The Alaska Pacific University (APU) Post-Graduation Employment Survey (PGES) report is now in its fourth year. The survey was open for data collection from May through July, 2014. The PGES is a dynamic survey designed to gather vital data regarding employment status, degree satisfaction, financial and other data trends in order to meet continuing accreditation standards and to provide robust, descriptive data for multiple internal and external uses. As this is the third PGES Report, the database is still growing and methods are still in early stages of collection from diverse areas of the university, including University Advancement, Registrar, and academic departments with support from the Dean of Students and IT offices. The PGES Report addresses data required by the Alaska Commission on Post-Secondary Education (ACPE), and seeks to meet the continuing need for alumni feedback and progressive student services. The annual PGES will continue to become increasingly robust as data collection methods are improved and systematically implemented and is intended for internal and external audiences.
Respondents were asked to provide information regarding the degree program from which they graduated. Response rates for the 2008-2014 PGES indicate that respondents were representative of the overall student population. As the survey continues into future years, the data will allow detailed cross-degree analysis. Responses were most numerous amongst Undergraduate degree holders, with Master of Science and MBA graduates representing the second and third largest groups.
1.) APU graduates are likely to be employed in their field of study, regardless of graduation year.
2. 73% of recent graduates have Full-time employment. (Based on 2008-2014 results)
3. Greater than 73% of all respondents, from all years, are employed full-time. (Based on total response)
Financial Expectations

How would you answer the following statement:

“Considering my education and experience, I currently earn what I expect”

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The highest number of respondents (51%) from 2008-2014 are earning what they expect to earn. Some others aren’t quite sure (27%), but not dissatisfied. 21% percent of our respondents reported they earn less than they expect.
Most Respondents (39%) have an annual income of $30-60,000, with an additional 36% percent earning over $60,000 annually.

Value of the APU Degree

Education is an investment not only of money, but also of time. How valuable is the APU degree?
Despite the time, money, and hurdles in attaining a university education, recent graduates recognize and highly value their APU degree. 79% rated APU: Highly to Absolutely Valuable. The composite score of all respondents was 4.06, which equates to a rating of: Highly Valuable

Where are our graduates now?

North Star Debarr RTC  Southcentral Foundation  Healing Journey
Matanuska-Susitna Borough  Timm  Counseling
AVTEC  Abbott Laboratories  Alaska Alpine Adventures
Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission  Alyeska Pipeline Company  Denali Alaskan FCU
Clark County School District  Cape Fox Corporation  Groundwork Dallas
David Frazier & Associates Inc  CH2M HILL  GFZ German Research Centre
University of Glasgow  Cape Fox Corporation  for Geosciences
ESS Development AG  Clark County School District  Morgan State University
Shamrock Foods  Third Hand  Bunnell
Seattle University  D&D Consulting, LLC  USU Logan Utah
Aleut International Association  J. Geyer  Anchorage School District
US Government  Aleutian Pribilof Islands  Kenai Fjords Tours
GCI  Assoc. Inc  Alaska Pacific University
Hillberg Ski Area  Alaska Humanities Forum  Bethel Services, Inc.
Chugach School District  Alaska Housing Finance  Alaska Native Medical Center
IFCS  Coro  Center

Healing Journey Counseling Alaska Alpine Adventures Denali Alaskan FCU Groundwork Dallas GFZ German Research Centre for Geosciences Morgan State University Bunnell USU Logan Utah Anchorage School District Kenai Fjords Tours Alaska Pacific University Bethel Services, Inc. Alaska Native Medical Center Center Chickaloon Village Traditional Council
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CIRI
Alaska Maritime Training Ctr.
First Niagara Bank
Peace Corps
AK Dept. Health & Social Svc
DOWL HKM
Pebble Partnership
Palmer Soil and Water Conservation District
Bayshore Owners Association
Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center
Multi-Services, Inc.
Boy Scouts of America
Choices for Life of GA
Dow AgroSciences
Chugachmiut
BP Exploration Alaska
Osborn Pacific Group Inc.
Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.
Aleutian Housing Authority
Conducy
Environmental Scientist-Grawe
NeighborWorks
Anchorage Therapy By Design, LLC
Alaska USA Credit Union
Inner Active Wellness
Cook Inlet Housing Authority
Stevens Point Area YMCA
The Arc of Anchorage/Cindy
Shake Design
State of Alaska
Tundra Flowers Montessori
Tri-M Services
Alaska Business Monthly
Tetra Tech
AMLJIA

University of Idaho
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Alaska State Legislature
HDR Engineering, Inc.
NCP Design/Build Ltd.
Alcon/Lensx
Fortis College
Edward D. Jones & Co
T-Systems Austria GesmbH