Survey of Masters Degree Alumni Spring 2023

MA English Alumni



Southeastern Louisiana University

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MA English

Satisfaction with Degree Program

Number of Respondents: 11								
	Very Dissatisfied - 1	2	3	4	Very Satisfied - 5			
Ability to read and listen carefully to ideas and information, to understand those ideas, and to convey them to other people using both language and modes (written, oral, digital) appropriate to the intended audience								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	9.1% (1)	27.3% (3)	63.6% (7)			
Ability to define and to respond to problems, challenges, and opportunities by employing logical, informed, and creative solutions								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	27.3% (3)	9.1% (1)	63.6% (7)			
Ability to balance personal and professional challenges, to respond to changing realities, and to persevere through difficulty and unexpected situations								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	36.4% (4)	18.2% (2)	45.5% (5)			
Ability to work respectfully and productively with people from diverse backgrounds, identities, and perspectives								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	9.1% (1)	9.1% (1)	81.8% (9)			
Ability to learn, to actively pursue knowledge, and to continuously self-evaluate in current circumstances								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	9.1% (1)	9.1% (1)	81.8% (9)			
Ability to develop perspectives and understanding of the human experience								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	9.1% (1)	0.0%	90.9% (10)			
Ability to communicate effectively in writing								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	9.1% (1)	90.9% (10)			
Ability to work as a team member								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	18.2% (2)	27.3% (3)	54.5% (6)			
Ability to work as a team leader								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	36.4% (4)	9.1% (1)	54.5% (6)			
Ability to accept responsibility								
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	18.2% (2)	9.1% (1)	72.7% (8)			

Satisfaction with Degree Program									
Number of Respondents: 11									
	Very Dissatisfied - 1	2	3	4	Very Satisfied - 5				
Ability to engage with people from different local and global cultures									
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	27.3% (3)	27.3% (3)	45.5% (5)				
Ability to understand and demonstrate effective work habits and act in the interest of the larger community and workplace									
MA English	0.0%	0.0%	18.2% (2)	9.1% (1)	72.7% (8)				
Satisfaction with Degree Program									
		No		Yes					
2. Would you recommend Southeastern to someone interested in what you majored in?									
MA English	9.:	9.1% (1)		90.9% (10)					

Graduate Professional Education

One (9.1%) of the respondents has completed a second Masters degree, one (9.1%) has taken classes but not enrolled in a degree program, three (27.3%) plan on enrolling in a doctoral degree program in the future, and six (54.5%) have no plans for further education. Of the respondents with graduate experience, one (50.0%) felt that Southeastern "Very Effectively" prepared them for further graduate/professional and one (50.0%) indicated they were "Effectively" prepared. The respondent who has earned a degree or indicated the degree was "Very Closely Related" to their Master's degree.

Employment

All (100.0%) of the respondents are currently employed. Most alumni (72.7%, n=8) are employed in the state of Louisiana, while three (27.3%) are employed outside the state. Six (54.5%) are employed in higher education, two (18.2%) in industry, two (18.2%) in a professional firm, and one (9.1%) in K-12 education. Eight (72.7%) respondents indicated their education was "Very Effective" in preparing them for employment or improving their job performance, two (18.2%) indicated it was "Effective", and one (9.1%) indicated it was "Very Ineffective". Seven (63.6%) of the respondents are employed in the area of their Southeastern master's degree, two (18.2%) in a related area, and two (18.2%) in an unrelated area. One (9.1%) respondents indicated a salary range of \$20,001-\$30,000, five (45.5%) indicated \$30,001-\$40,000, one (9.1%) indicate \$40,001-\$50,000, three (27.3%) indicate \$50,001-\$60,000, and one (9.1%) \$60,001-\$70,000

Overall Satisfaction with Southeastern

In general, respondents were satisfied with Southeastern. Sixty-four percent (63.6%, n=7) had a Very Positive general attitude toward Southeastern, and an additional 18.2% (n=2) had a Positive general attitude toward Southeastern. One (9.1%) had a Neutral attitude and one (9.1%) had a Negative attitude. When asked if they would recommend Southeastern to a friend or family member considering graduate education, 63.6% (n=7) said they would with no reservations, 27.3% (n=3) indicated they would with some reservations, and 9.1% (n=1) indicated they probably would not.

The majority (72.7%, n=8) of the respondents indicated that if they were to do it again, they would elect to attend Southeastern for their Master's degree and three (27.3%) were not sure if they would. Respondents were also asked if their college education had improved the quality of their life, regardless of the financial benefits. The majority (90.9%, n=11) of the respondents indicated that the quality of their life had improved.