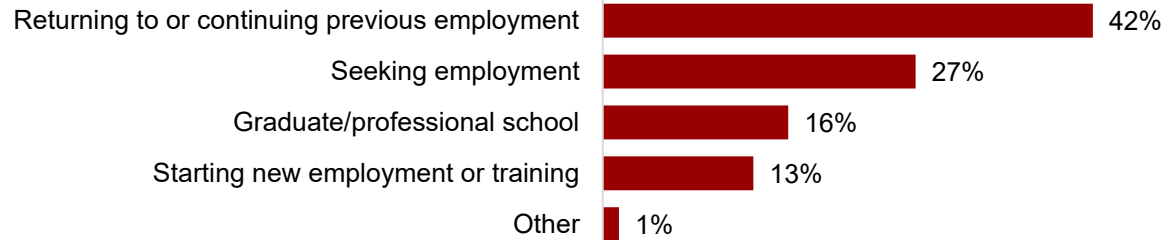


December 2025 Graduate Future Plans Survey – Fast Facts Master's Degree Recipients

Primary Plans After Graduation (n=362)



The Job Search (n=201)

- Of graduates starting new full-time employment:
 - 33% received more than one job offer
 - 19% received company stock
 - 18% received a signing bonus (median amount: \$11,250)
 - 17% received a relocation package

Employment Characteristics (n=207)

- 97% of those beginning or continuing employment are full-time (vs. 3% part-time)
- Of those in full-time employment (n=201):
 - Annual starting salary: \$96,130 (mean), \$90,000 (median)
 - 66% are working in North Carolina
 - 45% are working in the Triangle area (Raleigh, Durham, Chapel Hill)

Job Sector

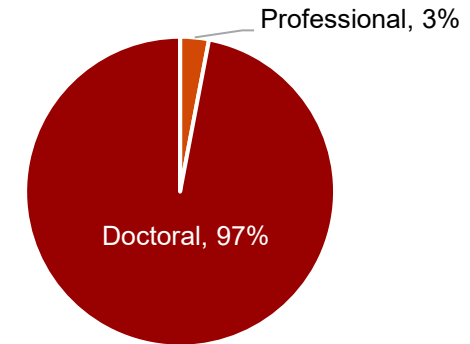


Employers Hiring the Most Graduates



Further Education (n=59)

- 62% of those planning on attending graduate or professional school have been accepted and know where they will be going. Of those:
 - 91% of those are attending their first-choice school
 - 91% are attending school in North Carolina
 - 91% are attending NC State



Professional Development

- 93% rated their feelings of preparation for future career path as "very prepared" (53%) or "somewhat prepared" (40%)
- 87% of those who participated in grad school professional development programs (n=55) were "very satisfied" (51%) or "satisfied" (36%) with the programs
- 85% rated their graduate program's effectiveness in meeting their professional needs as "excellent" (48%) or "good" (37%)
- 84% rated their confidence in their ability to do successful research in their chosen field as "excellent" (52%) or "good" (32%)

About the Data

- All data are from the December 2025 Graduate Future Plans Survey (GFPS)
- 52% percent (362 out of 703) completed the GFPS
- Methods and results are on the UDA website: go.ncsu.edu/fps.reports