

May 2021 Undergraduate Future Plans Survey College of Design Summary Report

This report presents summary results from the May 2021 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

- 53% of seniors in Design graduating in spring 2021 responded to the survey
- 57% 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 \$53,864 (median = \$51,250)
- 78% of Design graduates with full-time employment said they would be working in North Carolina (64% in the Research Triangle Area)
- 12% of respondents in Design indicated they were planning to go to graduate/professional school in the year after graduation
- 83% 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 2021 graduates in each of the College of Design departments. It includes the number of students in the department who graduated in May 2021 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 who have 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	43	20	46.5%	15	4	48,750	51,250	51,250	49,327	13
Art and Design	21	12	57.1%	3	2	**	**	**	**	.
Graphic & Industrial Design	32	19	59.4%	11	.	43,750	71,250	76,250	60,417	9
Design Overall	96	51	53.1%	29	6	43,750	51,250	58,750	53,864	22

*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
CRB	1
Cisco Systems	1
Clark Nexsen	1
Clearscapes	1
EVOKE Studio Architecture	2
EwingCole	1
Fentress Architects	1
Filter Design Studio	1
Flad Architects	1
GE Appliances	1
HH Architecture	1
IBM	1
Jason Cases	1
KnowBe4	1
Lie + Loft	1
MBF Architects	1
N/A	1
Planworx Architecture	1
Red Hat	2
SAS Institute	2
Teltech Group	1
The N2 Company	1
Thinx	1
VMDO Architects	1
Velocity Solutions	1

Table 3: Location of Company (state)

	N	%
North Carolina	21	77.8
Colorado	1	3.7
Wisconsin	1	3.7
Kentucky	1	3.7
Florida	1	3.7
New York	1	3.7
Virginia	1	3.7

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

	N	%
Triangle	18	64.3
Outside NC	7	25.0
Other NC	3	10.7

Table 5: Job Title*

	N
Ad Designer	1
Architectural Designer	2
Architectural Designer/Emerging Professional	1
Architecture associates	1
Associate Interaction Designer	1
Associate User Experience Designer	1
Design Professional	1
Design professional 1	1
Designer	5
Designer 1	1
Full Time Designer	1
Industrial Designer	1
Intern Architect	2
Journeyman	1
Junior Marketing Designer	1
Marketing Design Intern	1
Motion Designer	1
Production Assistant	1
Project Manager	1
Project designer	1
UI Designer	1
User Experience Designer	1
Visual Design Intern	1

*Responses are provided exactly as written by respondents.

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

	N	%
Internship/externship	16	55.2
LinkedIn	11	37.9
Personal connection(s) within the company	8	27.6
Campus or college career center	7	24.1
Career fair at NC State	7	24.1
Family/friends/classmates/co-workers	6	20.7
Consultation with NC State Career Counselor/Coach	5	17.2
Faculty member or found job listing in an NC State dept	5	17.2
On-campus interviewing	4	13.8
Volunteer work	4	13.8
Professional society	2	6.9
Applied for job via ePack	1	3.4
Employer info session on campus	1	3.4
Co-op experience	1	3.4

*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	6	100.0
Have been accepted but undecided	0	0.0
Have applied, but not yet been accepted	0	0.0
Have not applied but plan to do so within the next year	0	0.0

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
Fashion Institute of Technology	1
NC State University	5

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

	N	%
North Carolina	5	83.3
New York	1	16.7

Table 10: Type of Degree Pursuing*

	N	%
Master's	4	66.7
Other	2	33.3

*Respondents could select more than one degree.

Table 11: Master's Degree

	N
MArch	3
MFA	1

Table 12: Other Degree

	N
BArch	2

Table 13: Academic Program*

	N
Architecture	1
Bachelor of Architecture	1
MFA in Fashion Design	1
Master's of Architecture	1
School of Architecture 5th Year Program	1
Track 3 MArch	1

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