**May 2020 Undergraduate Future Plans Survey**
**College of Design**
**Summary Report**

This report presents summary results from the May 2020 Undergraduate 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

- 67% of seniors in Design graduating in spring 2020 responded to the survey
- 35% of respondents in Design said they had obtained a full-time position by graduation
- Design graduates with full-time employment (excluding internships) reported an average starting salary of $43,750 (median = $42,500)
- 77% of Design graduates with full-time employment said they would be working in North Carolina (71% in the Research Triangle Area)
- 17% of respondents in Design indicated they were planning to go to graduate/professional school in the year after graduation
- 91% of Design graduates with definite plans for graduate/professional school said they would be attending a school in North Carolina

## Department Summaries

The following table provides summary statistics for May 2020 graduates in each of the College of Design departments. It includes the number of students in the department who graduated in May 2020 and the number of those students who submitted the Undergraduate Future Plans Survey. It also includes the number of students who indicated that at the time of the survey they had already accepted a full-time position (including military and volunteer work [e.g., Peace Corps]), and the number who indicated they were either attending or planning on attending graduate or professional school in the coming year. Finally, it includes summary statistics on the self-reported salaries of those having accepted full-time employment.

**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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Architecture | 53 | 34 | 64.2% | 16 | 11 | 45,000 | 48,750 | 52,500 | 48,958 | 12 |
| Art and Design | 37 | 23 | 62.2% | 5 | 4 | 13,750 | 26,250 | 38,750 | 26,250 | 4 |
| Graphic & Industrial Design | 42 | 31 | 73.8% | 10 | . | 33,750 | 38,750 | 56,250 | 44,688 | 8 |
| Design Overall | 132 | 88 | 66.7% | 31 | 15 | 36,250 | 42,500 | 51,250 | 43,750 | 24 |

*Includes all students planning on going to graduate/professional school in the coming year, including those 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.

## Full-Time Employment (college overall)

**Table 2: Name of Company/Organization**

|                                        | N |
|----------------------------------------|---|
| 310 Architecture + Interiors           | 1 |
| Andre Johnson Architect                | 1 |
| Balzer & Associates, Inc.              | 1 |
| Barley - The Liquor Order Guide        | 1 |
| Becton, Dickinson and Company (BD)     | 1 |
| CRB                                    | 1 |
| Charlie Hardy Designs                  | 1 |
| Cline Design Associates                | 2 |
| Community Food Lab                     | 1 |
| EVOKE Studio Architecture              | 1 |
| EYP Architecture & Engineering         | 1 |
| Fentress Architects                    | 1 |
| HCL Technologies - HCL America         | 1 |
| Hummingbird Creative Group             | 1 |
| Lithios Apps                           | 1 |
| N/A                                    | 1 |
| Neomonde                               | 1 |
| Nfinity                                | 1 |
| Parker Hannifin - LORD Corporation     | 1 |
| RODE Architects Inc                    | 1 |
| Red Hat                                | 1 |

**Table 2: Name of Company/Organization, continued**

|  | N |
|---|---|
| SGA Gymnastics | 1 |
| SPEVCO, Inc. | 1 |
| Surprise.com | 1 |
| TightLines Designs Inc | 1 |
| VINES Architecture | 1 |
| Wake County Communications Office | 1 |

**Table 3: Location of Company (state)**

|  | N | % |
|---|---|---|
| North Carolina | 24 | 77.4 |
| Virginia | 2 | 6.5 |
| Colorado | 2 | 6.5 |
| Georgia | 1 | 3.2 |
| Massachusetts | 1 | 3.2 |
| Not applicable - Multiple states | 1 | 3.2 |

**Table 4: Region of Company (inside/outside NC Triangle)**

|  | N | % |
|---|---|---|
| Triangle | 22 | 71.0 |
| Outside NC | 7 | 22.6 |
| Other NC | 2 | 6.5 |

**Table 5: Job Title**

| | N |
|---|---|
| Architectural Designer | 1 |
| Architectural Intern | 1 |
| Architectural Technician | 1 |
| Architecture Intern | 1 |
| Athletic Apparel and Footwear Design | 1 |
| Cofounder and CEO | 1 |
| Concept Designer | 1 |
| Designer | 6 |
| Food Systems Designer | 1 |
| Graphic Design Intern | 1 |
| Graphic Design Student Assistant | 1 |
| Graphic Design Student Associate | 1 |
| Gymnastics Team Coach | 1 |
| Industrial Designer | 1 |
| Industrial Designer I | 1 |
| Interior Designer | 1 |
| N/A | 2 |
| Professional Designer II | 1 |
| Project Designer | 3 |
| Project Manager | 1 |
| Senior Experience Curator | 1 |
| UX/UI Designer | 2 |

**Table 6: Resources Used to Help Get/Locate Job***

|  | N | % |
|---|---|---|
| Personal connection(s) within the company | 10 | 32.3 |
| Internship/externship | 9 | 29.0 |
| Family/friends/classmates/co-workers | 7 | 22.6 |
| On-campus interviewing | 6 | 19.4 |
| Career fair at NC State | 5 | 16.1 |
| LinkedIn | 5 | 16.1 |
| Campus or college career center | 3 | 9.7 |
| Faculty member or found job listing in an NC State dept | 3 | 9.7 |
| Consultation with NC State Career Counselor/Coach | 2 | 6.5 |
| Applied for job via ePack | 2 | 6.5 |
| Internet: Other | 2 | 6.5 |
| Employer found resume on ePack | 1 | 3.2 |
| Career fair off campus | 1 | 3.2 |
| Employer info session on campus | 1 | 3.2 |
| Co-op experience | 1 | 3.2 |
| Other | 2 | 6.5 |

*Respondents could select more than one resource.

## Further Education (college overall)

**Table 7: Status for Graduate/Professional School Attendance (among those planning to attend)**

|  | N | % |
|---|---|---|
| Have been accepted and know where I'm going | 11 | 73.3 |
| Have been accepted but undecided | 1 | 6.7 |
| Have applied, but not yet been accepted | 0 | 0.0 |
| Have not applied but plan to do so within the next year | 3 | 20.0 |

Information provided in the tables below is collected and reported only for respondents who indicated that at the time of the survey they had been accepted to graduate/professional school and knew where they would be going.

**Table 8: Name of Graduate/Professional School Students will be Attending**

|  | N |
|---|---|
| Maryland Institute College of Art | 1 |
| NC State University | 10 |

**Table 9: Location of Graduate/Professional School Students will be Attending**

|  | N | % |
|---|---|---|
| North Carolina | 10 | 90.9 |
| Maryland | 1 | 9.1 |

**Table 10: Type of Degree Pursuing***

|  | N | % |
|---|---|---|
| Master's | 3 | 27.3 |
| Other | 8 | 72.7 |

*Respondents could select more than one degree.

**Table 11: Master's Degree**

|       | N |
|-------|---|
| MA    | 1 |
| MArch | 1 |
| Other | 1 |

**Table 12: Other Degree**

|       | N |
|-------|---|
| BArch | 8 |

**Table 13: Academic Program***

|                | N |
|----------------|---|
| Architecture   | 9 |
| Art and Design | 1 |
| Social Design  | 1 |