

**2016 UMass Amherst Graduating Senior Survey  
College of Information and Computer Sciences**

Graduates (Calendar Year 2016): 169

Survey Respondents: 126

Response Rate: 74.6%

**SATISFACTION WITH UMASS AMHERST AND YOUR MAJOR**

	(N)	Very Satisfied (4)	Somewhat Satisfied (3)	Somewhat Dissatisfied (2)	Very Dissatisfied (1)	Item Mean
Overall experience						
How satisfied are you with your UMass Amherst experience OVERALL?	126	61.9%	33.3%	1.6%	3.2%	3.5
Rate your satisfaction with each of the following aspects of your major:	(N)	Very Satisfied (4)	Somewhat Satisfied (3)	Somewhat Dissatisfied (2)	Very Dissatisfied (1)	Item Mean
The accessibility of faculty.	122	55.7%	36.9%	6.6%	0.8%	3.5
The quality of teaching.	123	45.5%	45.5%	7.3%	1.6%	3.3
Academic advising.	122	36.9%	41.8%	10.7%	10.7%	3.0
Access to classes.	122	28.7%	37.7%	26.2%	7.4%	2.9
Faculty concern for your academic progress.	122	40.2%	44.3%	11.5%	4.1%	3.2
Writing preparation.	123	43.1%	43.1%	8.9%	4.9%	3.2
Connections to the rest of your academics.	123	42.3%	47.2%	8.9%	1.6%	3.3
Career preparation and guidance.	122	48.4%	36.1%	11.5%	4.1%	3.3
Your overall experience.	123	56.1%	38.2%	2.4%	3.3%	3.5

**EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES**

Indicate whether or not you participated in each of the following while enrolled at UMass Amherst:

	(N)	Yes	No
Study abroad.	125	8.0%	92.0%
Community service or volunteer work.	125	29.6%	70.4%
Practicum, internship, field or coop experience, clinical assignment.	126	66.7%	33.3%
Research with faculty outside of course/program requirements.	125	31.2%	68.8%
Culminating senior experience.	125	20.8%	79.2%

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**

To what extent did your experience at UMass Amherst contribute to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas:

	(N)	Very Much (4)	Quite a Bit (3)	Some (2)	Very Little (1)	Item Mean
Knowledge specific to your major.	112	73.2%	21.4%	3.6%	1.8%	3.7
Relating to people different from you.	112	39.3%	29.5%	20.5%	10.7%	3.0
Understanding your own strengths/weaknesses.	112	50.9%	39.3%	4.5%	5.4%	3.4
Learning effectively on your own.	112	62.5%	25.9%	7.1%	4.5%	3.5
Writing clearly and effectively.	111	23.4%	33.3%	30.6%	12.6%	2.7
Speaking clearly and effectively.	111	24.3%	35.1%	27.9%	12.6%	2.7
Thinking critically and analytically.	111	61.3%	27.9%	8.1%	2.7%	3.5
Solving complex problems.	112	70.5%	19.6%	7.1%	2.7%	3.6
Being an engaged member of society.	112	25.9%	32.1%	25.9%	16.1%	2.7
Analyzing numerical and statistical information.	111	62.2%	26.1%	8.1%	3.6%	3.5
Working effectively with others.	112	43.8%	34.8%	15.2%	6.3%	3.2
Ethical decision making.	111	31.5%	33.3%	20.7%	14.4%	2.8

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**POST-GRADUATION: EMPLOYMENT STATUS\*\***

Employment status	(N)	Accepted a full-time, paid job	Accepted a part-time, paid job	Seeking a full-time, paid job	Seeking a part-time, paid job	Will NOT be seeking paid employment	Other
Which of the following best describe(s) your employment status post-graduation?	104	56.7%	3.8%	27.9%	2.9%	3.8%	4.8%
Annual salary	(N)	Less than \$30,000	\$30,000 to \$39,000	\$40,000 to \$49,000	\$50,000 to \$59,000	\$60,000 or more	
If you have accepted a paid job, what is your approximate annual salary?	58	6.9%	5.2%	1.7%	3.4%	82.8%	
Location	(N)	Massachusetts	CT, RI, VT, ME, or NH	NY or NJ	Other U.S. location	Outside the U.S.	
If you have accepted a paid job, what is the location of your job?	62	71.0%	11.3%	3.2%	14.5%	0.0%	

**POST-GRADUATION: PLANS FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL\*\***

Plans for graduate school	(N)	Will be enrolled next year full-time	Will be enrolled next year part-time	Plan to enroll in the next 2 years	No immediate plans to enroll		
Which best describes your plans for graduate school post-graduation?	105	13.3%	1.0%	17.1%	68.6%		
Graduate degree	(N)	MBA	Other Masters degree	Law degree	Medical or veterinary degree	Doctoral degree	Other
If you will attend graduate school this fall, what graduate degree will you be seeking?	12	0.0%	91.7%	0.0%	0.0%	8.3%	0.0%

\*\*The 2016 survey was administered to seniors attending the Undergraduate Commencement Fair on April 27th and to seniors picking up their caps and gowns in the Campus Center the first week in May. A small number of seniors completed the survey online from July 25th - August 22nd.