



UIC

JOURNEY TO SUCCESS CLASS OF 2017 CAREER OUTCOMES

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Overview

The success of University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) undergraduates is one of the most important outcomes of a UIC degree. UIC's Class of 2017 First Destination Survey Initiative gathered information about the career outcomes of its bachelor's degree graduates within six months of graduation. The results provided insights to what a sample of 2017 UIC graduates (December 2016 and May 2017 cohorts) were doing with their bachelor's degrees ("career outcomes") including employment, continuing education, volunteer service, and military service.

UIC's data was collected via a survey* administered to bachelor's degree students who graduated in December 2016 or May 2017 from one of the eight** undergraduate colleges and schools (Applied Health Sciences, Architecture, Design, and the Arts, Education, Engineering, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Nursing, Public Health, and Urban Planning and Public Affairs). Secondary sources (i.e., LinkedIn™ profiles) were reviewed and supplemented survey data. Based on these sources, UIC confirmed career outcomes of 1,528 graduates of the 2,989 Class of 2017 graduates, translating to a knowledge rate*** of 51%.

*Data collection was based on guidelines defined by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE).

**UIC College of Business conducts its own survey administration. The College's results are not included.

***According to NACE's 2014 First Destination Standards and Protocols, the knowledge rate is the percent of graduates for which the institution has reasonable and verifiable information concerning the graduates' post-graduation career activities.



Class of 2017 Career Outcomes Highlights

Based on the First Destination Initiative findings, UIC bachelor's degree graduates pursue varied outcomes within the 6 months following graduation including continuing education, employment, and volunteer/service program participation.

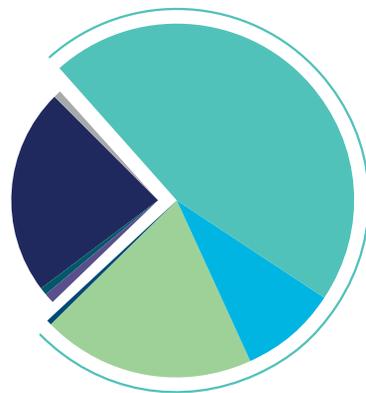
CAREER OUTCOMES

The following is a summary of the career outcomes confirmed via survey or secondary sources for 1,528 graduates within six months of graduation:

Class of 2017 Graduate Population	2,989
Graduates Who Completed Surveys	1,217 (41%)
Secondary Sources	311 (10%)
Knowledge Rate	1,528 (51%)

76%

of graduates secured employment (full- or part-time), were involved in a volunteer/service program, served in the military, or continued their education.



- 46% **Employed Full-Time**
- 19% **Continuing Education**
- 9% **Employed Part-Time**
- 1% **Volunteer/Service Program**
- 0.5% **Military Service**
- 23% **Seeking Employment/Internship**
- 0.9% **Other**
- 0.7% **Not Seeking Employment/Internship**



Class of 2017 Employment Highlights

Based on the First Destination Initiative findings, UIC graduates work in a variety of industry sectors for a variety of employers. Many of these graduates opt to stay and work in Illinois.

EMPLOYMENT SECTORS

Of surveyed graduates who indicated they were employed and what sector they were employed in (N = 428), 74% of responses fell into the following ten sectors:

Healthcare Services and Hospitals	22%
Engineering	18%
Retail	7%
Research/Development/Science	5%
Food and Beverage	4%
Other	4%
Social Services	4%
Sales	4%
Education/Teaching Pre K-12	3%
Government	3%

EMPLOYMENT IN ILLINOIS

Of the respondents who identified an employer name and location of employment, 93% are working in Illinois.



EMPLOYERS

The following is a sample of full- and part-time employers identified by survey respondents or confirmed by secondary sources.

Allstate
 Amazon.com
 Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago
 Athletico
 Avana
 Best Buy
 Chicago Police Department
 Chicago Public Schools
 ComEd
 Discover Financial Services
 Exelon
 Federal-Mogul
 FM Global
 Illinois Department of Transportation
 Milhouse Engineering & Construction
 Motorola Solutions
 Navistar
 Northrop Grumman Corporation
 NorthShore University HealthSystem
 Northwestern Memorial Hospital
 Peoples Gas
 Relativity
 Rush University Medical Center
 ScribeAmerica
 Shirley Ryan AbilityLab
 Shure Incorporated
 Siemens
 Slalom Consulting
 Superior Ambulance Service
 UI Health
 UL
 University of Illinois at Chicago
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



Class of 2017 Continuing Education Highlights

Based on graduate school enrollment data*, UIC graduates continue their education at a variety of institutions across the U.S. pursuing graduate degrees and post-baccalaureate certifications.

CONTINUING EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

The following is a sample of institutions who reported enrollments of UIC graduates to the National Student Clearinghouse.

Boston University
Case Western Reserve University
Claremont Graduate University
DePaul University
Governors State University
Illinois Institute of Technology
Loyola University
Mount Mary University
New York University
Northeastern Illinois University
Northern Illinois University
Northwestern University
Purdue University
Roosevelt University
Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science
Rush University
The Chicago School of Professional Psychology
The Ohio State University
University of California - Berkeley
University of Chicago
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Rochester
University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee

In addition to National Student Clearinghouse data, the First Destination Initiative survey also asked graduates to confirm what type of continuing education degree they were pursuing

CONTINUING EDUCATION DEGREES

The following table summarizes the continuing education degree types reported by survey respondents (N=282):

Master's	43%
Other/Professional (Medical School/Law School)	42%
Ph.D./Ed.D.	9%
Post-baccalaureate Certificate	6%

*Enrollment data reported by the National Student Clearinghouse, a national provider of transcript and enrollment information for higher education institutions.

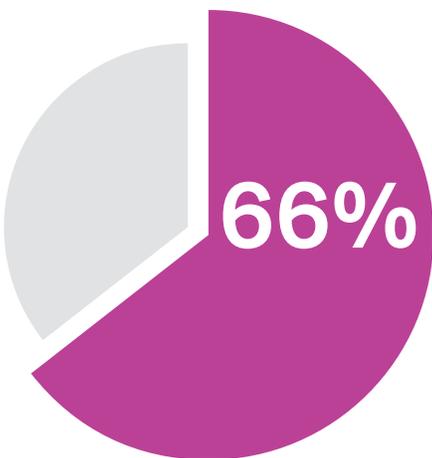


Class of 2017 Internship Highlights

UIC offers a range of programs and resources to help students obtain internships including off-campus employment, research/clinical work, and credit-based internships. UIC's strong connection with Chicago and the institution's cutting-edge research provides students with opportunities to gain valuable work experience, skills, and connections with employers.

INTERNSHIPS AND EMPLOYMENT

In the First Destination Initiative survey, graduates indicated if they completed one or more internships while attending UIC. Based on analysis of survey results, graduates that completed one or more internships were more likely to be employed full-time than those who did not complete an internship. Of survey respondents that indicated they were full-time employed and participated in an internship while attending UIC (N=387), 66% completed one or more internships.



66% of full-time employed graduates completed at least one internship while attending UIC.

INTERNSHIP EMPLOYERS

The following are a sample of internship employers reported by graduates:

- Abbott
- Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center
- Ameresco
- Argonne National Laboratory
- BorgWarner
- Caterpillar
- Chicago Public Schools
- Chicago Youth Centers
- City of Chicago (multiple offices)
- Cook County (multiple offices)
- Exelon
- Federal-Mogul
- Field Museum of Natural History
- Navistar
- Northwestern University
- PASO West Suburban Action Project
- Primera Engineers
- Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago
- Rush University Medical Center
- University of Illinois at Chicago
- UL
- University of Illinois Hospital & Health Science System
- Village Leadership Academy
- Walgreens
- YMCA/YWCA



Career Development at UIC

UIC students have the opportunity to develop career interests and skills through a range of internships, employment, and research opportunities. Throughout their time at UIC, students also are able to network with employers and obtain job and internship opportunities at UIC career events.

CAREER FAIRS

UIC hosts 15 major job and internship fairs for students and alumni throughout the academic year providing employment and internship opportunities to a broad range of majors. Across these events, more than 700 employers participate including companies, government agencies, and non-profit organizations.

- All Majors Career Fair³
- Data Analytics Career Fair¹
- Diversity Career Fair³
- Engineering Tech Career Fair²
- Internship and Part-Time Job Fair³
- Recent Alumni Job Fair³
- Technology Career Fair¹

¹ Hosted by College of Business

² Hosted by College of Engineering

³ Hosted by UIC Career Services

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

UIC is designated by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education as belonging to the top tier of universities engaging in extensive research activities. The UIC Office of Undergraduate Research (ure.uic.edu) maintains a database of more than 700 on-campus opportunities for research assistantships and apprenticeships in all disciplines allowing students to gain critical skills including critical thinking, problem solving, persuasive public speaking, and more. The Office also connects students with opportunities on- and off-campus as well as locally, nationally, and globally. UIC students can engage in research for credit, hourly wages, or a substantial stipend during the academic year and the summer. Visit undergradresearch.uic.edu for more information.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

There are a myriad of opportunities for UIC students interested in working on- and off-campus while completing their degree. Student employment not only provides students with a means of earning money, it also provides students an opportunity to develop new skills, positive work habits, and hands-on experience to help ensure their professional success. At any given time, through UIC's Student Employment Office, nearly 3,000 students work on-campus at more than 4,000 positions. Visit studentemployment.uic.edu for more information.



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