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Graduate Follow-Up Survey

Spring 2009



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Methodology

Graduates were surveyed six months after their graduation. Graduates are contacted via email. Academic departments are asked to contact their graduates and encourage them to answer the survey.

Graduate Experiences

	Number	Percent
Total Respondents	142	28.7%
Total Graduates	495	

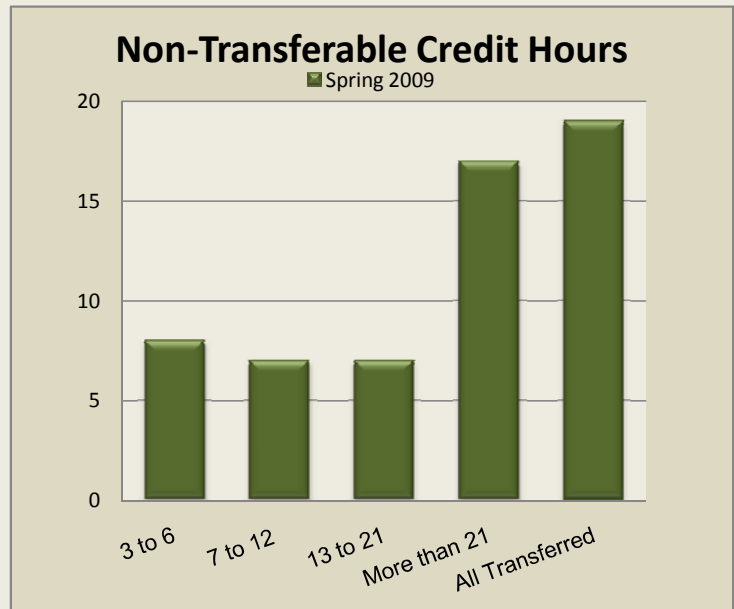
After Graduation did you :	Yes	%	No	%	No Response	%
Continue your Education?	61	43.0%	78	54.9%	3	2.1%
Is your current major related to your major at Delgado?	47	77.0%	11	14.1%	3	4.9%

At what institution did you continue your education?	
Delgado Community College	8
UNO	11
SUNO	7
Loyola University	1
Our Lady of Holy Cross College	3
LSU	4
Xavier	0
Other	22
No Response	5
Total	61



Number of Delgado Non-Developmental Credit Hours Unable to Transfer

3 to 6	8	13.8%
7 to 12	7	12.1%
13 to 21	7	12.1%
More than 21	17	29.3%
All Transferred	19	32.8%
Total	58	100.0%



Reasons Delgado Non-Developmental Credit Hours were not Transferred

Changed Major	3	7.7%
No comparable course	23	59.0%
Grade in course	0	0.0%
Other	8	20.5%
No Response	5	12.8%
Total	39	100.0%

Graduate Experiences

Level of Satisfaction in relation to the field of study:	Average Rating*	
	Number	Average
	Spring 2009	
I feel well prepared from my studies Delgado to continue my education	47	4.09
I was able to transfer most of my credits earned at Delgado to my four-year institution	42	4.12
I had little or no problems transferring to a four-year institution	43	3.91

% of students who responded positively**	
Number	Average
Spring 2009	
36	76.6%
34	81.0%
31	72.1%

* Scale is 1 to 5, 5 = Strongly Agree

** Percentage of students who responded Agree or Strongly Agree

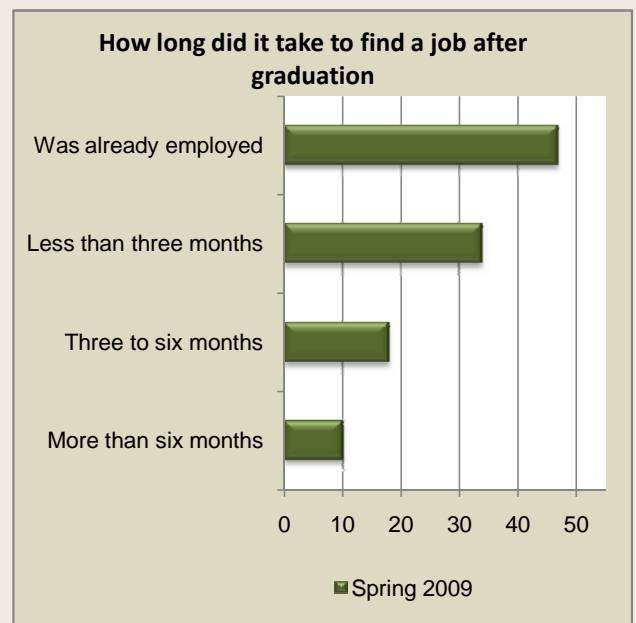
Employment Experiences

Employment Analysis	Yes	%	No	%	No Response	%
Are you currently employed?	117	82.4%	22	15.5%	3	2.1%
Is your job related to your field of study?*	87	74.4%	30	25.6%	0	0.0%
Have you changed jobs since graduating?*	34	29.1%	82	70.1%	1	0.9%
Have you received a promotion or salary increase since graduating?*	54	46.2%	62	53.0%	1	0.9%
Do you attribute your promotion or salary increase to skills acquired at Delgado?*	46	85.2%	9	16.7%	0	0.0%
Are you generally satisfied with your chosen occupation?*	99	84.6%	15	12.8%	3	2.6%

*Averages based on only those students who responded as being employed.

**Averages based on only those students who responded as receiving a salary increase.

How long did it take you to find a job after graduating?		
Was already employed	47	40.2%
Less than three months	34	29.1%
Three to six months	18	15.4%
More than six months	10	8.5%
(No Response)	8	6.8%
Total	117	100.0%



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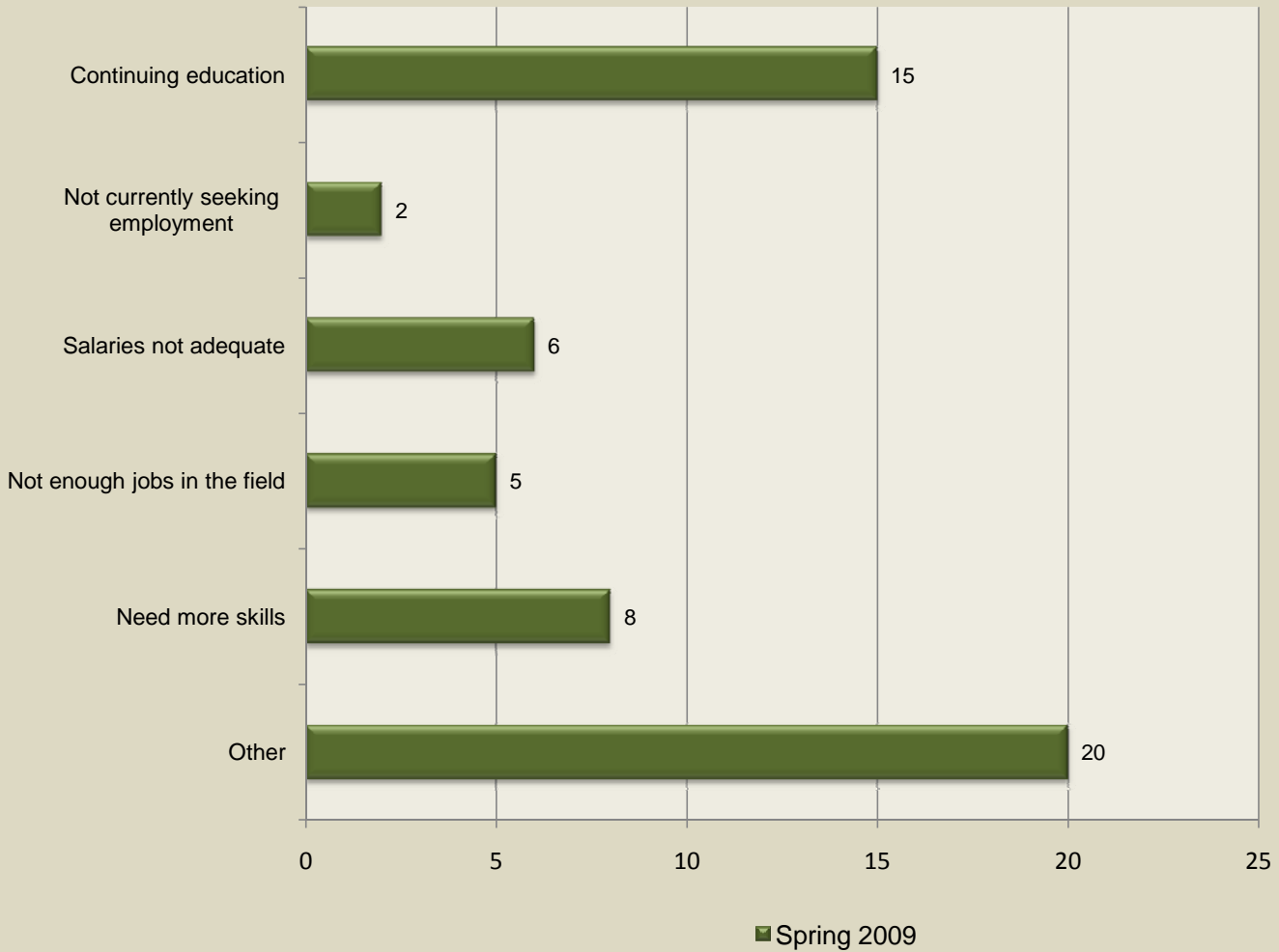
Reasons why graduates are unemployed or employed in a field unrelated to their field of study*

Continuing education	15	26.8%
Not currently seeking employment	2	3.6%
Salaries not adequate	6	10.7%
Not enough jobs in the field	5	8.9%
Need more skills	8	14.3%
Other	20	35.7%
Total	56	100.0%

*Table contains multiple responses.



Why Graduates are not Employed in their Field of Study



Employment Experiences

Level of Satisfaction in relation to job preparedness:	Average Rating*	
	Number	Average
	Spring 2009	
I feel well prepared to efficiently and effectively perform my job duties	115	4.17
My program of study at Delgado prepared me for my career goal	115	4.06

% of students who responded positively**	
Number	Average
Spring 2009	
95	82.6%
88	76.5%

* Scale is 1 to 5, 5 = Strongly Agree

** Percentage of students who responded Agree or Strongly Agree

Educational Experience at Delgado

Level of Satisfaction with your educational experience in relation to the field of study:	Average Rating*	
	Number	Average
	Spring 2009	
The program was logically organized; the material built from course to course	110	4.08
The program could be completed in a reasonable amount of time	111	4.14
The length of the program is appropriate to learn the material needed to start a career in this field	108	3.93
There was a good balance between theoretical material and applied learning in the program	109	3.95
Instructors were usually available to students outside the classroom	112	4.03
Instructional methods were effective in presenting the material	109	3.97
Course contents were up-to-date, giving good preparation in this field	110	4.01
Equipment and labs were modern and up to industry standards	101	3.73
I was satisfied with the quality of instruction I received	112	4.02
I would recommend this program at Delgado to others	112	4.09
I was satisfied with the quality of advising received	108	3.64
The advising I received kept me "on track" toward program completion	107	3.69

% of students who responded positively**	
Number	Average
Spring 2009	
91	82.7%
97	87.4%
87	80.6%
81	74.3%
89	79.5%
86	78.9%
87	79.1%
68	67.3%
88	78.6%
90	80.4%
65	60.2%
67	62.6%

* Scale is 1 to 5, 5 = Strongly Agree

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Educational Experience at Delgado
Levels of Satisfaction With Your Educational Experience

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Wages of Graduates

Delgado Major	Number used in Average	Wage Per Hour*	Number used in Average	Wage Per Hour in Field*
Accounting	2	**	1	**
Administrative Office Technology	1	**	0	**
Business Administration	7	17.65	4	13.09
Business & Management	0	**	0	**
Computer Aided Drafting & Design	0	**	0	**
Care and Development of Young Children	2	**	2	**
Computer Information Technology	2	**	1	**
Computer Network Technology	3	28.55	3	**
Construction Technology - Architectural Tech.	0	**	0	**
Construction Technology - Civil Tech.	1	**	1	**
Criminal Justice	4	16.83	2	**
Culinary Arts	0	**	0	**
Diagnostic Medical Sonography	0	**	0	**
Dietetic Technician	1	**	1	**
Educational Interpreting for the Deaf	0	**	1	**
Electrical Construction	0	**	0	**
Electrical Electronics Engineering Tech	1	**	1	**
Emergency Medical Technician	2	**	1	**
EST-Biomedical Equipment Repair	0	**	0	**
Fine Arts	0	**	0	**
Fire Protection Technology	1	**	1	**
Funeral Service Education	3	15.79	3	15.79
General Studies	0	**	1	**
General Science	3	11.34	0	**
Health Information Technology	1	**	1	**
Hospitality Management	0	**	0	**
Hospitality	0	**	0	**
Interior Design	1	**	0	**
Legal Secretary	1	**	1	**
Massage Therapy	3	35.20	2	**
Medical Coding	0	**	0	**
Medical Laboratory Technician	0	**	0	**
Motor Vehicle Technology	0	**	0	**
Music	2	**	0	**
Nursing	36	24.88	35	24.94
Nuclear Medical Technology	0	**	0	**
Occupational Therapy Assistant	0	**	0	**
Ophthalmic Medical Assistant	2	**	1	**
Pharmacy Technician	2	**	2	**
Performance & Media Arts	0	**	0	**
Physical Therapy Assisting	0	**	0	**
Radiological Technology	0	**	0	**
Respiratory Care Technology	0	**	0	**
Surgical Technology	1	**	0	**
Veterinary Technology	2	**	2	**
Visual Communications	2	**	0	**
*Wages are self-reported. Hours worked was assumed to be forty if the graduate did not specify.				
**Less than 3 respondents.				