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Graduate Alumni Survey Report 2018-19

Domestic Students

Target Population: 250

Total Respondents: 60

Response Rate: 24.00%

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Introduction

The Graduate Alumni Survey was sent out, via email, in May 2020 to a total of 250 Framingham State University alumni that completed their graduate degree domestically in the 2018-2019 academic year. The Office of Institutional Research received 60 survey responses giving the survey a response rate of 24.00%.

Which graduate program did you complete at Framingham State University?

Table 1.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Master of Science in Nursing - Education	13.33%	8
Master of Arts - Counseling Psychology	8.33%	5
Master of Public Administration	8.33%	5
Master of Science in Nursing - Leadership	8.33%	5
Master of Education - Teaching English as a Second Language	8.33%	5
Master of Education - Art	6.67%	4
Master of Human Resources - Human Resource Management	6.67%	4
Master of Health Care Administration	6.67%	4
Master of Science - Food and Nutrition - Coordinated Program in Dietetics	5.00%	3
Master of Education - Nutrition Education - Nutrition Education Specialist	5.00%	3
Master of Education - Mathematics	5.00%	3
Master of Education - Curriculum and Instructional Technology	5.00%	3
Master of Business Administration - Management	5.00%	3
Master of Education - Special Education	3.33%	2
Master of Education - Educational Technology	1.67%	1
Master of Education - Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM)	1.67%	1
Master of Business Administration - Healthcare Management	1.67%	1
Total	100%	60

Was your program hybrid or campus based or 100% online?

Figure 1.

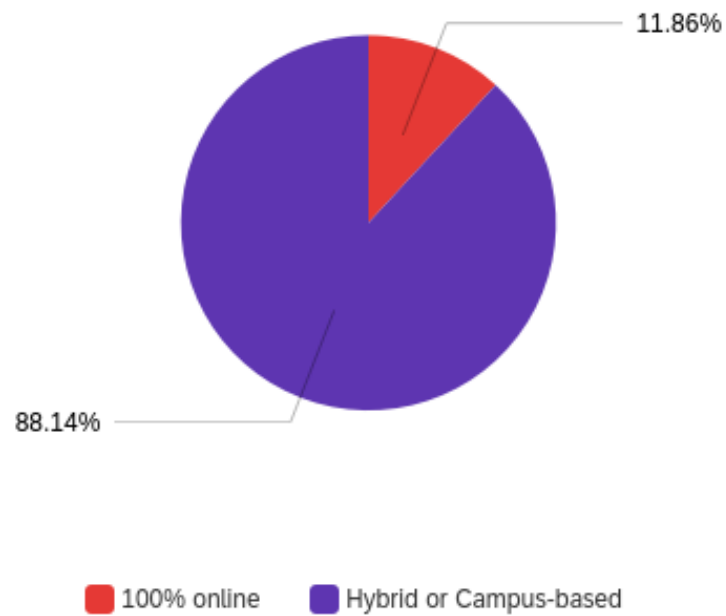


Table 2.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Hybrid or Campus-based	88.14%	52
100% online	11.86%	7
Total	100%	59

Thinking about any degree you have completed since you graduated from Framingham State, which of the following best describes you:

Figure 2.

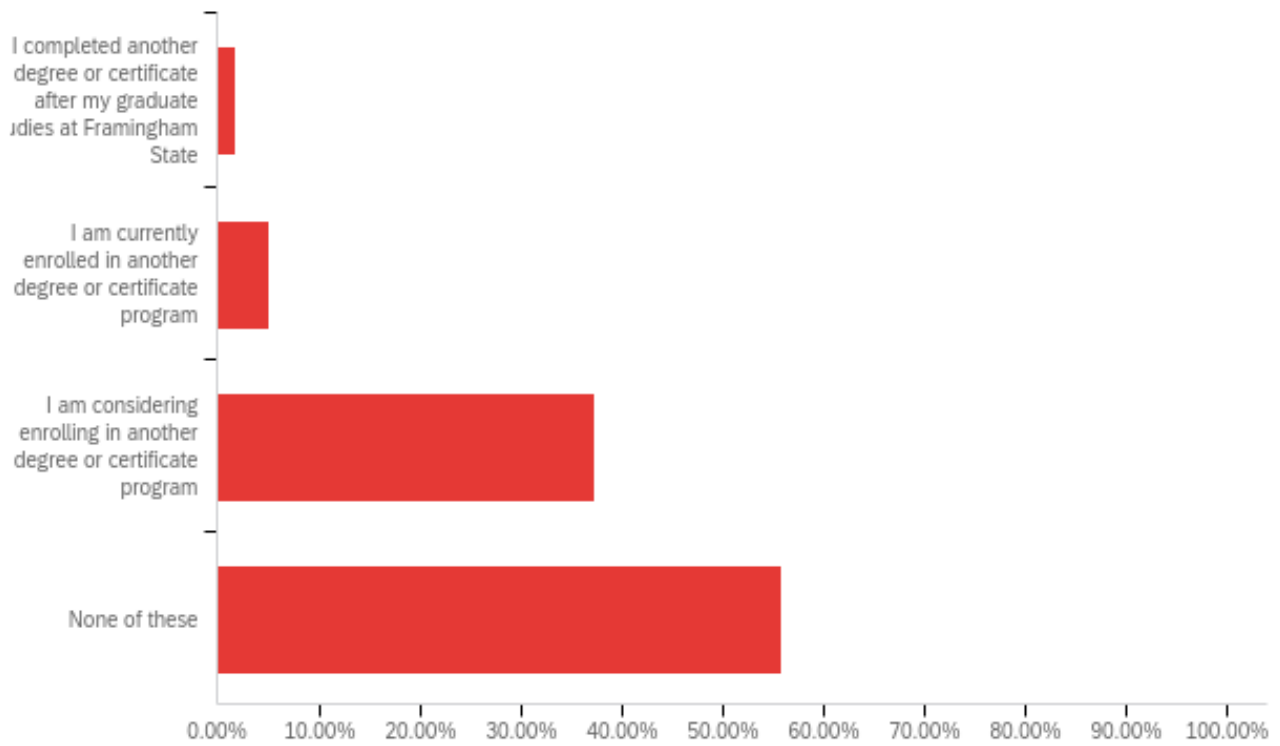


Table 3.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
None of these	55.93%	33
I am considering enrolling in another degree or certificate program	37.29%	22
I am currently enrolled in another degree or certificate program	5.08%	3
I completed another degree or certificate after my graduate studies at Framingham State	1.69%	1
Total	100%	59

If you have completed or are pursuing a degree, what type of degree is it:

Table 4.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Master's degree	50.00%	2
Certificate	50.00%	2
PhD or other doctorate	0.00%	0
Professional degree	0.00%	0
Second Bachelor's degree	0.00%	0
Other, please specify	0.00%	0
Total	100%	4

Institution you attended or are attending and program you completed or are pursuing:

Table 5.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Framingham State University	25.00%	1
Nursing Leadership		1
Healthy Children Project Center for Breastfeeding	25.00%	1
Certified Lactation Consultant		1
Lesley University	25.00%	1
Master of Fine Arts Low Residency		1
University of Oxford	25.00%	1
MSci Child Development and Education		1
Total	100.00%	4

Due to the spread of COVID-19 has your current employment been impacted? If so, what changes have occurred? Please select all that apply.

Table 6.

Answer	Percent of Cases*	Response Count
Working remotely	66.10%	39
Working similar hours	28.81%	17
Working more hours due to COVID-19	22.03%	13
Currently unemployed	3.39%	2
Company is permanently or temporarily closed	1.69%	1
Other, please specify	1.69%	1
Working reduced hours	0.00%	0
Furloughed	0.00	0
Total		59

Other, please specify
Working on projects for nursing

*Percent of Cases (Number of times the factor was selected divided by the number of respondents who answered the question)

What is your current employment status?

Table 7.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Employed, full-time, same field as degree	62.71%	37
Employed, full-time, somewhat related to degree	22.03%	13
Employed, full-time, unrelated to degree	1.69%	1
Employed, part-time, same field as degree	6.78%	4
Employed, part-time, somewhat related to degree	1.69%	1
Employed, part-time, unrelated to degree	1.69%	1
Not currently employed	3.39%	2
Total	100%	59

You stated that your employment is unrelated to your Framingham State graduate degree. Please select which of the following best describes you:

Table 8.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
I was unable to find a position related to my graduate education	50.00%	1
I have not seriously looked for a position related to my graduate education	50.00%	1
I found a more desirable position in a different field	0.00%	0
Other, please specify	0.00%	0
Total	100%	2

Who is your current employer?

Table 9.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Sudbury Public Schools	4.44%	2
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center	4.44%	2
Andover Public Schools	4.44%	2
Framingham Public Schools	4.44%	2
Weston Public Schools	2.22%	1
Quinsigamond Community College	2.22%	1
Natick Public Schools	2.22%	1
Amazon	2.22%	1
TJX	2.22%	1
BID Lahey health: Milton	2.22%	1
Metro West Medical Center	2.22%	1
Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School	2.22%	1
Public School	2.22%	1
Boston Children's Hospital	2.22%	1
SI-UK Education Council	2.22%	1
Boston Medical Center	2.22%	1
University of New England	2.22%	1
Brigham and Women's Hospital	2.22%	1
Alnylam Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	2.22%	1
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	2.22%	1
MGH	2.22%	1
Emerson Hospital	2.22%	1
Old Sturbridge Academy Charter Public School	2.22%	1

Encompass Health	2.22%	1
Quabbin Regional School District	2.22%	1
South Middlesex Opportunity Council	2.22%	1
RINCHEM COMPANY	2.22%	1
South Shore Health	2.22%	1
Atrius Healthcare	2.22%	1
Architect	2.22%	1
Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital	2.22%	1
Genedata	2.22%	1
Takeda	2.22%	1
Greater Lawrence Family Health Center	2.22%	1
UConn Health	2.22%	1
Kennesaw State University	2.22%	1
West Springfield Public Schools	2.22%	1
Lawrence Memorial/Regis College Nursing Program	2.22%	1
Worcester Public Schools	2.22%	1
Massachusetts Eye and Ear	2.22%	1
MathWorks	2.22%	1
Total	100%	45

What type of industry best describes this employer?

Table 10.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Elementary or secondary education (public or private)	33.93%	19
Private for-profit corporation / company / group practice	21.43%	12
Private non-profit organization (except education)	17.86%	10
Higher education (public or private)	10.71%	6
Other, please specify	10.71%	6
Government, institution or agency (except education or military)	5.36%	3
Self-employed in own business or professional non-group practice	0.00%	0
Military	0.00%	0
Total	100%	56

Other, please specify
Health center
hospital
Hospital system
Hospital
Technology
Rehab Outpatient Setting

In which state or country do you currently work?

Table 11.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Massachusetts	89.29%	50
Other New England State (CT, ME, NH, RI, VT)	3.57%	2
Other U.S. state or territory	5.36%	3
Outside the U.S.	1.79%	1
Total	100%	56

If you selected Massachusetts, which region of MA do you currently work in?

Table 12.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Middlesex County	46.00%	23
Worcester County	18.00%	9
Suffolk County/Boston	18.00%	9
Essex County	6.00%	3
Norfolk County	6.00%	3
Bristol, Plymouth, Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket County	4.00%	2
Western MA	2.00%	1
Total	100%	50

If you selected other New England state, which New England State do you currently work in?

Table 13.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Connecticut	50.00%	1
Maine	50.00%	1
New Hampshire	0.00%	0
Rhode Island	0.00%	0
Vermont	0.00%	0
Total	100%	2

If you selected other U.S. state or territory, which state or territory do you currently work?

Table 14.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Florida	33.33%	1
Pennsylvania	33.33%	1
Georgia	33.33%	1
Total	100%	3

If you selected outside the U.S., in which country do you currently work?

Table 15.

United Kingdom

Please use the scale below to rate how important each of the following research skills are in your current position. 1 = Not important, 3 = Important, 5 = Essential.

Table 16.

Question	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Identifying and solving problems	2.08% 1	4.17% 2	10.42% 5	20.83% 10	62.50% 30	100% 48
	6.25% 3			83.33% 40		
Locating and applying information / data	1.96% 1	3.92% 2	23.53% 12	29.41% 15	41.18% 21	100% 51
	5.88% 3			70.59% 36		
Designing and executing research	13.33% 6	22.22% 10	35.56% 16	20.00% 9	8.89% 4	100% 45
	35.55% 16			28.89% 13		
Analyzing data	2.13% 1	14.89% 7	19.15% 9	42.55% 20	21.28% 10	100% 47
	17.02% 8			61.83% 30		

Please use the scale below to rate how important each of the following skills are in your current position. 1 = Not important, 3 = Important, 5 = Essential.

Table 17.

Question	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Making clear formal presentation that fit audience interests	0.00% 0	4.44% 2	20.00% 9	22.22% 10	53.33% 24	100% 45
	4.44% 2			75.55% 34		
Grant writing	29.41% 10	32.35% 11	17.65% 6	5.88% 2	14.71% 5	100% 34
	61.76% 21			20.59% 7		
Writing reports, articles, books, etc.	17.50% 7	20.00% 8	20.00% 8	20.00% 8	22.50% 9	100% 40
	37.50% 15			42.50% 17		
Working collaboratively	2.27% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	15.91% 7	81.82% 36	100% 44
	2.27% 1			97.73% 43		
Teaching or training groups of people	2.33% 1	9.30% 4	13.95% 6	13.95% 6	60.47% 26	100% 43
	11.63% 5			74.42% 32		
Managing others in work settings	13.16% 5	5.26% 2	21.05% 8	15.79% 6	44.74% 17	100% 38
	18.42% 7			60.53% 23		
Managing budgets	25.00% 9	16.67% 6	25.00% 9	11.11% 4	22.22% 8	100% 36
	41.67% 15			33.33% 12		

While at Framingham State did you participate in any of the following? (Select all that apply)

Table 18.

Answer	Percent of Cases*	Response Count
Practicum	52.17%	24
Capstone experience	32.61%	15
Field work (within courses)	26.09%	12
Internship	21.74%	10
Thesis	10.87%	5
Work study	6.52%	3
Graduate Assistantship	2.17%	1
Total		46

*Percent of Cases (Number of times the factor was selected divided by the number of respondents who answered the question)

Please use the scale below to rate the following resources at Framingham State based on the extent to which they helped you meet your goal. 1 = Not important, 3 = Important, 5 = Essential.

Table 19.

Question	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Course work	3.92% 2	3.92% 2	17.65% 9	25.49% 13	49.02% 25	100% 51
	7.84% 4			74.51% 38		
Communication with faculty	10.00% 5	4.00% 2	24.00% 12	24.00% 12	38.00% 19	100% 50
	14.00% 7			62.00% 31		
Communication with program coordinators or advisors	17.02% 8	12.77% 6	21.28% 10	19.15% 9	29.79% 14	100% 47
	29.79% 14			48.94% 23		
Networking opportunities	15.91% 7	13.64% 6	15.91% 7	25.00% 11	29.55% 13	100% 44
	29.55% 13			54.55% 24		
Career services	34.21% 13	23.68% 9	21.05% 8	13.16% 5	7.89% 3	100% 38
	57.89% 22			21.05% 8		

Please use the scale below to rate the quality of each of the following research skills you developed in your program at Framingham State. 1 = Very poor, 3 = Acceptable, 5 = Very good.

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	8.16% 4			77.55% 38		
Locating and applying information / data	6.12% 3	4.08% 2	22.45% 11	34.69% 17	32.65% 16	100% 49
	10.20% 5			67.34% 33		
Designing and executing research	6.52% 3	15.22% 7	28.26% 13	21.74% 10	28.26% 13	100% 46
	21.74% 10			50.00% 23		
Analyzing data	6.12% 3	4.08% 2	26.53% 13	34.69% 17	28.57% 14	100% 49
	10.20% 5			63.26% 31		

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Grant writing	48.39% 15	6.45% 2	22.58% 7	16.13% 5	6.45% 2	100% 31
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	53.13% 17			21.88% 7		

Please select your current salary range:

Table 22.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Under \$24,999	3.92%	2
\$25,000 - \$49,999	9.80%	5
\$50,000 - \$74,999	47.06%	24
\$75,000 - \$99,999	17.65%	9
\$100,000 - \$149,999	21.57%	11
\$150,000 - \$199,999	0.00%	0
Over \$200,000	0.00%	0
Total	100%	51

What is your racial background?

Table 23.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
White	78.43%	40
Black/African American	7.84%	4
Hispanic	7.84%	4
Asian	5.88%	3
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0.00%	0
Cape Verdean	0.00%	0
Native Hawaiian /Other Pacific Islander	0.00%	0
Total	100%	51

To which gender identity do you most identify?

Table 24.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Female	81.13%	43
Male	16.98%	9
Prefer not to answer	1.89%	1
Non-binary/ third gender	0.00%	0
Prefer to self-describe	0.00%	0
Total	100%	53

Do you identify as transgender?

Table 25.

Answer	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	0.00%	0
No	98.11%	52
Prefer not to answer	1.89%	1
Total	100%	53

Which of the following would you be interested in as an alumnus of Framingham State? (Select all that apply)

Table 26.

Answer	Percent of Cases*	Response Count
Professional networking opportunities	76.92%	30
Receiving Graduate Alumni/ae communications	43.59%	17
Interacting socially, non-professionally, with other alumni	25.64%	10
Participating in Alumni events	20.51%	8
Returning to / Visiting campus	15.38%	6
Participating in University-wide events	12.82%	5
Total		39

*Percent of Cases (Number of times the factor was selected divided by the number of respondents who answered the question)

How would you prefer to receive information about news, events, and activities of interest to the Graduate Alumni/ae community? (Select all that apply)

Table 27.

Answer	Percent of Cases*	Response Count
Email	84.44%	38
Websites	26.67%	12
Facebook	17.78%	8
Other social media	11.11%	5
Twitter	6.67%	3
Personal contact	6.67%	3
Other	4.44%	2
Total		45

*Percent of Cases (Number of times the factor was selected divided by the number of respondents who answered the question)

Which other social media would you prefer?

Instagram
LinkedIn
LinkedIn
Instagram
Facebook