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|                    | University |
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| Responses          | 454        |
| Initial Population | 2419       |
| Response Rate      | 18.77%     |

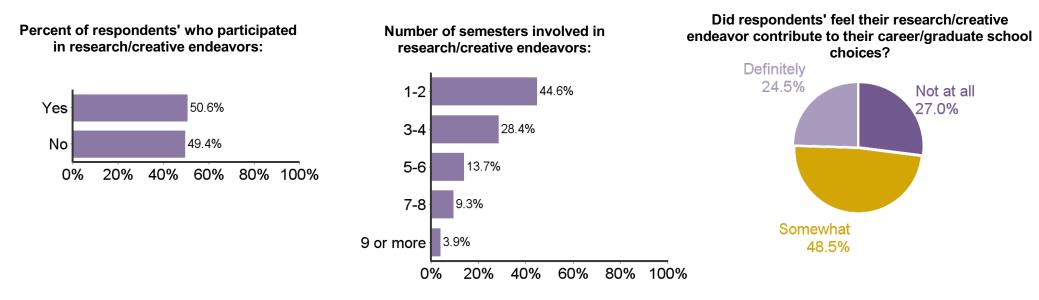
### **Survey Information:**

- 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 graduate/professional school.
- The 2016-17 survey was administered to alumni who graduated in summer 2014, fall 2014, and spring 2015. It was offered via e-mail over the period 09/19/2016-10/18/2016.

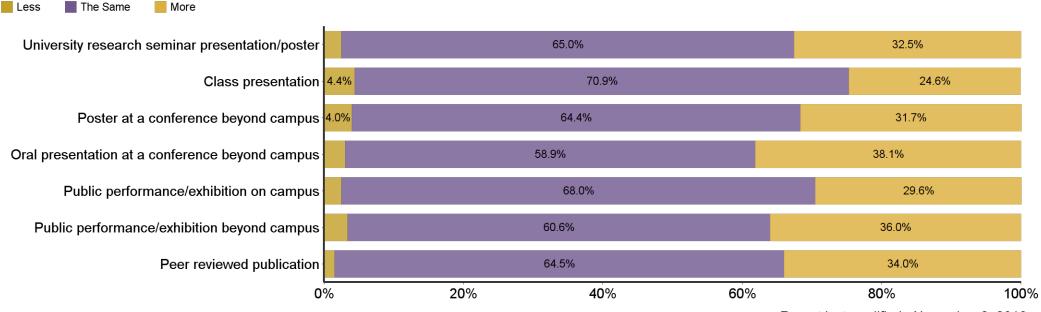
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Section Ia: 2025 - Research, Scholarly, Creative Activities, and Discovery Graphs



Reflecting upon your undergraduate experience, do you believe K-State should have provided less, the same, or more opportunities to be involved in the following?



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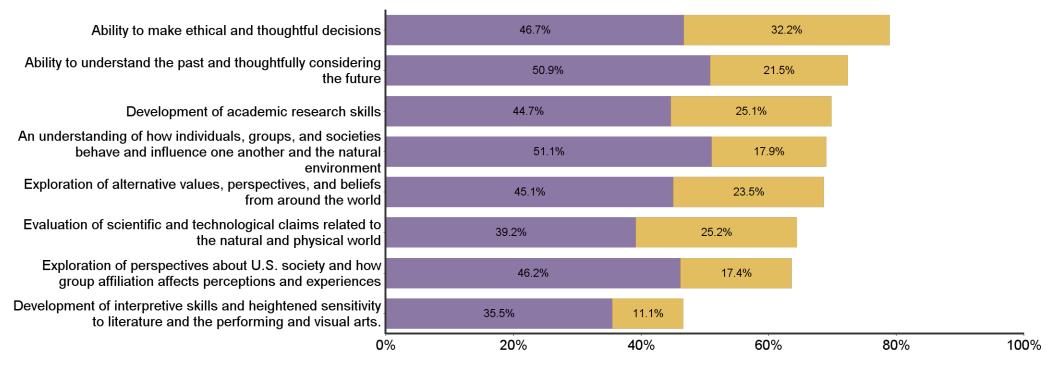
Section Ib: 2025 - Undergraduate Educational Experience Graphs

To what extent has each of the following K-State 8 (general education) areas contributed to your understanding of your profession and/or the world around (None and Little are not shown) you?



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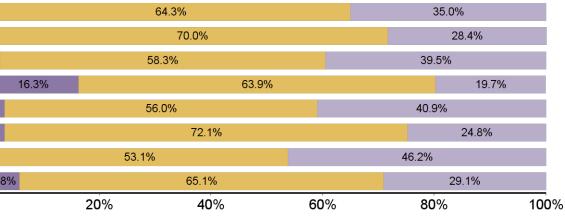
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Looking back, do you believe K-State should have placed less, the same, or more emphasis on the following undergraduate learning outcomes?

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|      | Improving oral communication skills  |
|------|--|
|      | Professional and ethical standards   |
|      | Improving graphic and technological communication skills                   |
|      | Gaining a broad general education about different fields of knowledge      |
|      | Working with people that have other abilities, interests, and perspectives |
|      | Improving written communication skills                                     |
|      | Improving ability to think critically (analytically and logically)         |
| 5.8% | Developing personal values   |
| %    | 0  |



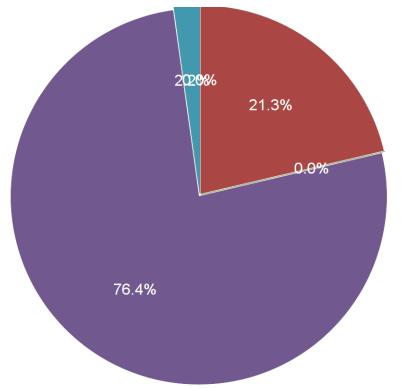
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**2016 University Report** Section II: Current Activities Graphs



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



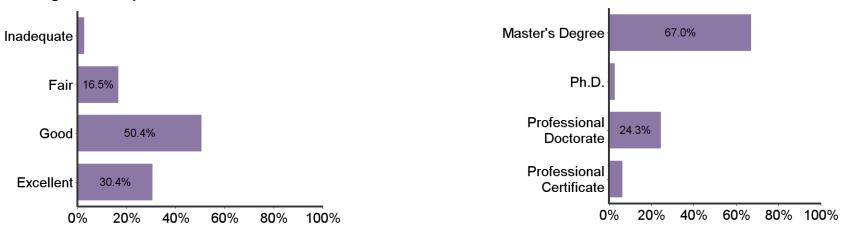


Section IIa: Current Activities -Continuing Education Graphs

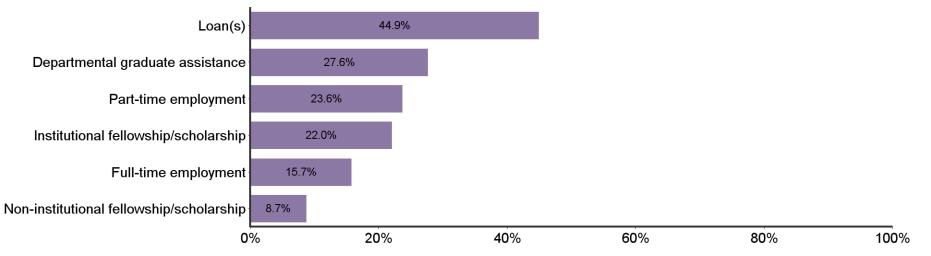
### **116** respondent(s) reported that they were continuing their education

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

### Degree respondents' are currently pursuing:



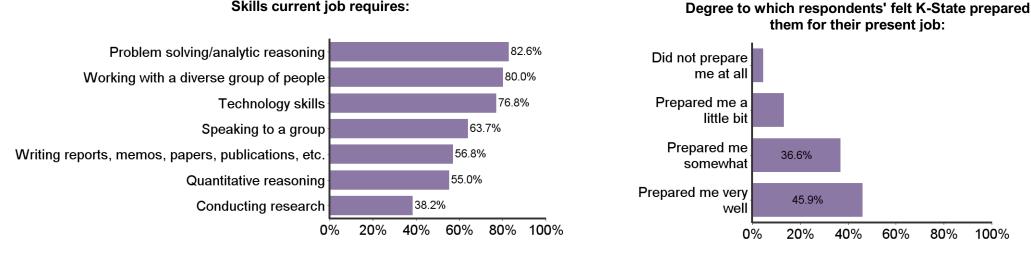
### Financial assisstance that supports respondents' graduate study:



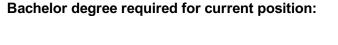


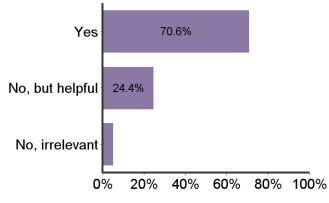
Section IIb: Current Activities -**Employed Graphs** 

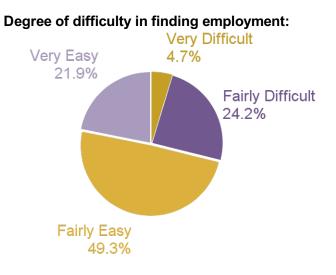
**308** respondent(s) reported that they were engaged in full time employment



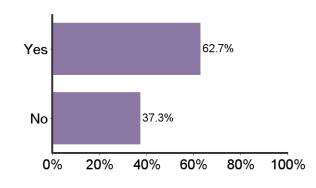
### Skills current job requires:





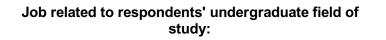


### Minor/secondary major gave respondents an advantage when seeking employment:





2016 University Report Section IIb: Current Activities -Employed Graphs



29.7%

40%

11.9%

20%

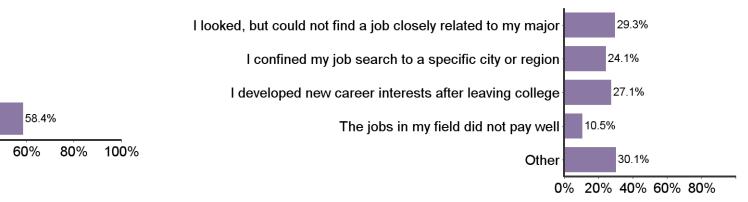
Not related

Somewhat related

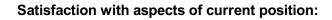
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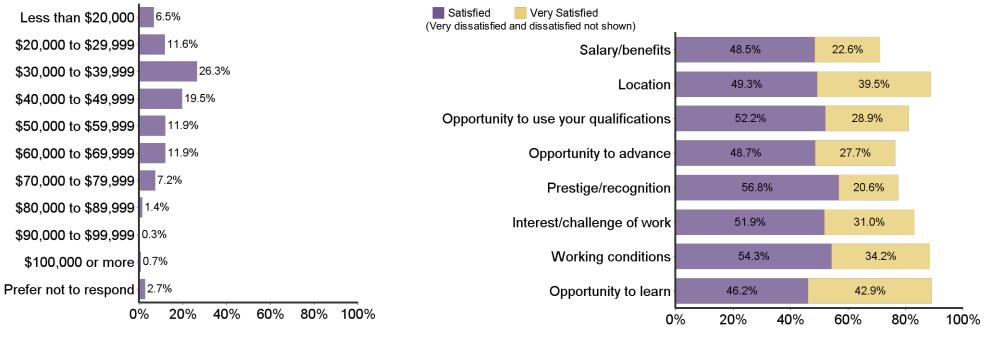
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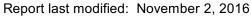


Current salary before taxes:





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| Education               | 3.7%  |  |
|-------------------------|-------|--|
| Engineering             | 16.1% |  |
| Human Ecology           | 14.8% |  |
| Technology and Aviation | 1.1%  |  |

**Responses by College** 

Percent

18.9%

32.2%

13.2%

100.0%

Count

86

146

60

17

73

67

5

454

| Responses by Ethnicity/Race |         |       |  |
|-----------------------------|---------|-------|--|
|                             | Percent | Count |  |
|                             | 0.2%    | 1     |  |
| American Indian             | 0.4%    | 2     |  |
| Asian                       | 3.3%    | 15    |  |
| Black                       | 1.8%    | 8     |  |
| Hispanic                    | 5.5%    | 25    |  |
| Multi-Racial                | 2.2%    | 10    |  |
| Prefer not to respond       | 1.3%    | 6     |  |
| White                       | 85.2%   | 387   |  |
| Total                       | 100.0%  | 454   |  |

**Responses by Citizenship Status** 

| Responses by Gender |         |       |  |
|---------------------|---------|-------|--|
|                     | Percent | Count |  |
| Female              | 58.4%   | 265   |  |
| Male                | 41.6%   | 189   |  |
| Total               | 100.0%  | 454   |  |

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Agriculture

Total

Arts and Sciences

**Business Administration** 

|             | Percent | Count |
|-------------|---------|-------|
| Citizen     | 96.5%   | 438   |
| Non-Citizen | 3.5%    | 16    |
| Total       | 100.0%  | 454   |



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  | 1.8%    | 8     |
| Probably No    | 3.7%    | 16    |
| Uncertain      | 5.3%    | 23    |
| Probably Yes   | 20.6%   | 90    |
| Definitely Yes | 68.6%   | 300   |
| Total          | 100.0%  | 437   |

### How much has your overall quality of life been enhanced by your Kansas State University undergraduate experience?

|           | Percent | Count |
|-----------|---------|-------|
| None      | 2.7%    | 12    |
| Little    | 5.5%    | 24    |
| Somewhat  | 34.9%   | 153   |
| Very Much | 56.8%   | 249   |
| Total     | 100.0%  | 438   |

| Would you recommend Kansas State University to a pote student? | ential |
|--|--------|
|  |        |

|                | Percent | Count |
|----------------|---------|-------|
| Definitely No  | 0.9%    | 4     |
| Probably No    | 1.4%    | 6     |
| Uncertain      | 4.3%    | 19    |
| Probably Yes   | 18.0%   | 79    |
| Definitely Yes | 75.3%   | 330   |
| Total          | 100.0%  | 438   |

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

|             | Percent | Count |
|-------------|---------|-------|
| Not at all  | 11.7%   | 51    |
| Slightly    | 40.3%   | 176   |
| Quite a bit | 25.4%   | 111   |
| Very Much   | 22.7%   | 99    |
| Total       | 100.0%  | 437   |

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

|                       | Percent | Count |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|
| None                  | 38.6%   | 167   |
| Less than \$10,000    | 7.2%    | 31    |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999  | 9.7%    | 42    |
| \$20,000 to \$29,999  | 11.3%   | 49    |
| \$30,000 to \$39,999  | 13.2%   | 57    |
| \$40,000 or more      | 15.9%   | 69    |
| Prefer not to respond | 4.2%    | 18    |
| Total                 | 100.0%  | 433   |



| 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: |       |          |       | following |
|---|-------|----------|-------|-----------|
|   | Less  | The Same | More  | Count     |
| Gaining a broad general education about different fields of knowledge   | 16.3% | 63.9%    | 19.7% | 416       |
| Improving written communication skills  | 3.1%  | 72.1%    | 24.8% | 416       |
| Improving oral communication skills   | 0.7%  | 64.3%    | 35.0% | 414       |
| Improving graphic and technological communication skills  | 2.2%  | 58.3%    | 39.5% | 415       |
| Improving ability to think critically (analytically and logically)  | 0.7%  | 53.1%    | 46.2% | 416       |
| Developing personal values  | 5.8%  | 65.1%    | 29.1% | 416       |
| Professional and ethical standards  | 1.7%  | 70.0%    | 28.4% | 416       |
| Working with people that have other abilities, interests, and perspectives  | 3.1%  | 56.0%    | 40.9% | 416       |

| Reflecting upon your undergraduate experience, do you believe K-State should have provided less, the same, or more opportunities to discuss issues with the following groups? |      |          |       |
|---|------|----------|-------|
|   | Less | The Same | More  |
| People with political opinions differnt from your own   | 7.0% | 66.9%    | 26.1% |
| People with religious beliefs other than your own   | 8.7% | 63.0%    | 28.3% |
| People from economic situations other than your own   | 4.8% | 61.4%    | 33.8% |
| People of races or ethnicities other than your own  | 4.4% | 61.0%    | 34.6% |



| To what extent has each of the following K-State 8 (general education) areas contributed to your understanding of your profession and/or the world around you? |       |        |       |       |
|--|-------|--------|-------|-------|
|  | None  | Little | Some  | Alot  |
| Development of interpretive skills and heightened sensitivity to literature and the performing and visual arts.  | 17.0% | 33.8%  | 35.5% | 11.1% |
| Development of academic research skills  | 7.4%  | 20.9%  | 44.7% | 25.1% |
| Ability to make ethical and thoughtful decisions   | 7.6%  | 13.9%  | 46.7% | 32.2% |
| Exploration of alternative values, perspectives, and beliefs from around the world   | 9.3%  | 23.6%  | 45.1% | 23.5% |
| Ability to understand the past and thoughtfully considering the future   | 6.9%  | 22.0%  | 50.9% | 21.5% |
| Exploration of perspectives about U.S. society and how group affiliation affects perceptions and experiences   | 9.8%  | 25.6%  | 46.2% | 17.4% |
| Evaluation of scientific and technological claims related to the natural and physical world  | 10.3% | 22.6%  | 39.2% | 25.2% |
| An understanding of how individuals, groups, and societies behave and influence one another and the natural environment  | 7.6%  | 21.1%  | 51.1% | 17.9% |



Section IVc: 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   | 50.6%   | 209   |
| No    | 49.4%   | 204   |
| Total | 100.0%  | 413   |

# How many semesters were you involved in undergraduate research/creative endeavor projects while at K-State?

|           | Percent | Count |
|-----------|---------|-------|
| 1-2       | 44.6%   | 91    |
| 3-4       | 28.4%   | 58    |
| 5-6       | 13.7%   | 28    |
| 7-8       | 9.3%    | 19    |
| 9 or more | 3.9%    | 8     |
| Total     | 100.0%  | 204   |

## Did your undergraduate research/creative experience influence your career and/or graduate school choices?

|            | Percent | Count |
|------------|---------|-------|
| Not at all | 27.0%   | 55    |
| Somewhat   | 48.5%   | 99    |
| Definitely | 24.5%   | 50    |
| Total      | 100.0%  | 204   |

Reflecting upon your undergraduate experience, do you believe K-State should have provided less, the same, or more opportunities to be involved in the following?

|   | Less | The Same | More  |
|---|------|----------|-------|
| University research seminar presentation/poster | 2.5% | 65.0%    | 32.5% |
| Class presentation                              | 4.4% | 70.9%    | 24.6% |
| Poster at a conference beyond campus            | 4.0% | 64.4%    | 31.7% |
| Oral presentation at a conference beyond campus | 3.0% | 58.9%    | 38.1% |
| Public performance/exhibition on campus         | 2.5% | 68.0%    | 29.6% |
| Public performance/exhibition beyond campus     | 3.4% | 60.6%    | 36.0% |
| Peer reviewed publication                       | 1.5% | 64.5%    | 34.0% |



| Please select one statement that best describes your current activities.  |         |       |  |
|---|---------|-------|--|
|   | Percent | Count |  |
| Employed  | 76.4%   | 308   |  |
| Enrolled in graduate or professional school                               | 21.3%   | 86    |  |
| Both employed (other than graduate assistant) and continuing my education | 0.0%    | 0     |  |
| Self-employed   | 2.2%    | 9     |  |
| Not engaged in paid employment  | 0.0%    | 0     |  |
| Total   | 100.0%  | 403   |  |



| What degree are you currently pursuing? |         |       |  |
|---|---------|-------|--|
|   | Percent | Count |  |
| Professional Certificate                | 7.2%    | 10    |  |
| Master's Degree                         | 64.5%   | 89    |  |
| Ph.D.                                   | 8.7%    | 12    |  |
| Professional Doctorate                  | 19.6%   | 27    |  |
| Total                                   | 100.0%  | 138   |  |

### How would you rate the quality of your Kansas State University undergraduate preparation for graduate or professional education?

|            | Percent | Count |
|------------|---------|-------|
| Inadequate | 2.6%    | 3     |
| Fair       | 16.5%   | 19    |
| Good       | 50.4%   | 58    |
| Excellent  | 30.4%   | 35    |
| Total      | 100.0%  | 115   |

**2016 University Report** Section Va: Current Activities - Continuing Education Tables

| What sources of financial assistance have supported your graduate study? (select all that apply) |         |       |  |
|--|---------|-------|--|
|  | Percent | Count |  |
| Departmental graduate assistance   | 27.6%   | 35    |  |
| Institutional fellowship/scholarship   | 22.0%   | 28    |  |
| Non-institutional<br>fellowship/scholarship  | 8.7%    | 11    |  |
| Full-time employment   | 15.7%   | 20    |  |
| Part-time employment   | 23.6%   | 30    |  |
| Loan(s)  | 44.9%   | 57    |  |



**2016 University Report** Section Vb: Current Activities - Employed Tables

| In what field did you find full time employment? |       |    |  |  |
|--|-------|----|--|--|
| Percent Count                                    |       |    |  |  |
| Agriculture                                      | 13.1% | 44 |  |  |
| Engineering                                      | 12.5% | 42 |  |  |
| Other  | 9.5%  | 32 |  |  |
| Education  | 9.5%  | 32 |  |  |
| Healthcare                                       | 4.8%  | 16 |  |  |
| Finance/Insurance                                | 4.8%  | 16 |  |  |
| Technology                                       | 3.9%  | 13 |  |  |
| Media  | 3.3%  | 11 |  |  |
| Military   | 2.7%  | 9  |  |  |
| Food Services                                    | 2.7%  | 9  |  |  |
| Retail/Sales                                     | 2.4%  | 8  |  |  |
| Human Resources                                  | 2.4%  | 8  |  |  |
| Construction                                     | 2.4%  | 8  |  |  |
| Fashion/Design/Art                               | 2.1%  | 7  |  |  |
| Scientific                                       | 2.1%  | 7  |  |  |

| In what field did you find full time employment? |         |       |
|--|---------|-------|
|  | Percent | Count |
| Communications                                   | 2.1%    | 7     |
| Government                                       | 2.1%    | 7     |
| Animal Care                                      | 1.8%    | 6     |
| Social Services                                  | 1.8%    | 6     |
| Professional Services                            | 1.8%    | 6     |
| Energy   | 1.5%    | 5     |
| Non-Profit                                       | 1.5%    | 5     |
| Aviation   | 1.5%    | 5     |
| Computer Services                                | 1.2%    | 4     |
| Religion   | 1.2%    | 4     |
| Manufacturing                                    | 1.2%    | 4     |
| Transportation                                   | 0.9%    | 3     |
| Child Care                                       | 0.9%    | 3     |
| Public relations                                 | 0.9%    | 3     |
| Legal Services                                   | 0.6%    | 2     |
| Real Estate                                      | 0.6%    | 2     |
| Recreation/Fitness                               | 0.3%    | 1     |
| Architecture                                     | 0.3%    | 1     |

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| Does your job require: (mark all that apply)       |         |       |
|--|---------|-------|
|  | Percent | Count |
| Technology skills                                  | 76.8%   | 292   |
| Conducting research                                | 38.2%   | 145   |
| Quantitative reasoning                             | 55.0%   | 209   |
| Problem solving/analytic reasoning                 | 82.6%   | 314   |
| Speaking to a group                                | 63.7%   | 242   |
| Working with a diverse group of people             | 80.0%   | 304   |
| Writing reports, memos, papers, publications, etc. | 56.8%   | 216   |

| Did your minor or secondary major give you an advantage<br>when applying for a job? |        |     |  |
|---|--------|-----|--|
| Percent Count   |        |     |  |
| Yes   | 62.7%  | 136 |  |
| No  | 37.3%  | 81  |  |
| Total   | 100.0% | 217 |  |

### How difficult was it for you to find employment?

|                  | Percent | Count |
|------------------|---------|-------|
| Very Difficult   | 4.7%    | 16    |
| Fairly Difficult | 24.2%   | 83    |
| Fairly Easy      | 49.3%   | 169   |
| Very Easy        | 21.9%   | 75    |
| Total            | 100.0%  | 343   |

### Is a Bachelor's degree required for your current position?

|                 | Percent | Count |
|-----------------|---------|-------|
| Yes             | 70.6%   | 243   |
| No, but helpful | 24.4%   | 84    |
| No, irrelevant  | 4.9%    | 17    |
| Total           | 100.0%  | 344   |



Section Vb: Current Activities - Employed Tables

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

|                  | Percent | Count |
|------------------|---------|-------|
| Not related      | 11.9%   | 41    |
| Somewhat related | 29.7%   | 102   |
| Directly related | 58.4%   | 201   |
| Total            | 100.0%  | 344   |

# If you indicated that your job is not related or only somewhat related to your major, what is the principle reason?

|   | Percent | Count |
|---|---------|-------|
| I looked, but could not find a job closely<br>related to my major | 29.3%   | 39    |
| I confined my job search to a specific city<br>or region          | 24.1%   | 32    |
| I developed new career interests after<br>leaving college         | 27.1%   | 36    |
| The jobs in my field did not pay well                             | 10.5%   | 14    |
| Other   | 30.1%   | 40    |

# How well do you feel that Kansas State University prepared you for your present job?

|                           | Percent | Count |
|---------------------------|---------|-------|
| Did not prepare me at all | 4.4%    | 15    |
| Prepared me a little bit  | 13.1%   | 45    |
| Prepared me somewhat      | 36.6%   | 126   |
| Prepared me very well     | 45.9%   | 158   |
| Total                     | 100.0%  | 344   |

### What is your current annual salary, before taxes?

|                       | Percent | Count |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|
| Less than \$20,000    | 6.5%    | 19    |
| \$20,000 to \$29,999  | 11.6%   | 34    |
| \$30,000 to \$39,999  | 26.3%   | 77    |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999  | 19.5%   | 57    |
| \$50,000 to \$59,999  | 11.9%   | 35    |
| \$60,000 to \$69,999  | 11.9%   | 35    |
| \$70,000 to \$79,999  | 7.2%    | 21    |
| \$80,000 to \$89,999  | 1.4%    | 4     |
| \$90,000 to \$99,999  | 0.3%    | 1     |
| \$100,000 or more     | 0.7%    | 2     |
| Prefer not to respond | 2.7%    | 8     |
| Total                 | 100.0%  | 293   |



| Indicate your satisfaction with the following aspects of your present position: |                   |              |           |                |       |
|---|-------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
|   | Very Dissatisfied | Dissatisfied | Satisfied | Very Satisfied | Count |
| Salary/benefits   | 5.0%              | 23.8%        | 48.5%     | 22.6%          | 340   |
| Location  | 2.7%              | 8.6%         | 49.3%     | 39.5%          | 339   |
| Opportunity to use your qualifications  | 3.8%              | 15.0%        | 52.2%     | 28.9%          | 339   |
| Opportunity to advance  | 3.5%              | 20.1%        | 48.7%     | 27.7%          | 339   |
| Prestige/recognition  | 2.6%              | 20.0%        | 56.8%     | 20.6%          | 340   |
| Interest/challenge of work  | 3.2%              | 13.9%        | 51.9%     | 31.0%          | 339   |
| Working conditions  | 2.4%              | 9.1%         | 54.3%     | 34.2%          | 339   |
| Opportunity to learn  | 1.8%              | 9.1%         | 46.2%     | 42.9%          | 340   |



Section Vc: Current Activities -Unemployed Tables



I have chosen not to be employed

I quit a job to seek other employment

I chose to confine my job search to a specific

My job search was limited due to a need to find career opportunities in the same

I have not limited my job search in any way, but have been unable to find a satisfactory job

geographic region with someone else

Having/Expecting a child changed my

I was laid off by my employer

city or region

since graduation

employment plans

Other

Total

| Indicate the | primary | reason | vou are | not em | nploved. |
|--------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|----------|

Percent

17.6%

5.9%

11.8%

11.8%

5.9%

5.9%

5.9%

35.3%

100.0%

Count

3

1

2

2

1

1

1

6

17

| Have you sought job placement assistance from Kansas State |  |
|--|--|
| University's Office of Career and Employment Services?     |  |

|  | Percent | Count |
|--|---------|-------|
| Yes, it has been helpful   | 0.0%    | 0     |
| Yes, but it has not been helpful                                     | 5.9%    | 1     |
| No, I didn't register with the office                                | 76.5%   | 13    |
| No, I registered with the office, but didn't seek further assistance | 17.6%   | 3     |
| Total  | 100.0%  | 17    |

| Do you plan to seek paid employment? |         |       |  |
|--------------------------------------|---------|-------|--|
|                                      | Percent | Count |  |
| Yes, within 12 months                | 70.6%   | 12    |  |
| Yes, in 1 to 5 years                 | 29.4%   | 5     |  |
| Yes, in more than 5 years            | 0.0%    | 0     |  |
| No                                   | 0.0%    | 0     |  |
| Total                                | 100.0%  | 17    |  |

#### How would you describe your current status of not being employed?

|                       | Percent | Count |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|
| Serious Problem       | 17.6%   | 3     |
| Minor Problem         | 29.4%   | 5     |
| No Problem, My Choice | 52.9%   | 9     |
| Total                 | 100.0%  | 17    |