies; Media and Cinema Studies

#### **School of Social Work**

Report Category	Departments Included	Majors Included
Social Work	Social Work	Social Work