

May 2021 Undergraduate Future Plans Survey

Wilson College of Textiles

Summary Report

This report presents summary results from the May 2021 Undergraduate Future Plans Survey for departments in the Wilson College of Textiles, followed by summary information on employment and further education for the college as a whole.

Highlights for the Wilson College of Textiles

- 45% of seniors in TEX graduating in spring 2021 responded to the survey
- 51% of respondents in TEX said they had obtained a full-time position by graduation
- TEX graduates with full-time employment (excluding internships) reported an average starting salary of \$48,226 (median = \$51,250)
- 58% of TEX graduates with full-time employment said they would be working in North Carolina (29% in the Research Triangle Area)
- 24% of respondents in TEX indicated they were planning to go to graduate/professional school in the year after graduation
- 87% of TEX 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 Wilson College of Textiles 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
Textile Engineering, Chemistry and Science	50	28	56.0%	14	8	51,250	51,250	61,250	54,432	11
Textile and Apparel, Technology and Management	116	47	40.5%	24	10	36,250	46,250	56,250	44,813	20
TEX Overall	166	75	45.2%	38	18	38,750	51,250	56,250	48,226	31

*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
ATEX Technologies	1
Amazon	2
American Eagle Outfitters	1
Bailey's Fine Jewelry	1
Belk	2
Berry Global	1
Coalmarch	1
Cotton Incorporated	1
Edelman	1
Elevate Textiles	1
Fab'rik	1
Hampden Clothing	1
Hanes	1
Hendrick Automotive Group	1
Kohl's	2
Macy's	1
Medline Industries	1
Mehler Engineered Products	1
Mohawk Industries	1
N/A	1
New Balance	1
Nike	1
Noble Biomaterials	2
Parkdale Mills	1
Peak Lane Boutique	1

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

	N
Pure Country Weavers	1
REVGEN	1
Sugarwood Interiors	1
TYR Tactical	1
Tail Activewear	1
Under Armour	1
Unifi	1
Vanguard	1

Table 3: Location of Company (state)

	N	%
North Carolina	22	57.9
New York	4	10.5
Pennsylvania	2	5.3
Ohio	1	2.6
South Carolina	1	2.6
Wisconsin	1	2.6
Virginia	1	2.6
Georgia	1	2.6
Massachusetts	1	2.6
Oregon	1	2.6
Tennessee	1	2.6
Arizona	1	2.6
Florida	1	2.6

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

	N	%
Outside NC	16	42.1
Triangle	11	28.9
Other NC	11	28.9

Table 5: Job Title*

	N
Aerie Design Intern	1
Apparel Innovation Engineer, Intern	1
Area Manager	1
Area Operations Manager	1
Assistant Account Executive	1
Assistant Fashion Designer	1
Assistant Planner	1
Client relationship associate	1
Design Intern	1
Digital Analytics Analyst	1
Fabric Process Engineer	1
I will be running a single person operated clothing design business	1
Inventory Management Assistant	1
Lifestyle Footwear Materials Apprentice	1
Management Trainee	1
Marketing Coordinator	1
Marketing Specialist	1
Merchandise Analyst	1
Merchandising Assistant	1
Merchandising Intern	1
Organizational Design Assistant	1

Table 5: Job Title*, *continued*

	N
Owner	1
Planning Retail Development Program Associate	1
Process Engineer	2
Product Line Manager	1
Project Engineer	1
Project Manager - R&D	1
Project manager	1
Purchasing Manager/Material Analyst	1
Quality Assurance Intern - Textiles Division	1
R&D Engineering Associate	1
Research Assistant	1
Sales Consultant	1
Sales Development Representative	1
Shift Manager	1
Social Media Coordinator	1
Social Media Manager	1

*Responses are provided exactly as written by respondents.

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

	N	%
LinkedIn	19	50.0
Internship/externship	16	42.1
Family/friends/classmates/co-workers	10	26.3
Campus or college career center	9	23.7
Applied for job via ePack	8	21.1
Career fair at NC State	7	18.4
Personal connection(s) within the company	7	18.4
Consultation with NC State Career Counselor/Coach	4	10.5
Career fair off campus	3	7.9
Staffing agency	3	7.9
Internet: Other	3	7.9
On-campus interviewing	2	5.3
Employer info session on campus	2	5.3
Volunteer work	2	5.3
Professional society	2	5.3
Employer found resume on ePack	1	2.6
Student teaching experience	1	2.6
Faculty member or found job listing in an NC State dept	1	2.6
Other	1	2.6

*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	15	83.3
Have been accepted but undecided	1	5.6
Have applied, but not yet been accepted	1	5.6
Have not applied but plan to do so within the next year	1	5.6

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
NC State University	12
Parsons School of Design	1
Thomas Jefferson University	1
University of Manchester	1

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

	N	%
North Carolina	13	86.7
New York	1	6.7
Outside United States	1	6.7

Table 10: Type of Degree Pursuing*

	N	%
Master's	15	100.0

*Respondents could select more than one degree.

Table 11: Master's Degree

	N
MAC	1
ME	1
MR	1
MS	8
MT	4

Table 12: Academic Program*

	N
Accounting	1
Fashion Management	1
M.S. in Textiles (technical concentration)	1
Master of Science - Textiles	1
Master of Textiles	1
Masters of Textiles	1
Materials Science Engineering	1
Textile Engineering	4
Textile engineering	1
Textiles	2
textiles chemistry	1

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