

**2012 Graduating Student Survey:  
Career Development Center Report**

**Data from IU Southeast Graduate Respondents  
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## **SURVEY PURPOSE AND REPORT STRUCTURE**

The Indiana University Southeast Graduating Student Survey is administered to students when they apply for graduation and collects data regarding post-graduation plans, employment and income, applied learning experiences, factors influencing student satisfaction with their experiences at IU Southeast, diversity and culture, campus safety and self-perceived level of abilities. This multi-year report is intended to provide information regarding how these data have changed from year to year. This information can be used to support decision-making that facilitate change in response to the dynamic needs of the student population.

This is a sub-report of the Overall Report, tailored to the Career Development Center. For the full report, please go to the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment (OIRA) webpage.

Up to three iterations of data have been tabled, when available, but some historical data is unavailable for questions that have changed in recent years as the survey has evolved. Most importantly, this was the first reporting year in which respondents to the survey who did not receive their degree in the survey year were excluded from analysis. Many of these students graduate a semester of two after their expected survey year. As such, some year-to-year comparisons are invalid. Going forward, the practice of OIRA will be to compare the list of respondents to the list of graduating students, remove those respondents who do not graduate in the survey year cycle, and add their responses to the survey year cycle in which they graduate.

In addition, individual question response rate varies, as all survey questions were voluntary and some respondents chose not to answer certain questions. We have chosen to include partial responses in the data report. Unless otherwise indicated, non-respondents are excluded in tabled data counts and percentages. Complete data tables for multiple years and across all questions and answer categories can be obtained via request to Ron Severtis in OIRA at [rseverti@ius.edu](mailto:rseverti@ius.edu).

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## DEGREES AWARDED & POST-GRADUATION PLANS

### Degrees Awarded

Almost one of every four degrees awarded in 2012 to respondents was a Graduate degree.

Table 1: Degrees Awarded

	N	%
<b>Undergraduate</b>	649	72.2%
<b>Graduate</b>	207	23.0%
<b>Certificate/Other</b>	43	4.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>899</b>	

### Post-Graduation Plans

The percentage of responding undergraduates admitted to graduate school by the time of survey administration is down slightly from 2011 and remains low overall. Only five responding undergraduates indicated acceptance into graduate school, while no respondents indicated pursuit of a DDS, MD or JD/Law degree.

Table 2: Percentage of Undergraduates Admitted to Graduate School

	2012	2011
<b>No</b>	99.2%	98.4%
<b>Yes</b>	0.8%	1.6%

Table 3: Type of Graduate Degree Sought

	2012	2011
<b>Master's</b>	40.0%	71.4%
<b>Doctorate</b>	40.0%	7.1%
<b>Other</b>	20.0%	21.4%

A more accurate indicator for the pursuit of post-graduate degrees for IU Southeast graduates may be the percentage of respondents who take graduate entrance exams. The percentage of undergraduates who have taken one or more graduate tests has grown since 2011. The Praxis II is still the most popular test at just under 50% of respondents, though the GRE is seeing some growth.

Table 4: Graduate Tests Taken as a Percentage of All Undergraduate Respondents

	2012	2011
<b>Praxis II</b>	9.1%	7.2%
<b>GRE</b>	5.9%	3.9%
<b>LSAT</b>	1.9%	1.5%
<b>MCAT</b>	0.9%	1.0%
<b>GMAT</b>	0.3%	1.1%

Table 5: Graduate Tests Taken as a Percentage of Test Takers

	2012	2011
<b>Praxis II</b>	48.1%	50.0%
<b>GRE</b>	31.3%	26.4%
<b>LSAT</b>	9.9%	10.0%
<b>MCAT</b>	4.6%	6.4%
<b>Other</b>	4.6%	2.5%
<b>GMAT</b>	1.5%	7.1%

**EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME**

**Employment**

The vast majority (99.7%) of 2012 respondents were employed while attending IU Southeast, with 54.2% working 31 or more hours per week. Almost all Graduate respondents (83.4%) worked 31 or more hours per week, compared with 38.0% of Undergraduate respondents.

*Table 6: Average Hours Worked per Week (All Respondents)*

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>31 or more</b>	54.2%	52.7%	57.9%
<b>21 to 30</b>	22.9%	23.1%	21.2%
<b>11 to 20</b>	17.3%	17.0%	15.0%
<b>1 to 10</b>	5.3%	7.2%	5.8%

*Table 7: Average Hours Worked per Week, 2012 (Graduates vs. Undergraduates)*

	<b>G</b>	<b>UG</b>
<b>31 or more</b>	93.4%	38.0%
<b>21 to 30</b>	3.5%	30.9%
<b>11 to 20</b>	1.0%	24.0%
<b>1 to 10</b>	1.5%	6.9%
<b>Did not work</b>	0.5%	0.2%

*\*G=Graduates, UG=Undergraduates*

The majority of respondents (79.3%) were employed at the time of survey administration. The percentage of respondents who were unemployed at the time of the survey has fluctuated over the last 3 years, but has dropped slightly from 2011. The vast majority of Graduate respondents (87.9%) appear satisfied with their current employment while over half of Undergraduate respondents are seeking a change or are unemployed.

*Table 8: Current Employment Status (All Respondents)*

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Yes</b>	57.2%	55.9%	67.5%
<b>Yes, but seeking employment change</b>	22.1%	20.4%	16.5%
<b>No, but seeking employment</b>	14.0%	17.2%	11.6%
<b>No, and not seeking employment</b>	6.6%	6.5%	4.4%

*Table 9: Current Employment Status (Graduates vs. Undergraduates)*

	<b>G</b>	<b>UG</b>
<b>Yes</b>	87.9%	47.5%
<b>Yes, but seeking employment change</b>	8.2%	26.6%
<b>No, but seeking employment</b>	1.9%	17.8%
<b>No, and not seeking employment</b>	1.9%	8.1%

*\*G=Graduates, UG=Undergraduates*

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Nearly 90% of respondents reported employment at the same position held while attending IU Southeast, but this number is steadily trending downward since first asked in 2010.

*Table 10: Current Position Description*

	2012	2011	2010
<b>Same position held while at IUS</b>	86.6%	88.8%	89.7%
<b>New position</b>	13.4%	11.2%	10.3%

Relatives and friends continue to be the method most often used by respondents for help in obtaining their current jobs. Though this method has declined over the past year, it is still used more than twice as often as any method except 'Other'.

*Table 11: Current Position Obtained By Method*

	2012	2011	2010
<b>Relative/Friend</b>	28.4%	34.1%	34.2%
<b>Networking</b>	13.5%	14.8%	8.3%
<b>Internet/Website</b>	12.7%	N/A	N/A
<b>Online ads</b>	N/A	17.9%	20.5%
<b>Faculty/Staff</b>	10.6%	9.5%	4.6%
<b>Internship</b>	4.1%	3.6%	5.1%
<b>IU Southeast Career Services</b>	3.9%	5.5%	13.1%
<b>Job fair</b>	1.6%	1.9%	0.3%
<b>Employment agency</b>	1.2%	2.0%	3.0%
<b>CareerLink</b>	0.7%	0.8%	0.4%
<b>Other</b>	15.2%	21.5%	15.5%

*Note that only respondents who indicated current employment were presented this question and that respondents could choose multiple answers*

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*Table 12: Current Employment Industry, Graduate Respondents*

Account Executive	1	Industrial Master Planner	1
Account Manager	1	Law Clerk	1
Accountant	1	Manager, Web Strategy	1
Adjunct Faculty	1	Membership Development Mgr	1
Administrative Assistant	1	National Account Executive	1
Analyst	1	Off-Premise Manager	1
Application Architect	1	Operations Manager	1
Assistant Corporate Counsel	1	Operations Supervisor	1
Assistant VP, Branch Manager	1	Personal Banker	1
Associate Librarian	1	Practical Living Teacher	1
Band Director	1	Probation Officer	1
Benefit Analyst	1	Process Consultant	1
Bus & Tech Teacher	1	Process Improvement Super	1
Business Analyst	1	Process Manager	2
Business Professional	2	Project Analyst	2
CEO	1	Project Manager	1
CIO	1	Project Manager Black Belt	1
Communications Specialist II	1	Realtor	1
Consultant	2	Reimbursement Analyst	1
Counselor	1	Senior Analyst	1
Customer Service Rep	1	Sr. Director of Client Services	1
Director of Marketing Ops	1	Sr. Director, New Products	1
District Sales Manager	1	Sr. Field Marketing Specialist	1
Engineer	1	Sr. Investment Analyst	1
Finance/Accounting Consultant	1	Staff Accountant	1
Financial Advisor	1	Staff Pharmacist	1
Financial Analyst	1	Strategic Consultant	1
Financial Analyst II	1	Teacher	120
Financial Center Manager	1	Technical Project Manager	1
Financial Systems Administrator	1	Technical Support Analyst	1
General Manager	1	TPC Coalition Supervisor	1
Graduate Assistant	1	Vice President	2
Heart Ball Director	1	VP, Business Services	1
HR Recruiting Specialist	1		

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*Table 13: Current Employment Industry, Undergraduate Respondents*

Accounting Assistant	1	Child Care Provider	2
Accounting Intern	5	Childcare provider	1
Accounts Payable	1	Childcare Worker/Preschool Teacher	1
Accounts Payable Clerk	1	Children's Pastor	1
Admin	1	Circulation Desk	1
Administration Assistant	1	Circulation Desk Worker	1
Administrative	1	Claims Research Specialist	1
Administrative Assistant	2	Clerk	3
Administrative Support Team	1	Client Support Analyst	1
Agent	1	Clinical Assistant	1
Air/Ocean Export Agent	1	CLS	1
Anesthesia Technician	1	CNA	1
Apartment Manager	1	Collection Clerk	1
Applications Consultant	1	Communication Specialist	1
Assembly	1	Communications Coordinator	1
Assistant	1	Community Coach	1
Assistant Analyst	1	Copy Editor	1
Assistant Manager	2	Corrections Officer	1
Assistant Site Coordinator	1	Credit & Collections Specialist	1
Associate	1	CSA	1
Auditor	1	CSR	1
Banking Center Leader	1	Customer Service	1
Banquet server	1	Customer Service Assistant	1
Barista	4	Customer service clerk/ bookkeeper	1
Bartender	4	Customer Service Rep I	1
bartender/ waitress/ cook	1	Customer Service Representative	4
Beauty Advisor	1	Customer Service Team Leader	1
Bellperson	1	Data Assistant	1
Bilingual Administrative Assistant	1	Daycare employee	1
Bookstore Manager	1	Daycare Worker	1
Bus Driver	1	Deli Associate	1
Busser	1	Deli/Bakery Associate	1
Cadet	1	Delivery Driver	1
Caregiver	1	Dental Assistant	1
Caretaker	2	Desk Assistant	1
CASE MANAGER	1	Direct Support Professional	2
Cashier	10	Director of Ministry Communication	1
Category Manager	1	Dish/Cook	1
Catering Associate	1	Distribution Loader	1
CEO	1	Document Control Clerk	1
Certified Nursing Assistant	1	Driver	1
Charge RN	1	driver/laborer	1
Chemist Intern	1	Easy Tech Associate	1
Child Care Assistant	1	ECE Instructional Assistant	1



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ER RN	1	Intelligence Officer	1
ER Tech (PRN)	1	Intern	9
Event specialist	1	Inventory Management	1
Executive Assistant	1	IT Business Analyst	1
Extended Care Teacher	1	IT Consultant	1
Farm Manager	1	IT/IS	1
Field RN	1	Lab Analyst	1
Financial Analyst	1	Lab Assistant	2
Financial Analyst Intern	1	Lab Consultant	1
Financial and Asset Manager	1	Lab Technician	2
Financial Residual Analyst	1	Labor	1
First Responder	1	Laboratory Teaching Assistant	1
Fitness Center Employee	1	Laboratory Technician	1
Fixed Assets Coordinator	1	lead caregiver	1
Floral Designer	1	Lead Chemical Operator	1
Food Clerk	1	Legal Assistant	1
Foster Parent Coordinator	1	LPN	2
Freelance Reporter/Photographer	1	Machine operator	1
Front Desk	1	Mail Processing Clerk	1
Front End Manager	1	Manager	4
Frontline Supervisor	2	Manager on Duty	1
Frozen Food Manager	1	Marketing Intern	1
FT MSA	1	marketing/sales	1
FUEL ATTENDANT	1	Math Tutor	3
Gate Attendant	1	McDonalds Crew	1
General Manager	1	meat department	1
Gopher	1	Medical Assistant	1
Graphic Designer	1	Medical Records Custodian	1
Greek Life Intern, SPC VP, Choral Asst	1	Medical Technologist II Intern	1
Guest Services	1	Member Service Associate	2
Hairstylist	2	Mental Health Worker	1
Harlines manager	1	Military Officer	1
Health Technician	1	MIS QA	1
Hospital Service Technician	1	MSR	1
Hostess	4	Musician	2
House Supervisor	1	Nanny	4
HR Specialist	1	Naturalist	1
Human Resource Administrator	1	News Reporter	1
Human Resources	1	Nurse	1
HVAC specialist	1	Nurse Aide	2
Independent Contractor	1	Nurse Aide/technician	1
Information Technology Consultant	1	nurses aid/monitor tech	1
Inside Sales	1	Nursing Assistant	5
Instructional Aid	1	Nursing Assistant Tech	1
Insurance Claims Processor	1	Office Assistant	3

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Office Coordinator	1	Referee	1
Office Manager	2	Registered Nurse	5
OMS Help Desk	1	Registrations Associate	1
On-Site Patient Representative	1	Regulated Markets Analyst	1
Operator	2	research assistant	2
optometric tech.	1	Residential Counselor	1
Order Processor	1	Respiratory Therapist	1
orderly	1	Retail Associate	1
OT/PT Therapy Assistant	1	Retail Manager	1
Oven Master- Team Member	1	Risk Advisor	1
Owner	3	RN	10
Package Handler	6	RN - Organizational Team Lead	1
Packer	2	RN - wound care	1
Painter	1	RN (Charge Nurse)	1
Paralegal	1	RN-ER	1
Paraoptometric	1	Roofer	1
Part Time Supervisor	1	Safety Officer	1
Patient Care Associate	1	Sales	2
Payroll Associate	1	Sales Associate	9
PCA	1	Sales Floor Clerk	1
PCA/US	1	Sales Leader	1
PFC--Officer Candidate	1	Salesman/Bow Tech	1
Pharmacist Intern	1	Scheduler/Receptionist	1
Pharmacy Technician	8	Secretary	1
Phlebotomist	1	Security	1
Photo Lab Specialist	1	Security officer	1
PICKER	1	Self-Employed	2
Pipe Layer	1	Senior Banker	1
Plater	1	Senior Certified Pharmacy Tech	2
Pre-K Teacher	1	Senior Game Advisor	1
Preschool Teacher	1	Server	28
Pricing Coordinator	1	Server/bartender	1
Process Manager	1	Server/Server Assistant	1
Produce assistant	1	Service Advisor	1
Production Manager	1	Set-up Assistant	1
Programmer/Analyst	1	Sheriff	1
Project Manager	2	Shift Leader	1
QA Technician	1	Shift Manager	2
Quality Control	1	Shift Supervisor	1
Quality Manager	1	Shipping and Receiving	1
R&D lab technician	1	Singer	1
Ramp Driver	1	Site Director	1
Receiving Associate	1	Sitter	2
Receptionist	2	Skills Trainer	2
Receptionist/Call Center	1	Software Engineer Co-Op	1

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Software Engineer Intern	1	teller	6
Spanish Interpreter	1	Title One Instructional Assistant	1
Specialist	1	Tour Guide	1
Sports Writer/Photographer	1	Trainer	1
Staff	1	Training Manager	1
Staff Accountant	1	Transactions & Litigation Paralegal	1
Staff Nurse	1	Truck Driver	1
staff RN	3	Tutor	1
State On Premise Sales Manager	1	Undergraduate Fellow	1
Statistical Clerk	3	Unit Clerk	1
Stock Clerk	1	Unit Secretary	2
Store Clerk	1	Unit Secretary/Nursing Assistant	1
Student Teaching	1	Unit Secretary/PCA	1
Student Trainee	1	User Support	1
Student Writing Consultant	2	Veterinary Assistant	1
substitute teacher	4	Vice President	1
supervisor	3	Waitress	1
Supervisor Assistant	1	water restoration technician	1
Support Services Aide	1	Web Programmer	1
Supported Living Associate	1	Wellness Center Attendant	1
Systems Developer	1	Wellness Staff	1
Systems Monitor	1	Work Study	1
Teacher	1	Work Study Assistant	1
Teacher's assistant	1	work study student	1
Team Lead	2	Workshop Educator	1
Team Member	1	work-study	1
Technical Writer	1	Writing Consultant	1
Teen/Family Staff	1		

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### Income

When Graduate and Undergraduate responses are combined, the largest annual gross salary category is 'Under \$25,000' and is nearly identical to the 2011 figure. However, when comparing the two groups, the differences are striking and expected. Undergraduates primarily fall in the 'Under \$25,000' category, with all other categories below 10%. For Graduates, nearly 43% of respondents fall between \$35,000 and \$44,999 per year.

*Table 14: Annual Gross Salary (All Respondents)*

	2012	2011	2010
<b>Under \$25,000</b>	47.9%	47.8%	39.5%
<b>\$25,000 to \$29,999</b>	6.7%	7.2%	8.1%
<b>\$30,000 to \$34,999</b>	8.0%	7.9%	8.7%
<b>\$35,000 to \$39,999</b>	10.6%	11.4%	12.4%
<b>\$40,000 to \$44,999</b>	8.5%	9.8%	13.2%
<b>\$45,000 to \$49,999</b>	6.1%	5.0%	4.5%
<b>\$50,000 to \$54,999</b>	--	2.5%	4.3%
<b>\$50,000 to \$59,999</b>	5.6%	--	--
<b>\$55,000 or more</b>	--	8.5%	9.3%
<b>\$60,000 to \$69,000</b>	2.2%	--	--
<b>\$70,000 to \$79,999</b>	1.9%	--	--
<b>\$80,000 or More</b>	2.4%	--	--

*Table 15: Annual Gross Salary, 2012 (Graduates vs. Undergraduates)*

	G	UG
<b>Under \$25,000</b>	3.1%	67.8%
<b>\$25,000 to \$29,999</b>	3.6%	8.1%
<b>\$30,000 to \$34,999</b>	9.9%	7.2%
<b>\$35,000 to \$39,999</b>	22.4%	5.3%
<b>\$40,000 to \$44,999</b>	20.3%	3.2%
<b>\$45,000 to \$49,999</b>	13.5%	2.8%
<b>\$50,000 to \$59,999</b>	13.0%	2.3%
<b>\$60,000 to \$69,000</b>	3.6%	1.6%
<b>\$70,000 to \$79,999</b>	4.2%	0.9%
<b>\$80,000 or More</b>	6.3%	0.7%

*\*G=Graduates, UG=Undergraduates*

### SATISFACTION: IU SOUTHEAST EXPERIENCE

Only six out of ten Graduate respondents are satisfied with the quality of information about career and job opportunities, and less than four out of ten are satisfied with opportunities for internships. However, over 90% of these respondents are working full-time and only about 10% are seeking a career change

Table 16: IU Southeast Experience Satisfaction (Graduate students)

	2012*
Quality of information about career and job opportunities	61.5%
Opportunities for internships	39.2%

*\*Note that percentages total respondents indicating 'Very Satisfied' and 'Satisfied'*

Three out of four undergraduate respondents report satisfaction with the quality of information about career and job opportunities, and more than half are satisfied with opportunities for internships. About 62% of Undergraduate respondents work 30 hours or less per week and nearly half are seeking an employment change.

Table 17: IU Southeast Experience Satisfaction (Undergraduate students)

	2012*
Quality of information about career and job opportunities	74.2%
Opportunities for internships	54.4%

*\*Note that percentages total respondents indicating 'Very Satisfied' and 'Satisfied'*