

# Mason Career Plans Survey

## Summer and Fall 2013, Spring 2014

*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. Which of the following BEST describes your PRIMARY post-graduation status? (Select one)

- Full-time employment (35+ hours/week continuous basis) **(Go to question 1.1)**
- Part-time employment **(Go to question 1.1)**
- Seeking employment **(Go to question 4)**
- Graduate or professional school, full-time **(Go to question 3)**
- Graduate or professional school, part-time **(Go to question 3)**
- Military service **(Go to question 3)**
- Volunteer work **(Go to question 3)**
- Not seeking employment **(Go to question 4)**

*Answer questions 1.1 through 1.6 if answer to question 1 was "Full-time employment" or "Part-time employment."*

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 Please select the industry that best characterizes your **company**: (select one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture and Forestry                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Services                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts, Media, and Entertainment                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality and Tourism                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction   | <input type="checkbox"/> Law and Criminal Justice                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consulting   | <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education  | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing, Public Relations, and Advertising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy, Petroleum, and Utilities                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering and Architectural Services                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Services                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Retail and Consumer Products                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports and Recreation                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care, including Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology                                   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation                               |

1.5 Salary: Salary is defined as your base plus any guaranteed first year bonus. This information is strictly confidential and no individual salary range will be identified. Please select the salary range for your position.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Unpaid/stipend      | <input type="checkbox"/> \$70,001 - \$80,000     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commission only     | <input type="checkbox"/> \$80,001 - \$90,000     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Below \$30,000      | <input type="checkbox"/> \$90,001 - \$100,000    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30,001 - \$40,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,001 - \$125,000   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$40,001 - \$50,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$125,001 - \$150,000   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 - \$60,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Above \$150,000         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$60,001 - \$70,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> I prefer not to respond |

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Below \$3,000      | <input type="checkbox"/> Over \$10,000                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$3,001 - \$5,000  | <input type="checkbox"/> I did not receive a signing bonus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,001 - \$10,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> I prefer not to respond           |

2. Are you graduating from the School of Management?

- Yes (**Go to question 2.1**)  
 No (**Go to question 3**)

Answer questions 2.1 through 2.3 if answer to question 2 was "Yes."

*School of Management students, the next three questions are specifically for ranking/reporting purposes to U.S. News & World Report. Please answer fully.*

2.1 Is your position a:

- Full-time permanent position
- Full-time temporary position
- Internship (part time, career related)
- Internship (full time, career related)
- Part-time position (career related)
- Part-time position (not career related)
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

2.2 Please indicate your job function:

- Consulting (strategic planning, management, etc.)
- Finance/Accounting (auditing, corporate finance, investments, public finance, treasury, etc.)
- General Management
- Human Resources
- Marketing/Sales (public relations, product management, market research, advertising, etc.)
- Management Information Systems
- Operations/Logistics
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

2.3 Are you currently seeking employment?

- Yes, I am currently seeking employment
- No, I plan to continue to work in my current position
- No, I have accepted a new position with my current employer
- No, I have accepted a new position with a new employer
- No, I am starting a new business
- No, I am continuing my education
- No, I am postponing my job search
- No, I am not seeking employment for other reasons

3. Will you be enrolled in a graduate or professional program while working/serving?

- Yes **(Go to question 3.1)**
- No **(Go to question 4)**

*Answer questions 3.1 through 3.3 if answer to question 3 was "Yes."*

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

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

3.2 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): \_\_\_\_\_

3.3 Which degree type will you pursue?

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

4. Which resources or services did you use while at Mason? (Check all that apply)

- HireMason listings
- Mason Career FAIRS
- On-campus Interview Program
- Career counseling/advising appointments
- Career workshops and events
- Career course(s)
- Networking with alumni
- Networking with faculty and/or staff
- Networking with personal contacts (e.g., friends, family)
- Job postings distributed by my academic department
- Industry-specific or non-Mason related job boards
- Company, organization, or government agency websites
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

5. While a student at Mason, in which did you participate? (Check all that apply)

- Internship/practicum/field experience/or field studies
- Cooperative education (Co-op)
- Study abroad
- On-campus job
- Part-time job related to my career goals
- Full-time job related to my career goals
- Research position
- Leadership position in student organization
- Did not have any of the above experiences

6. Contact information after graduation:

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. Thank you for providing your feedback. If you would like to be entered into a drawing for a chance to win an **iPad 2**, please provide the following information: (Entry is optional; please leave the following fields blank if you do not wish to be entered into the drawing)

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

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

