

**First Destinations for the College Class of 2021:  
Findings & Analysis  
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota  
April 22, 2022**

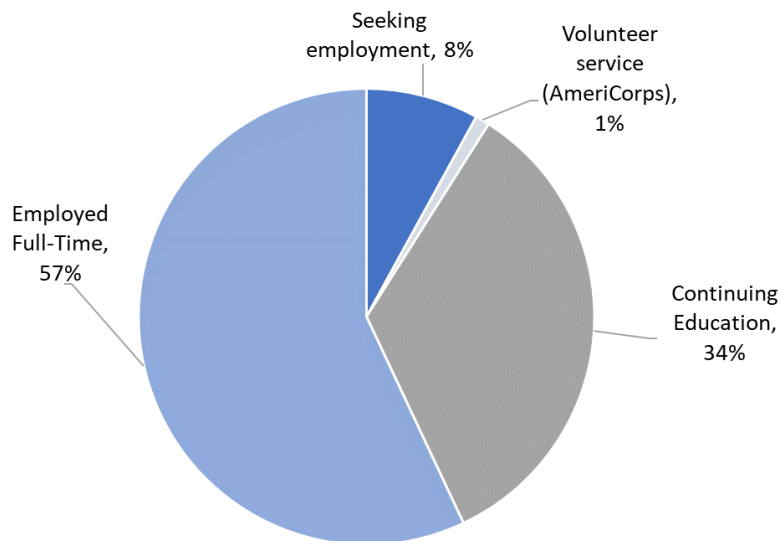
The First Destination Report for the Class of 2021 (graduating July 1, 2020 thru June 30, 2021) is compiled and published annually by the office of Career Services. This report includes information collected from Winona undergraduate students' post-graduation from Saint Mary's University of Minnesota. The data was obtained from the graduates through an online survey and e-mail follow-up between April 2021 and January 2022.

A total of 244 graduates were surveyed with 103 students responding, representing a 42% response rate.

**Bachelor's Degree Outcomes**

Of the 103 student respondents, 95 (92%) of graduates are employed full-time, attending or applying to graduate school, or participating in a long-term volunteer placement. Eight respondents (8%) were seeking employment at the time they completed the survey.

**Class of 2021 Post-Graduate Outcomes**



Overall, 35 (34%) of the survey respondents are continuing education either part-time or full-time. Twenty-seven (77%) are seeking a master's degree, 3 (9%) are seeking a professional degree (J.D., M.D., or other) and 1 (3%) are seeking a doctorate (Ph.D. / other).

One graduate (1%) indicated long-term service with AmeriCorps as their primary activity.

### Outcome Relevance to Major

92% of the respondents employed full-time reported working in a position related to their major.

### Salary

Of the 55 respondents who reported their salary:

- 55% reported earning a salary range of \$35,000 – \$50,000 annually.
- 19% earned a salary over \$50,000 annually.

The median salary range reported was \$35,001 - \$40,000.

### Satisfaction

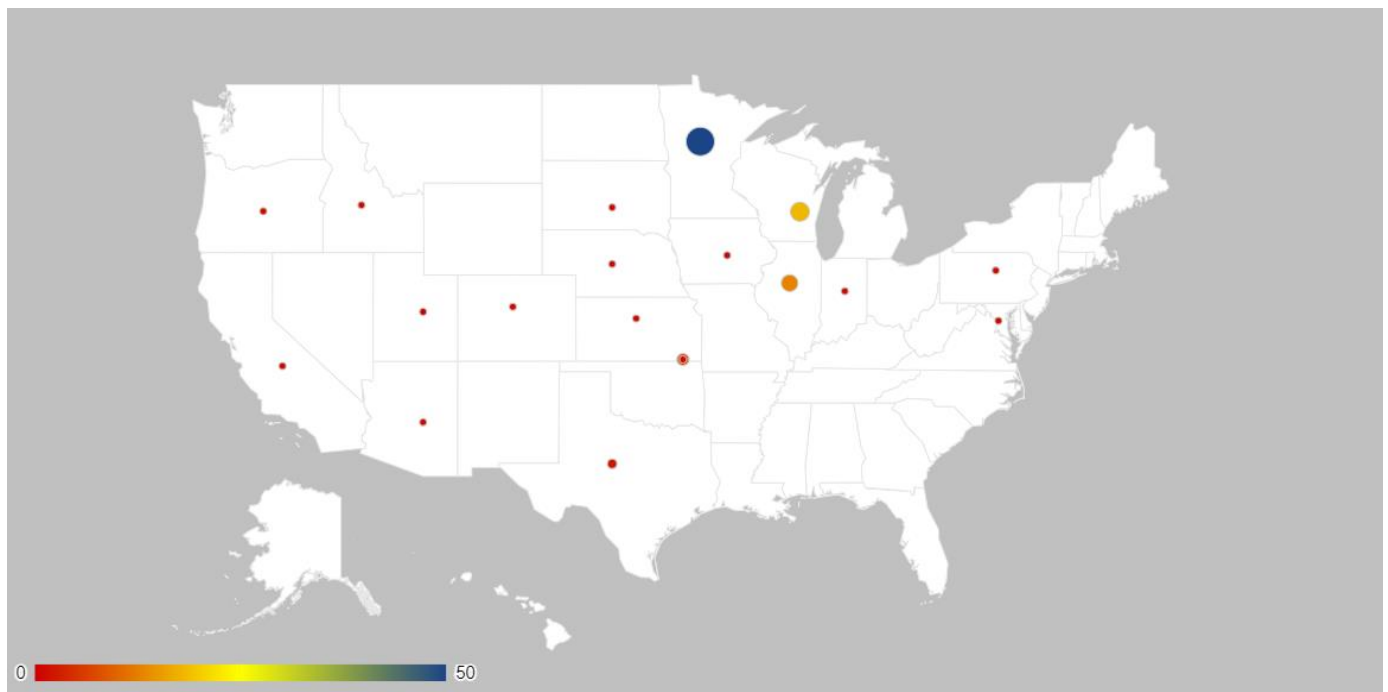
Of the 59 respondents who answered the question on job satisfaction, 55 (93%) reported being extremely satisfied or somewhat satisfied with their current position.

### Completion of Internships

Of the 46 (45%) respondents that completed an internship, 14 (30%) reported that their internship led to full-time employment at their internship site after graduation.

### Where Are They Now

The geographic distribution of the respondents shows that 50 (49%) are residing in Minnesota, 13 (13%) in Illinois, 18 (17%) in Wisconsin, and the remaining 14 (14%) are residing in 13 different states and one other country.



## **Employers**

The Class of 2021 received employment offers from many leading international, national, and regional organizations, including but not limited to: Boston Scientific, Caravel Autism Health, Catholic Charities, Dallas Mavericks, Eide Bailly LLP, Fastenal, Geospatial Services, Green Bay Packers, Hope Harbor, Martin County West Schools, Mayo Clinic, Plainview Police Department, Prevention Genetics, RADIAS Health, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, St. Jude of the Lake Schools, Shanghai Art-Designing Company, Ltd., Sherburne County Sheriff's Office, and U.S. Bank.

## **Graduate Schools**

The Class of 2021 graduates have been accepted by some of the finest graduate schools in the nation and region, including but not limited to: George Washington University School of Law, Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences, Marquette University, Minnesota State University Mankato, Rice University, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, St. Francis de Sales Seminary, Savannah College of Art & Design, University of San Diego, University of Minnesota Medical School, and Winona State University.

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