

## **May 2018 Graduate Future Plans Survey College of Design Summary Report**

This report presents summary results from the May 2018 Graduate Future Plans Survey for departments in the College of Design, followed by summary information on employment and further education for the college as a whole.

### **Highlights for the College of Design**

- 64% of the master's students in the College of Design graduating in May 2018 responded to the survey
- 56% of respondents in the College of Design report that they have secured full-time employment for the coming year
- College of Design graduates with full-time employment (excluding internships) report an average salary in the coming year of \$53,571 (median = \$50,000)
- 50% of College of Design graduates with full-time employment will be working in North Carolina (50% in the Research Triangle Area)

## Department Summaries

The following table provides summary statistics for May 2018 graduates in the College of Design. The table includes the number of graduate students in each department in the College of Design who graduated in May 2018 and the number of those students who submitted the Graduate Future Plans Survey. It also includes the number of students who indicated at the time of the survey that they would be working full-time, as well as the number of those who indicated they were either pursuing or planning to pursue another graduate or professional degree in the coming year. Finally, it includes summary statistics on the self-reported salaries of those who reported that they would be employed full-time.

**Table 1: Department Summaries**

| Department                      | Survey Population | Survey Respondents | Response Rate | N Full Time Job | N Grad/Prof School* | 25th Percentile Salary | Median Salary | 75th Percentile Salary | Average Salary | N Reporting Salary |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| College of Design Dean's Office | 1                 | .                  | .             | .               | .                   | **                     | **            | **                     | **             | .                  |
| Architecture                    | 16                | 10                 | 63%           | 8               | .                   | 42,500                 | 47,500        | 47,500                 | 46,500         | 5                  |
| Art and Design                  | 6                 | 4                  | 67%           | .               | .                   | **                     | **            | **                     | **             | .                  |
| Graphic & Industrial Design     | 17                | 11                 | 65%           | 5               | .                   | 62,500                 | 67,500        | 67,500                 | 66,500         | 5                  |
| Landscape Architecture          | 11                | 7                  | 64%           | 5               | .                   | 42,500                 | 42,500        | 50,000                 | 46,250         | 4                  |
| Design Overall                  | 51                | 32                 | 63%           | 18              | .                   | 42,500                 | 50,000        | 62,500                 | 53,571         | 14                 |

\*Includes all students planning on going to graduate/professional school in the coming year for another degree, including those who were currently enrolled as of the time of the survey or who have been accepted to graduate/professional school and know where they will be going as well as those who have been accepted to at least one school but have not yet finalized their plans, those who have applied but have not yet been accepted, and those who have not yet applied but plan to do so.

\*\*Statistics on salary information for those departments with fewer than 4 respondents reporting their salary have been excluded from the table.

**Table 2: Degree Summaries**

| Degree          | Survey Population | Survey Respondents | Response Rate | N Full Time Job | N Grad/Prof School** | 25th Percentile Salary | Median Salary | 75th Percentile Salary | Average Salary | N Reporting Salary |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Master's        | 50                | 32                 | 64%           | 18              | .                    | 42,500                 | 50,000        | 62,500                 | 53,571         | 14                 |
| Design Overall* | 51                | 32                 | 63%           | 18              | .                    | 42,500                 | 50,000        | 62,500                 | 53,571         | 14                 |

\*One student in the College of Design graduated with a doctoral degree in May 2018, but did not respond to the survey.

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## Full-Time Employment (college overall)

Table 3: Name of Company/Organization, Master's Degree Recipients

|   | N |
|---|---|
| ARC Architects                              | 1 |
| Accenture                                   | 1 |
| Apex Tool Group                             | 1 |
| BSA Life Structures                         | 1 |
| Fentress Architects                         | 1 |
| Jdavis Architects                           | 1 |
| Land Design and Consulting                  | 1 |
| Landscape architecture company              | 1 |
| McMillan Pazdan Smith                       | 1 |
| Natural Learning Initiative                 | 1 |
| Oxide Architecture                          | 1 |
| Susan Hatchell Landscape Architecture, PLLC | 1 |
| Szostak Design                              | 1 |
| Tributary                                   | 1 |
| University of Arkansas                      | 1 |
| WebMD (MedSims)                             | 1 |

**Table 4: Location of Company (state), Master's Degree Recipients**

|                | N | %   |
|----------------|---|-----|
| North Carolina | 9 | 50% |
| Minnesota      | 1 | 6%  |
| Washington     | 1 | 6%  |
| Massachusetts  | 1 | 6%  |
| Virginia       | 1 | 6%  |
| Georgia        | 1 | 6%  |
| South Carolina | 1 | 6%  |
| Not sure       | 2 | 11% |
| Arkansas       | 1 | 6%  |

**Table 5: Region of Company (inside/outside NC Triangle), Master's Degree Recipients**

|            | N | %   |
|------------|---|-----|
| Triangle   | 8 | 50% |
| Other NC   | 1 | 6%  |
| Outside NC | 7 | 44% |

**Table 6: Job Title, Master's Degree Recipients**

|                               | N |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Architectural Designer        | 1 |
| Architectural Intern          | 1 |
| Architectural designer        | 1 |
| Assistant Professor           | 1 |
| Associate Industrial Designer | 1 |
| Designer                      | 3 |
| Emerging Professional         | 1 |
| Experience Designer           | 1 |
| Footwear Design Assistant     | 1 |

**Table 6: Job Title, Master's Degree Recipients, *continued***

|                            | N |
|----------------------------|---|
| Intern Architect           | 2 |
| Junior Landscape Architect | 1 |
| Landscape Architect        | 1 |
| Landscape Designer         | 3 |

**Table 7: Resources Used to Help Get/Locate Job, Master's Degree Recipients\***

|   | Master's |     |
|---|----------|-----|
|   | N        | %   |
| Internship/externship   | 9        | 50% |
| Personal/professional connection(s) within the company              | 7        | 39% |
| Family/friends/classmates/co-workers                                | 5        | 28% |
| On-campus interviewing  | 4        | 22% |
| Internet: LinkedIn  | 4        | 22% |
| Career fair at NC State   | 3        | 17% |
| Co-op experience  | 3        | 17% |
| NC State faculty member   | 3        | 17% |
| Campus or college career center                                     | 2        | 11% |
| Consultation w/ NCSU Career Counselor/Coach                         | 2        | 11% |
| Optional Practical Training (OPT)                                   | 2        | 11% |
| Student teaching experience   | 2        | 11% |
| Volunteer work  | 1        | 6%  |
| Professional association (members, conferences, publications, etc.) | 1        | 6%  |
| Applied for job via ePACK   | 0        | 0%  |
| Employer found resume on ePACK                                      | 0        | 0%  |
| Career fair off campus  | 0        | 0%  |
| Employer info session on campus                                     | 0        | 0%  |
| Clinical placement  | 0        | 0%  |

**Table 7: Resources Used to Help Get/Locate Job, by Degree Received\*, *continued***

|                  | Masters |    |
|------------------|---------|----|
|                  | N       | %  |
| Staffing agency  | 0       | 0% |
| Internet (Other) | 0       | 0% |
| Other            | 1       | 6% |

\*Respondents could select more than one resource.

\*\*Question was asked of those who indicated they would be employed full-time in a position they had obtained during their graduate program or at the time of graduation (i.e., excluding those who said they would be employed in a position they had obtained prior to beginning their graduation program).

### **Further Education (college overall)**

Information on graduate/professional school name, school location, and degree pursuing is collected and reported only for respondents who indicated that at the time of the survey they had been accepted to graduate/professional school to pursue another degree and were currently enrolled or knew where they would be going. Therefore, no additional results are available.

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