

\* Responses for this report only include alumni within the college, except where noted.

	University	Human Ecology
Responses	438	50
Initial Population	2,382	298
Response Rate	18.38%	16.78%

#### **Survey Information:**

- The Alumni Survey is designed to give graduates an opportunity to reflect upon their years at K-State one year after graduation. This information is used to improve the college experience for future students by identifying strengths in our programs as well as areas that need further development. The survey includes questions relating to academic program satisfaction, intellectual and personal growth, student services, and preparation for a career or a graduate/professional school.
- The 2014-15 survey was administered to alumni who graduated one year prior. It was offered via e-mail over the period 9/17/2014-11/17/2014.

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\*Subsections (Employeed, Continuing Education, and Unemployeed) may be ommitted due to low response count (≤ 5 respondents)

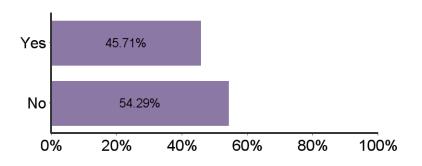


Types of research/creative endeavors

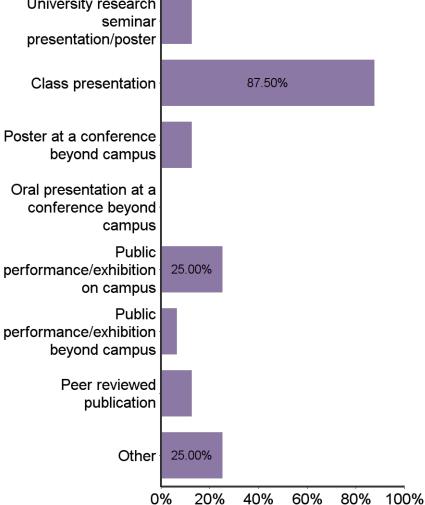
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Section Ia: 2025 - Research, Scholarly, Creative Activities, and Discovery Graphs

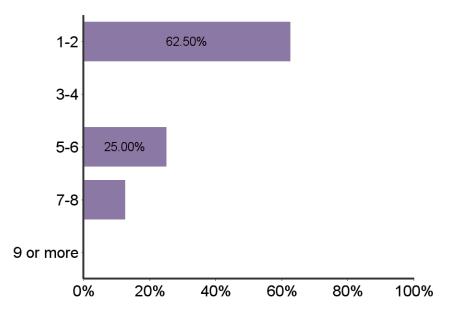
#### Percent of respondents' who participated in research/creative endeavors:



### University research seminar presentation/poster



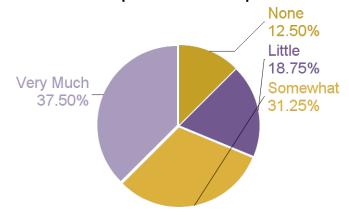
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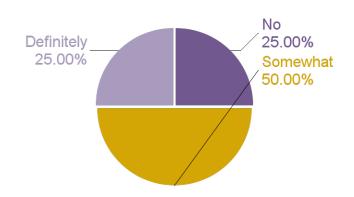


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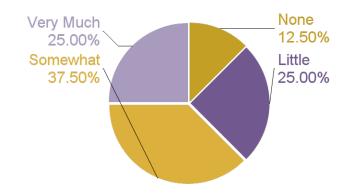
# Contribution of research/creative endeavor experience to success in respondents' current profession:



### Did respondents feel their research/creative endeavor contribute to their career choices?

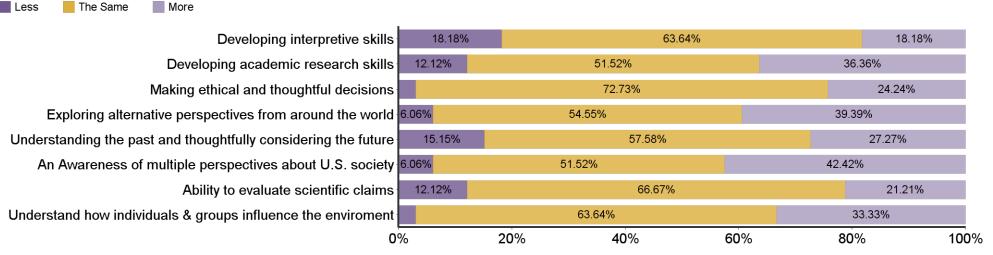


# Extent to which respondents felt their research/creative endeavor contributed to their undergraduate acedemic success:

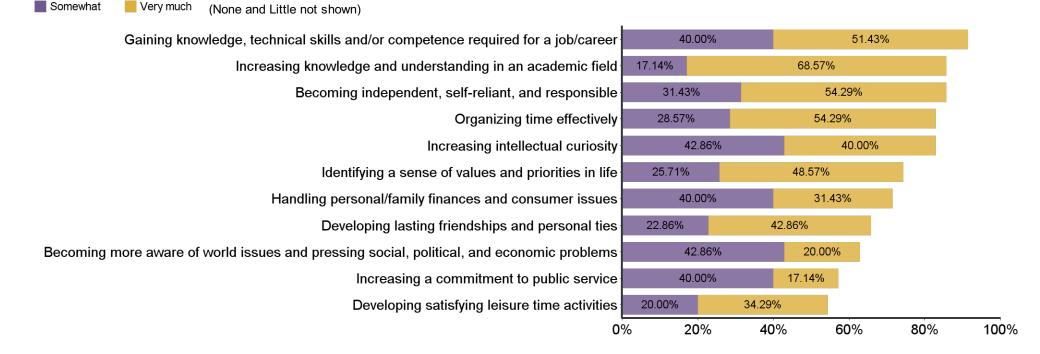


Section Ib: 2025 - Undergraduate Educational Experience Graphs

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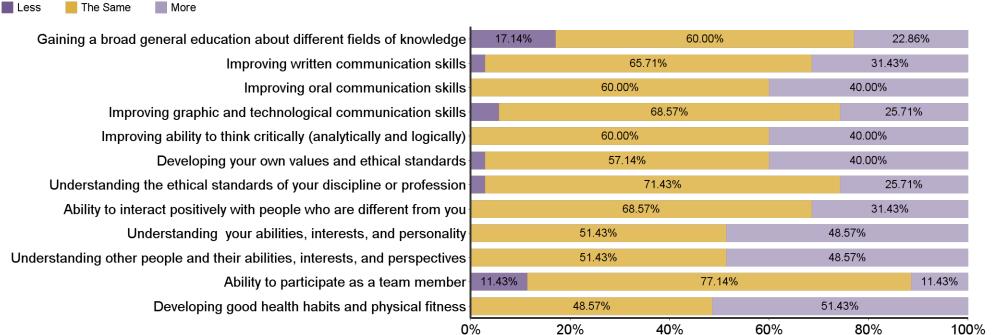
#### Amount respondents felt the Kansas State University contributed to growth in each area:



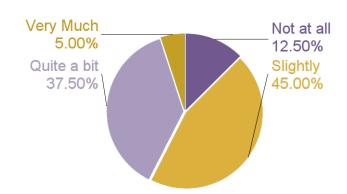


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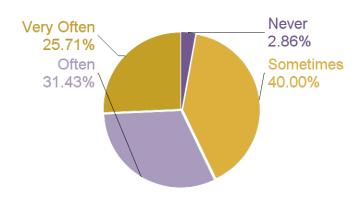
#### Emphasis respondents felt should have been placed on the following undergraduate learning outcomes:



Degree to which undergraduate experiences motivated respondents to become involved in community activities:

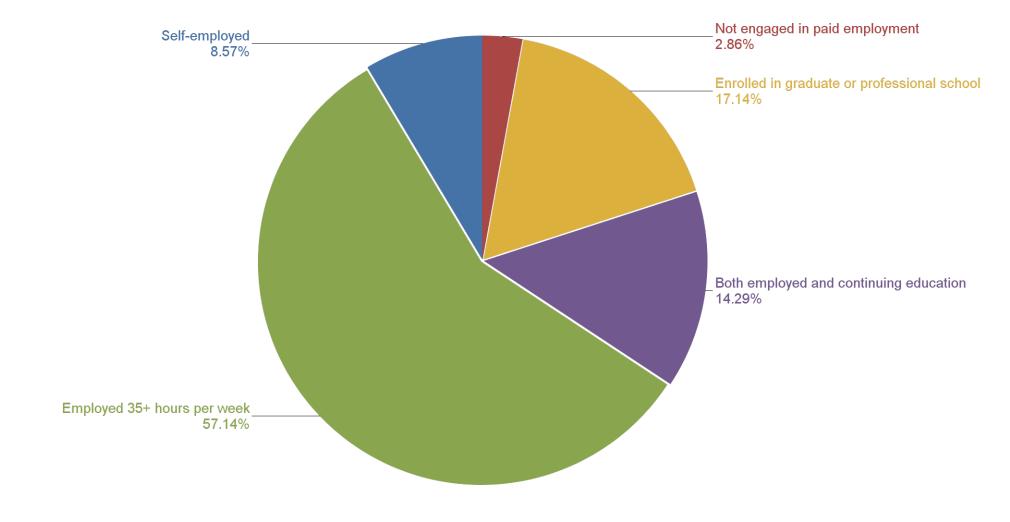


How often did your courses include diverse perspectives in activities, assignments, and discussions?



Section II: Current Activities Graphs

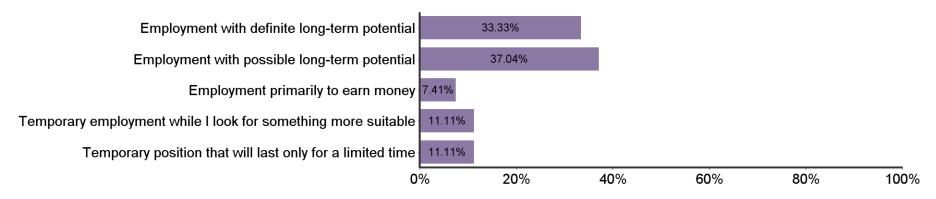
#### **Respondents' Current Activities:**



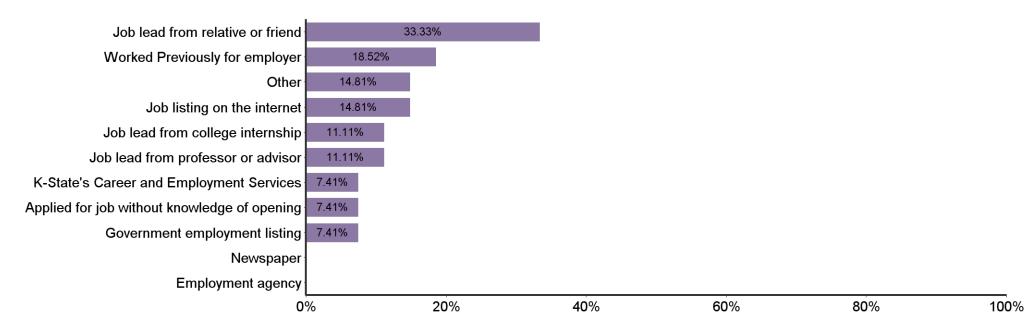
Section IIa: Current Activities - Employed Graphs

20 respondent(s) reported that they were engaged in full time employment

#### **Current position of respondents:**



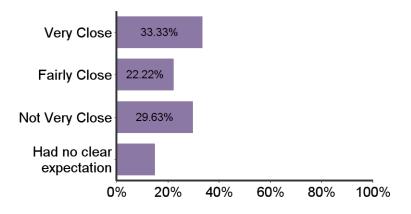
#### Respondents learned of job by:



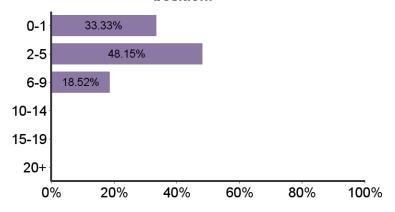


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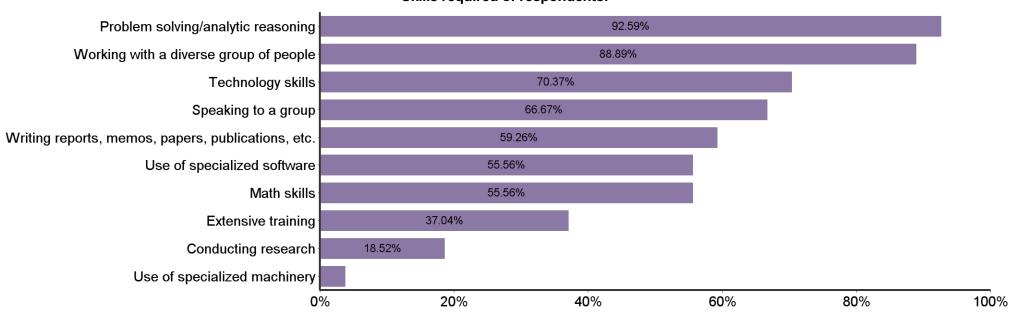
### How close respondents' current jobs are to the type of job they desired:



### Number if job interviews had before accepting current position:



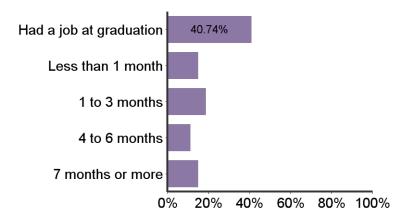
#### Skills required of respondents:



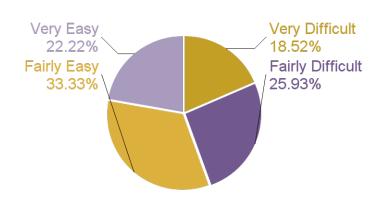


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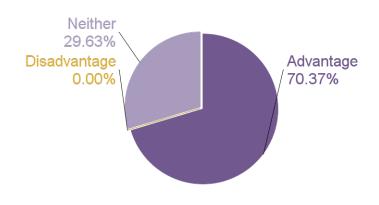
# Time taken for repondents to obtain current full-time postion:



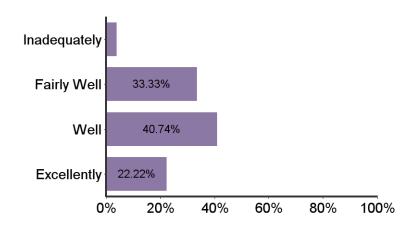
#### Degree of difficulty in finding employment:



# Respondents felt that their K-State experience gave them a/an:



# Degree to which respondents felt prepared for their present job:

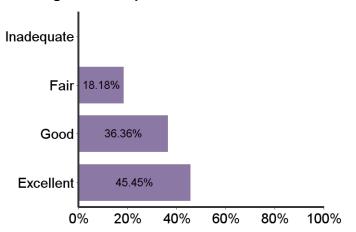




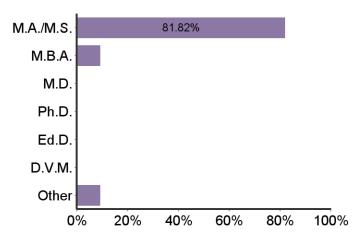
Section IIb: Current Activities - Continuing Education Graphs

6 respondent(s) reported that they were continuing their education and 5 respondent(s) reported they were both employeed and continuing their education

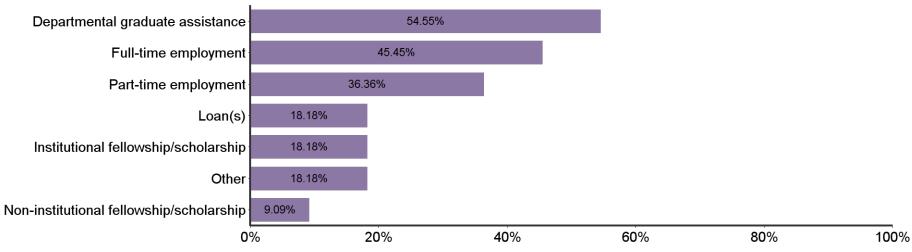
# Respondents' rating of quality of their undergraduate preparation for graduate or professional education:



#### Degree respondents are currently pursuing:



#### Financial assisstance that supports respondents' graduate study:





Section III: Demographics Tables

Responses by Gender				
Percent Count				
Female	92.0%	46		
Male	8.0%	4		
Total	100.0%	50		

Responses by College							
	Percent Count						
Human Ecology	100.0%	50					
Total	100.0%	50					

Responses by Citizenship Status					
Percent Count					
Citizen	100.0%	50			
Non-Citizen	0.0%	0			
Total	100.0%	50			

Responses by Ethnicity/Race					
	Percent Count				
White	92.0%	46			
Multi-Racial	2.0%	1			
Black	2.0%	1			
Asian	0.0%	0			
Total	96.0%	48			

Responses by Age				
	Percent Count			
23	26.0%	13		
24	30.0%	15		
25	16.0%	8		
26	12.0%	6		
27	4.0%	2		
28	2.0%	1		
30	2.0%	1		
33	2.0%	1		
36	2.0%	1		
53	2.0%	1		
54	2.0%	1		
Total	100.0%	50		



Section IVa: Student Life Tables
- Attitude Toward K-State

If you could start over, would you still choose to attend Kansas State University?						
Percent Count						
Definitely No	0.0%	0				
Probably No 0.0% 0						
Uncertain	2.9%	1				
Probably Yes	25.7%	9				
Definitely Yes	71.4%	25				
Total	100.0%	35				

Would you recommend Kansas State University to a potential student?						
Percent Count						
Definitely No	0.0%	0				
Probably No 0.0% 0						
Probably Yes 17.1% 6						
Definitely Yes 82.9% 29						
Total 100.0% 35						

How much has your overall quality of life been enhanced by your Kansas State University undergraduate experience?								
Percent Count								
None	2.9%	1						
Little	5.7% 2							
Somewhat 31.4% 11								
Very Much 60.0% 21								
Total	100.0%	35						





Section IVb: Student Life Tables - Student Affairs

With a year to reflect, how much did your Kansas State University college experience contribute to your growth in each of the following areas?					
	None	Little	Somewhat	Very Much	Count
Increasing knowledge and understanding in an academic field	2.9%	11.4%	17.1%	68.6%	35
Gaining knowledge, technical skills and/or competence required for a job/career	2.9%	5.7%	40.0%	51.4%	35
Increasing intellectual curiosity	0.0%	17.1%	42.9%	40.0%	35
Becoming more aware of world issues and pressing social, political, and economic problems	8.6%	28.6%	42.9%	20.0%	35
Organizing time effectively	2.9%	14.3%	28.6%	54.3%	35
Becoming independent, self-reliant, and responsible	0.0%	14.3%	31.4%	54.3%	35
Identifying a sense of values and priorities in life	2.9%	22.9%	25.7%	48.6%	35
Handling personal/family finances and consumer issues	11.4%	17.1%	40.0%	31.4%	35
Increasing a commitment to public service	14.3%	28.6%	40.0%	17.1%	35
Developing satisfying leisure time activities	11.4%	34.3%	20.0%	34.3%	35
Developing lasting friendships and personal ties	5.7%	28.6%	22.9%	42.9%	35

In your undergraduate experience, how often have did you have discussions with people from the following groups?									
Never Sometimes Often Very Often Cou									
People with political opinions of than your own	5.7%	42.9%	34.3%	17.1%	35				
People with religious beliefs other than your own	11.4%	34.3%	37.1%	17.1%	35				
People from economic situations other than your own	2.9%	34.3%	42.9%	20.0%	35				
People of races or ethnicities other than your own	0.0%	31.4%	31.4%	37.1%	35				

How often did your courses include diverse perspectives (political views, religious beliefs, racial/ethnic backgrounds, gender identities, etc.) in activities, assignments, and discussions?

	Percent	Count
Never	2.9%	1
Sometimes	40.0%	14
Often	31.4%	11
Very Often	25.7%	9
Total	100.0%	35

Section IVb: Student Life Tables - Student Affairs

#### After having a year to reflect, how satisfied are you with the following features of advising provided to you at Kansas State University?

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Count
Access to academic advising	2.9%	5.7%	20.0%	42.9%	28.6%	35
Assistance in course selection/developing a program of study	2.9%	8.6%	17.1%	48.6%	22.9%	35
Information provided about career/graduate school opportunities	5.7%	11.4%	28.6%	42.9%	11.4%	35

# Did poor advising require you to enroll for an additional semester (or longer) at Kansas State University?

	Percent	Count
Yes	11.8%	4
No	88.2%	30
Total	100.0%	34

# Upon completion of your Bachelor's degree, what was the total amount of student loan debt (Stafford, etc.) you had accumulated?

	Percent	Count
None	22.9%	8
Less than \$10,000	20.0%	7
\$10,000 to \$19,999	20.0%	7
\$20,000 to \$29,999	17.1%	6
\$30,000 to \$39,999	11.4%	4
\$40,000 or more	8.6%	3
Total	100.0%	35



Section IVc: Student Life Tables -Learning Outcomes

# Looking back on your college experience, do you believe K-State should have placed less, the same, or more emphasis on the following undergraduate learning outcomes:

	Less	The Same	More	Count
Gaining a broad general education about different fields of knowledge	17.1%	60.0%	22.9%	35
Improving written communication skills	2.9%	65.7%	31.4%	35
Improving oral communication skills	0.0%	60.0%	40.0%	35
Improving graphic and technological communication skills	5.7%	68.6%	25.7%	35
Improving ability to think critically (analytically and logically)	0.0%	60.0%	40.0%	35
Developing your own values and ethical standards	2.9%	57.1%	40.0%	35
Understanding the ethical standards of your discipline or profession	2.9%	71.4%	25.7%	35
Ability to interact positively with people who are different from you	0.0%	68.6%	31.4%	35
Understanding your abilities, interests, and personality	0.0%	51.4%	48.6%	35
Understanding other people and their abilities, interests, and perspectives	0.0%	51.4%	48.6%	35
Ability to participate as a team member	11.4%	77.1%	11.4%	35
Developing good health habits and physical fitness	0.0%	48.6%	51.4%	35



Section IVc: Student Life Tables - Learning Outcomes

Looking back on your college experience, do you believe K-State should have placed less, the same, or more emphasis on the following K-State 8 (general education) areas:

	Less	The Same	More	Count
Developing interpretive skills	18.2%	63.6%	18.2%	33
Developing academic research skills	12.1%	51.5%	36.4%	33
Making ethical and thoughtful decisions	3.0%	72.7%	24.2%	33
Exploring alternative perspectives from around the world	6.1%	54.5%	39.4%	33
Understanding the past and thoughtfully considering the future	15.2%	57.6%	27.3%	33
An Awareness of multiple perspectives about U.S. society	6.1%	51.5%	42.4%	33
Ability to evaluate scientific claims	12.1%	66.7%	21.2%	33
Understand how individuals & groups influence the environment	3.0%	63.6%	33.3%	33



Section IVd: Student Life Tables - Research

## In your undergraduate education, were you involved in a research or creative endeavor in or outside of coursework?

	Percent	Count
Yes	45.7%	16
No	54.3%	19
Total	100.0%	35

# How would you rate the contribution of your mentor to the success of your undergraduate research/creative endeavor?

	Percent	Count
Inadequate	0.0%	0
Fair	6.3%	1
Good	12.5%	2
Excellent	37.5%	6
Did not have a mentor	43.8%	7
Total	100.0%	16

# To what extent do you feel the undergraduate research/creative endeavor experience contributed to your undergraduate academic success?

	Percent	Count
None	12.5%	2
Little	18.8%	3
Somewhat	31.3%	5
Very Much	37.5%	6
Total	100.0%	16

Did your undergraduate research/creative endeavor experience contribute to career choices?				
Percent Count				
No	25.0%	4		
Somewhat	50.0%	8		
Definitely	25.0%	4		
Total	100.0%	16		

# How many semesters were you involved in undergraduate research/creative endeavor projects?

	Percent	Count
1-2	62.5%	10
3-4	0.0%	0
5-6	25.0%	4
7-8	12.5%	2
9 or more	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	16

# Indicate the contribution of the undergraduate research/creative endeavor experience to success in your current profession:

	Percent	Count
None	12.5%	2
Little	25.0%	4
Somewhat	37.5%	6
Very Much	25.0%	4
Total	100.0%	16





Section IVd: Student Life Tables - Research

#### What types of dissemination of your undergraduate research/creative endeavor did you successfully achieve? (select all that apply)

	Percent	Count
University research seminar presentation/poster	12.5%	2
Enrolled in graduate or professional school	87.5%	14
Poster at a conference beyond campus	12.5%	2
Oral presentation at a conference beyond campus	0.0%	0
Public performance/exhibition on campus	25.0%	4
Public performance/exhibition beyond campus	6.3%	1
Peer reviewed publication	12.5%	2
Other	25.0%	4

Section V: Current Activities Tables

Please select one statement that best describes your current activities.		
	Percent	Count
Not engaged in paid employment	2.9%	1
Enrolled in graduate or professional school	17.1%	6
Both employed and continuing education	14.3%	5
Employed 35+ hours per week	57.1%	20
Self-employed	8.6%	3
Total	100.0%	35



Section Va: Current Activities - Employed Tables

Is this your first job after graduation?		
	Percent	Count
Yes	55.6%	15
No	44.4%	12
Total	100.0%	27

Does your job require: (mark all that apply)			
	Percent	Count	
Technology skills	70.4%	19	
Conducting research	18.5%	5	
Extensive training	37.0%	10	
Math skills	55.6%	15	
Problem solving/analytic reasoning	92.6%	25	
Speaking to a group	66.7%	18	
Use of specialized machinery	3.7%	1	
Use of specialized software	55.6%	15	
Working with a diverse group of people	88.9%	24	
Writing reports, memos, papers, publications, etc.	59.3%	16	

Did your minor or secondary major give you an advantage when applying for a job?		
	Percent	Count
Yes	64.7%	11
No	35.3%	6
Did not graduate with a minor or secondary major	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	17

How did you learn of this job?		
	Percent	Count
Job lead from professor or advisor	11.1%	3
Job lead from relative or friend	33.3%	9
Job lead from college internship	11.1%	3
Government employment listing	7.4%	2
Employment agency	0.0%	0
Job listing on the internet	14.8%	4
Newspaper	0.0%	0
Worked Previously for employer	18.5%	5
Applied for job without knowledge of opening	7.4%	2
K-State's Career and Employment Services	7.4%	2
Other	14.8%	4



When did you initiate your job search for a career position?		
	Percent	Count
More than one year prior to graduation	7.4%	2
Nine months to one year prior to graduation	11.1%	3
Six to eight months prior to graduation	25.9%	7
Three to five months prior to graduation	22.2%	6
One to two months prior to graduation	11.1%	3
At graduation time	3.7%	1
One month after graduation	3.7%	1
More than one month after graduation	14.8%	4
Total	100.0%	27

How difficult was it for you to find employment?				
Percent Count				
Very Difficult	18.5%	5		
Fairly Difficult	25.9%	7		
Fairly Easy	33.3%	9		
Very Easy	22.2%	6		
Total	100.0%	27		

Section Va: Current Activities - Employed Tables

# How long did it take you to obtain your current full-time job after graduation?

	Percent	Count
Had a job at graduation	40.7%	11
Less than 1 month	14.8%	4
1 to 3 months	18.5%	5
4 to 6 months	11.1%	3
7 months or more	14.8%	4
Total	100.0%	27

# Approximately how many job interviews did you have before accepting your current position?

	Percent	Count
0-1	33.3%	9
2-5	48.1%	13
6-9	18.5%	5
10-14	0.0%	0
15-19	0.0%	0
20+	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	27

# How closely is your job related to your undergraduate field of study?

	Percent	Count
Not related	18.5%	5
Somewhat related	22.2%	6
Directly related	59.3%	16
Total	100.0%	27



Section Va: Current Activities - Employed Tables

How well do you feel that Kansas State University prepared you for your present job?			
	Percent	Count	
Inadequately	3.7%	1	
Fairly Well 33.3% 9			
Well 40.7% 11			
Excellently 22.2% 6			
Total	100.0%	27	

Compared to new employees from other colleges/universities, do you feel that your Kansas State University academic preparation gave you an:					
Percent Count					
Advantage	70.4%	19			
Disadvantage 0.0% 0					
Neither 29.6% 8					
Total 100.0% 27					

What is your current annual salary, before taxes?					
	Percent	Count			
Less than \$20,000	19.2%	5			
\$20,000 to \$29,999	38.5%	10			
\$30,000 to \$39,999	26.9%	7			
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7.7%	2			
\$50,000 to \$59,999	7.7%	2			
\$60,000 to \$69,999	0.0%	0			
\$70,000 to \$79,999	0.0%	0			
\$80,000 to \$89,999	0.0%	0			
\$90,000 to \$99,999	0.0%	0			
\$100,000 or more	0.0%	0			
Total	100.0%	26			

Which statement best describes your current position?					
	Percent	Count			
Employment with definite long-term potential	33.3%	9			
Employment with possible long- term potential	37.0%	10			
Employment primarily to earn money	7.4%	2			
Temporary employment while I look for something more suitable	11.1%	3			
Temporary position that will last only for a limited time	11.1%	3			
Total	100.0%	27			





Section Va: Current Activities - Employed Tables

Indicate your satisfaction with the following aspects of your present position:							
	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Count	
Salary/benefits	14.8%	14.8%	29.6%	29.6%	11.1%	27	
Location	0.0%	7.4%	37.0%	29.6%	25.9%	27	
Opportunity to use your qualifications	7.4%	11.1%	25.9%	29.6%	25.9%	27	
Opportunity to advance	11.1%	22.2%	37.0%	22.2%	7.4%	27	
Prestige/recognition	7.4%	18.5%	37.0%	22.2%	14.8%	27	
Interest/challenge of work	7.4%	3.7%	14.8%	48.1%	25.9%	27	
Working conditions	0.0%	3.7%	14.8%	40.7%	40.7%	27	
Opportunity to learn	7.4%	7.4%	14.8%	33.3%	37.0%	27	

Is your position challenging?				
Percent Count				
Yes	77.8%	21		
No	22.2%	6		
Total	100.0%	27		

Is a Bachelor's degree required for your current position?				
Percent Count				
Yes	48.1%	13		
No, but helpful	37.0%	10		
No, irrelevant	14.8%	4		
Total	100.0%	27		



Section Vb: Current Activities - Continuing Education Tables

What degree are you currently pursuing?					
	Percent Count				
M.A./M.S.	81.8%	9			
M.B.A.	9.1%	1			
M.D.	0.0%	0			
Ph.D.	0.0%	0			
Ed.D.	0.0%	0			
D.V.M.	0.0%	0			
Other	9.1%	1			
Total	100.0%	11			

What sources of financial assistance have supported your graduate study? (select all that apply)					
	Percent	Count			
Departmental graduate assistance	54.5%	6			
Institutional fellowship/scholarship	18.2%	2			
Non-institutional fellowship/scholarship	9.1%	1			
Full-time employment	45.5%	5			
Part-time employment	36.4%	4			
Loan(s)	18.2%	2			
Other	18.2%	2			

How would you rate the quality of your Kansas State University undergraduate preparation for graduate or professional education?					
Percent Count					
Inadequate	0.0%	0			
Fair	18.2%	2			
Good	36.4%	4			
Excellent	45.5%	5			
Total	100.0%	11			



Section VI: Civic Engagement Tables

In the past 12 months, how often have you participated in the following activities?								
	None	1-2 times	3-5 times	6-10 times	10+ times	2-3 times a week	Daily	Count
Attended plays/dramas	52.5%	32.5%	7.5%	7.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40
Attended concerts/recitals	40.0%	27.5%	25.0%	7.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40
Attended athletic events	17.5%	17.5%	17.5%	10.0%	32.5%	2.5%	2.5%	40
Visited museums, galleries, zoos, libraries	22.5%	30.0%	35.0%	5.0%	7.5%	0.0%	0.0%	40
Attended lectures	55.0%	25.0%	5.0%	2.5%	2.5%	7.5%	2.5%	40
Performed: music, drama, art	85.0%	5.0%	5.0%	2.5%	0.0%	2.5%	0.0%	40
Traveled to new places	15.4%	35.9%	25.6%	15.4%	7.7%	0.0%	0.0%	39
Gone to the movies	15.0%	32.5%	22.5%	15.0%	15.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40

Have you been a member of a volunteer group devoted to serving members of the community (e.g. scouts, League of Women Voters, hospice, 4-H, religious organizations, hospital volunteer, volunteer coach)?

	Percent	Count
No	60.0%	24
Yes	40.0%	16
Total	100.0%	40

# Have you been a member of a community service group (e.g., Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce, Optimist Club)?

	Percent	Count
No	87.5%	35
Yes	12.5%	5
Total	100.0%	40

# To what degree did your undergraduate experiences contribute to your interest and motivation to become involved in community activities?

	Percent	Count
Not at all	12.5%	5
Yes	45.0%	18
Quite a bit	37.5%	15
Very Much	5.0%	2
Total	100.0%	40