

CAREER MONITORING SURVEY FOR 2013 GRADUATES

My survey responses will be kept confidential and they can be used for research purposes.*

I accept

I do not accept

BACKGROUND

What was your highest degree before your graduation in 2013?

General upper secondary graduate

Vocational upper secondary qualification

Bachelor's degree in a UAS

Bachelor's degree in a university

Master's degree in a university

Master's degree in a UAS

Doctoral or licentiate degree

Other

If you selected option "Other", please specify:

Which of the following options best describes your work experience before you started the degree you completed in 2013?

Not at all or only a little work experience

Some work experience

Several years in the same field as my degree completed in 2013

Several years in a different field than my degree completed in 2013

Several years in various fields and in a variety of jobs

None of the above-mentioned

If you selected the option "None of the above-mentioned", describe your work experience:

SATISFACTION WITH DEGREE

Please assess your satisfaction with the degree you completed in 2013 based on the following statements.

Please select the most suitable option:

1 = fully disagree

2 = disagree

3 = slightly disagree

4 = slightly agree

5 = agree

6 = fully agree

1) Employers value my degree.

1 2 3 4 5 6

2) I would recommend my studies to others.

1 2 3 4 5 6

3) The learning objectives were made clear during the studies.

1 2 3 4 5 6

4) The degree equipped me sufficiently for the working life.

1 2 3 4 5 6

5) The degree offered entrepreneurship skills.

1 2 3 4 5 6

How satisfied are you overall with the degree you completed in 2013 in terms of your career?

Very dissatisfied

Dissatisfied

Slightly dissatisfied

Slightly satisfied

Satisfied

Very satisfied

Please specify:

OVERALL CAREER

Which of the following options best describes your career so far?

Continuously working for the same employer or as an entrepreneur since graduation.

Working for several different employers or temporary jobs or assignments or working with a grant. Not many breaks.

Changing employers or duties, with breaks, studies or periods of unemployment in between.

Unemployment alternating with occasional temporary jobs, practical training and contract or freelance work.

Mainly outside the labor force: for example, studies and/or parental leave for most of the time.

Other

If you selected option "Other", please specify:

Have you worked as an entrepreneur or been self-employed or a freelancer after graduation?

Please select the most suitable option.

No

Yes; most/all of my income comes from work carried out as an entrepreneur/freelancer.

Yes; most/all of my income used to come from work carried out as an entrepreneur/freelancer, but I am now in an employment relationship.

Yes; I occasionally have (had) assignments/freelance jobs, but they are not my main source of income, since I also have a regular job.

Yes; I have assignment/freelance jobs, but they do not provide me with sufficient income, and I do not have a regular job.

If you have worked as an entrepreneur, in how many companies have you been the establisher or a partner since graduation?

1

2

3 or more

How many persons have your companies employed in addition to yourself?

0

1

2-3

4-9

10-19

20-49

50-99

100 or more

How satisfied are you with your career so far?

Very dissatisfied

Dissatisfied

Slightly dissatisfied

Slightly satisfied

Satisfied

Very satisfied

EDUCATION AFTER GRADUATION

Have you taken part in any education since graduating in 2013?

Vocational upper secondary education

Professional further education (vocational or specialist qualification)

Professional specialisation studies (UAS)

Qualifications upgrade (to obtain authorisation)

Bachelor's degree studies in a UAS

Master's degree studies in a UAS

Master's degree studies in a university

Doctoral or licentiate degree studies

Shorter training, courses or modules

Other education

I have not participated in education

What was the most important reason for your participation in the above-mentioned education?

Professional skills development

Career advancement

Employment difficulties

Change of field/profession

Self-development

Pay increase or other incentive (e.g. having a permanent job)

Degree/option did not respond to working life needs

Degree level did not respond to working life needs

Other reason

If you selected option "Other reason", please specify:

WORK SITUATION AT THE TIME OF GRADUATION

Which of the following options best described your situation at the time of graduation?

Permanent full-time job

Fixed-term full-time job

Part-time job

Independent entrepreneur/self-employed/freelancer (with your own business ID)

Several employment relationships in parallel (working with a tax card)

Subsidised employment/practical training

Unemployed job seeker

Labour force training or similar

Full-time studies (leading to a degree or grade)

Family leave (from an employment relationship)

Family leave (no employment relationship)

Working with a grant

Outside the labour force (military service, etc.)

Other

If you selected option "Other", please specify:

What was your principal employer in your first job after graduation?

The job may have begun before graduation.

Municipality or joint municipal authority

State

Large company (250 or more employees)

Small or medium-sized company (fewer than 250 employees)

Own company/self-employed

Organisation, foundation, congregation or similar

University

University of applied sciences

Other

If you selected option "Other", please specify:

What was your profession, job or official title in your first job after graduation?

Which of the following best described your principal duty in your first job after graduation?

Research and/or product development

Teaching and/or education

Management and supervisory duties

Consulting

Education and training

Work with customers/patients

Marketing, sales and/or purchase

Planning, development and/or administrative duties

Communications and media

Office work

Artistic work

Legal work

Ecclesiastical work

Finances and/or financial administration

Production

Other

If you selected option "Other", please specify:

In which region was your workplace/company located in your first job after graduation?

If you work abroad, select Abroad and then type the country where you work.

Åland

South Karelia

South Ostrobothnia

South Savo Region

Kainuu Region

Kanta-Häme Region

Central Ostrobothnia

Central Finland

Kymenlaakso Region

Lapland

Tampere Region

Ostrobothnia

North Karelia

North Ostrobothnia

Pohjois-Savo Region

Päijät-Häme Region

Satakunta Region

Helsinki-Uusimaa Region

Southwest Finland

Abroad

Country, please specify:

WORK SITUATION AT THE MOMENT

INSTRUCTIONS

- If you are currently e.g. on family or study leave, answer based on your latest job.
- If you are not currently working or did not work before starting your family leave, skip the questions about your current job.
- If you are an entrepreneur, self-employed or freelancer, answer the questions as applicable.

Which of the following options best describes your situation at the moment?

Permanent full-time job

Fixed-term full-time job

Part-time job

Independent entrepreneur/self-employed/freelancer (with business ID)

Several employment relationships in parallel (working with a tax card)

Subsidised employment/practical training

Unemployed job seeker

Labour force training or similar

Full-time studies (leading to a degree or grade)

Family leave (from an employment relationship)

Family leave (no employment relationship)

Working with a grant

Outside the labour force (military service, etc.)

Other

If you selected option "Other", please specify:

What is your principal employer at the moment?

Municipality or joint municipal authority

State

Large company (250 or more employees)

Small or medium-sized company (fewer than 250 employees)

My own company/self-employed

Organisation, foundation, congregation or similar

University

University of applied sciences

Other

If you selected option "Other", please specify:

What is your profession, job or official title at the moment?

Which of the following best described/describes your principal duty at the moment?

Research and/or product development

Teaching and/or education

Management and supervisory duties

Consulting

Education and training

Work with customers/patients

Marketing, sales and/or purchase

Planning, development and/or administrative duties

Communications and media

Office work

Artistic work

Legal work

Ecclesiastical work

Finances and/or financial administration

Production

Other

If you selected option "Other", please specify:

In which region was/is your workplace/company located at the moment?

If you work abroad, select Abroad and then type the country where you work.

Åland

South Karelia

South Ostrobothnia

South Savo Region

Kainuu Region

Kanta-Häme Region

Central Ostrobothnia

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North Ostrobothnia

Pohjois-Savo Region

Päijät-Häme Region

Satakunta Region

Helsinki-Uusimaa Region

Southwest Finland

Abroad

Country, please specify:

What is your average gross salary or monthly income (including regular allowances, taxable value of fringe benefits, and overtime pay) at the moment? (euros/month)

COMPETENCES AND WORK (1/3)

Evaluate the following statements.

The skills and knowledge I learned at the university of applied sciences can be applied well in my first job after graduation.

Fully disagree

Disagree

Somewhat disagree

Somewhat agree

Agree

Fully agree

The skills and knowledge I learned at the university of applied sciences can be applied well in my current job.

Fully disagree

Disagree

Somewhat disagree

Somewhat agree

Agree

Fully agree

The requirements of my first job after graduation corresponded well with my UAS qualifications.

Fully disagree

Disagree

Somewhat disagree

Somewhat agree

Agree

Fully agree

The requirements of my current job correspond well with my UAS qualifications.

Fully disagree

Disagree

Somewhat disagree

Somewhat agree

Agree

Fully agree

COMPETENCES AND WORK (2/3)

INSTRUCTIONS

If you are not currently in working life, think of your latest job.

How important are the following knowledge and skills in your current job?

Select the most suitable options for each:

1 = not important at all

2 = only slightly important

3 = somewhat important

4 = moderately important

5 = important

6 = very important

Key field-related terms, methods and principles (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Practical knowledge and skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Information retrieval skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Problem solving skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Organisation and coordination skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Independent working and time management (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Initiative and self-direction (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Communication and negotiation skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Networking skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Acting in multicultural environment (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Multiprofessional teamwork (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Budgeting and business skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Information and communication technology skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Development skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Analytical skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Entrepreneurship skills (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Ability to learn and adopt new things (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Stress tolerance and adaptation to new situations (1 = not important at all, 6 = very important)

1 2 3 4 5 6

COMPETENCES AND WORK (3/3)

INSTRUCTIONS

If you are not currently in working life, think of your latest job.

How did your UAS studies develop these skills?

Select the most suitable options for each:

1 = not at all

2 = only a little

3 = somewhat

4 = moderately

5 = much

6 = very much

Key field-related terms, methods and principles (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Practical knowledge and skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Information retrieval skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Problem solving skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Organisation and coordination skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Independent working and time management (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Initiative and self-direction (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Communication and negotiation skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Networking skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Acting in multicultural environment (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Multiprofessional teamwork (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Budgeting and business skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Information and communication technology skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Development skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Analytical skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Entrepreneurship skills (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Ability to learn and adopt new things (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

Stress tolerance and adaptation to new situations (1 = not at all; 6 = very much)

1 2 3 4 5 6

What kind of professional and field-related competence would you encourage current students to obtain to prepare them for future working life?

What career plans do you have for the next five years?

Thank you for your response!