

# Mason Career Plans Survey

## Summer and Fall 2010, Spring 2011

*This instrument is for informational purposes only. If you are eligible to take the Career Plans Survey you will be notified electronically. For more information, contact [assessment@gmu.edu](mailto:assessment@gmu.edu).*

Congratulations on your graduation! Information on your post-graduation plans enhances the value of your Mason degree and is extremely helpful in advising current and future Mason students. Please take a few moments (3 – 5 minutes) to complete this survey.

**Privacy Statement:** The career patterns of Mason graduates will be reported to help students and faculty learn about career and graduate/professional school opportunities. No reports will identify any individual student/alumnus. However, your contact information, job title, and employer name and address will be sent to the Office of Alumni Affairs to update their database. Your data may also be shared with your college/department for internal analyses. Your survey answers and academic program information will be reported in the aggregate (no personally identifiable information) and will be released at the university's discretion.

1. Employment Status: Which of the following statements is most applicable to your **current** employment status? (Select one)

- I am currently employed or have accepted a position related to my academic major or career goals. **(Go to question 1.1)**
- I am currently employed or have accepted a position **NOT** related to my academic major or career goals. **(Go to question 1.1)**
- I am **NOT** currently employed. **(Go to question 2)**

*Answer questions 1.1 through 1.2 (unless otherwise noted) if answer to question 1 was "I am currently employed or have accepted a position related to my academic major or career goals" or "I am currently employed or have accepted a position **NOT** related to my academic major or career goals."*

1.1 Please answer the following questions regarding **the position you will be in after graduation** (including self-employment):

Position title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City)

1.2 In which country is your position?

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer question 1.3 if response to question 1.2 was "United States."

1.3 In which state is your position?

State: \_\_\_\_\_

1.4. Is your position:

- Full-time
- Full-time

1.5 Salary: This information is strictly confidential and no individual salary range will be identified. Please select the salary range for your position.

- Below \$30,000
- \$30,001 - \$40,000
- \$40,001 - \$50,000
- \$50,001 - \$60,000
- \$60,001 - \$70,000
- \$70,001 - \$80,000
- \$80,001 - \$90,000
- \$90,001 - \$100,000
- \$100,001 - \$125,000
- \$125,001 - \$150,000
- Above \$150,000
- I prefer not to respond

1.6 Bonuses: If you have received a signing bonus for this position, please indicate the amount:

- Below \$3,000
- \$3,001 - \$5,000
- \$5,001 - \$10,000
- Over \$10,001
- I did not receive a signing bonus
- I prefer not to respond

1.7 Which PRIMARY resources or strategies did you use to gain the position you identified in this survey? (Please select no more than two)

- HireMason listing
- Mason Job/Internship FAIRS
- On-Campus Interview Program
- Internship/Co-op/part-time job LED to full-time job
- Networking with friends, family, professors, colleagues, classmates, Mason alumni
- Job ad distributed by my academic department
- Job listing website or internet sources (e.g., Monster, Career Builder, Craigslist)
- Newspaper ad
- Company, organization, or government agency website
- Previously held a full-time job with the same company, organization, or government agency
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Are you currently seeking employment? (Please respond even if you are currently employed)

- Yes, I am currently seeking employment. **(Go to question 3)**
- No, I plan to continue to work in my current position. **(Go to question 4)**
- No, I have accepted a new position. **(Go to question 4)**
- No, I am starting a new business. **(Go to question 4)**
- No, I am continuing my education. **(Go to question 4)**
- No, I am postponing my job search. **(Go to question 4)**
- No, I am not seeking employment for other reasons. **(Go to question 4)**

*Answer question 3 if answer to question 2 was "Yes, I am currently seeking employment."*

3. What resources or strategies are you using in your job search? (Check all that apply)

- HireMason listing
- Mason Job/Internship FAIRS
- On-Campus Interview Program
- Internship/Co-op/part-time job experience
- Networking with friends, family, professors, colleagues, classmates, Mason alumni
- Job ad distributed by my academic department
- Job listing website or internet sources (e.g., Monster, Career Builder, Craigslist)
- Newspaper ad
- Company, organization, or government agency website
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

4. **While at Mason**, in which did you participate? (Check all that apply)

- Internship/practicum/field experience/or field studies
- Cooperative education (Co-op)
- Study abroad
- Part-time job related to my field of study
- Full-time job related to my field of study
- Did not have any of the above experiences

5. Other than the degree(s) you are completing, will you pursue (additional) graduate/professional education?

- Yes, I have been accepted or I am continuing as a degree-seeking student. **(Go to question 5.1)**
- Yes, I have been accepted in a certificate program. **(Go to question 5.1)**
- Yes, I have been accepted as a non-degree student. **(Go to question 5.1)**
- Possibly, I am exploring or applying to a graduate or professional school program. **(Go to question 6)**
- No, I don't plan to pursue additional graduate/professional education at this time. **(Go to question 6)**

Answer questions 5.1 through 5.4 if answer to question 5 was "Yes, I have been accepted or I am continuing as a degree-seeking student," Yes, I have been accepted in a certificate program," Yes, I have been accepted as a non-degree student."

5.1 Which school are you attending/most likely to attend for further education?

- George Mason University
- Other (please spell out full name): \_\_\_\_\_

5.2 In which field are you most likely to study? (Select one)

- Arts
- Business
- Dentistry
- Education
- Engineering
- Humanities
- Information Technology
- Law
- Medicine/Health
- Sciences
- Social Sciences
- Theology
- Veterinary Medicine
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

5.3 Please provide the name of the program/discipline:

\_\_\_\_\_

5.4 Which degree type will you pursue?

- A professional certificate
- Master's degree
- Doctoral degree
- Law degree
- Medical degree
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

6. Contact information after graduation – Please provide the following information:

Preferred e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Address 2: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

7. In which country will you be living after graduation?

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

*Answer question 7.1 if response to question 7 was "United States."*

7.1 In which state will you be living?

State: \_\_\_\_\_

8. What comments or recommendations would you like to make to the Career Services professionals at Mason? (If you do not have comments or recommendations at this time, please skip to the next question.)

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9. Thank you for providing your feedback. If you would like to be entered into a drawing for a chance to win one flip video camera, please provide the following information: (Entry is optional; please leave boxes blank if you do not wish to be entered into the drawing.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

