

Survey of Graduate Degree Alumni Spring 2016

MA Health & Kinesiology Alumni



Southeastern Louisiana University

Institutional Research

MA Health & Kinesiology

Satisfaction with Degree Program

Number of Respondents: 4					
	Very Dissatisfied - 1	2	3	4	Very Satisfied - 5
Overall quality of your department					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0% (4)	60.0% (6)
Overall quality of your degree program					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0% (4)	60.0% (6)
Clarity of the degree requirements as outlined in the catalogue and/or curriculum sheets					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	70.0% (7)
Usefulness of the academic advice you received from your advisor					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	10.0% (1)	50.0% (5)	40.0% (4)
Opportunities to interact with faculty outside of class					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	20.0% (2)	30.0% (3)	50.0% (5)
Effectiveness of the faculty as teachers					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0% (4)	60.0% (6)
Friendliness and helpfulness of the office staff					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	70.0% (7)
Interest shown by faculty in your academic development					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	70.0% (7)
Effectiveness of beginning courses in preparing you for advanced courses					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0% (4)	60.0% (6)
Quality of instruction in advanced courses					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0% (5)	50.0% (5)
Faculty treatment of students both inside and outside of the classroom					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	70.0% (7)
Professional activities, associations, or clubs associated with your major					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	10.0% (1)	20.0% (2)	30.0% (3)	30.0% (3)
Opportunity for meaningful interaction with faculty in research or other scholarly activity					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	20.0% (2)	30.0% (3)	50.0% (5)
Availability of the required courses in your major					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0% (4)	60.0% (6)
Availability of elective courses you wanted to take in your major					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	10.0% (1)	0.0%	30.0% (3)	60.0% (6)
Quality of instruction regarding standards and ethics in your major field					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	70.0% (7)
Satisfaction with Degree Program					
Number of Respondents: 4					

	Very Dissatisfied - 1	2	3	4	Very Satisfied - 5
Opportunities for you to collaborate with other students on class projects					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	70.0% (7)
Library resources related to your major					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	20.0% (2)	50.0% (5)
Use of appropriate technology in the classroom					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	10.0% (1)	50.0% (5)	40.0% (4)
Facilities and equipment (including computer resources) for courses in your major					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	10.0% (1)	60.0% (6)
Help you received from faculty in your department with regard to further educational opportunities					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	10.0% (1)	0.0%	50.0% (5)	40.0% (4)
The size of classes in your major					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	20.0% (2)	80.0% (8)
Help you received from faculty in your department with regard to finding employment in your field					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	20.0% (2)	20.0% (2)	30.0% (3)	30.0% (3)
The global perspectives of courses					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	10.0% (1)	50.0% (5)	40.0% (4)
The relevancy of courses					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	10.0% (1)	30.0% (3)	60.0% (6)
"Real-world" experiences, exposure, examples, etc. in or out of the classroom					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	10.0% (1)	40.0% (4)	50.0% (5)
Your advisor's knowledge of requirements					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0% (3)	70.0% (7)
The accessibility of your advisor					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	20.0% (2)	80.0% (8)
Your advisor's concern with your academic goals					
MA Health & Kinesiology	0.0%	0.0%	10.0% (1)	20.0% (2)	70.0% (7)

Satisfaction with Degree Program		
	No	Yes
2. Would you recommend Southeastern to someone interested in what you majored in?		
MA Health & Kinesiology	20.0% (2)	80.0% (8)
3. If you had it to do over again, would you choose the same major?		
MA Health & Kinesiology	20.0% (2)	80.0% (8)
4. Did you participate in an internship, a practicum, a clinical experience, or student teaching as part of your degree requirements?		
MA Health & Kinesiology	50.0% (5)	50.0% (5)
6. Should a hands-on course be required in your program?		
MA Health & Kinesiology	10.0% (1)	90.0% (9)

When asked what benefits they received from hands-on experience, respondents had the following to say:

- First hand experience in performing real research.
- The opportunity to see what I will face in the real world.
- Sharing experiences and getting to assess my skills visa viz the skills I acquired
- I experienced the real work application of the concept. Gained confidence that I could actually do this.

Graduate Professional Education

One (10.0%) of the respondents has completed a second Master's degree and two (20.0%) of the respondents are currently enrolled degree program (a second Master's and a Doctoral). Four (40.0%) plan to enroll in the future, and three (30.0%) have no plans for further education. Of those with plans for further education, four (57.1%) plan on obtaining a doctorate and one (14.3%) a second Master's degree. Of those with further graduate school experience, two (66.7%) felt that Southeastern "Effectively" prepared them for further graduate/professional study. One (33.3%) felt she/he was prepared "Better than Most" other students and two (66.7%) felt they were prepared "About the Same as Most" other students. One (33.3%) indicated his/her degree program is "Very Closely Related" to her/his Master's degree from Southeastern, and two (66.7%) indicated it is "Not at all Related".

Employment

Three (30.0%) of the respondents have not been employed full-time since graduating from Southeastern, while seven (70.0%) have been employed full-time. Of those who have been employed full-time, three (42.9%) had a job before graduating, four (57.1%) took 1-6 months to find a job.

The six respondents who did not have a job upon graduation faced a variety of problems in obtaining employment. Table 2 presents what were considered major problems, minor problems, or no problem.

Table 2			
Please indicate whether each of the following was a major problem, minor problem, or not a problem in obtaining employment after graduating from Southeastern with your Bachelors.			
	Major Problem	Minor Problem	Not A Problem
Limited to only one geographic area	25.0% (1)	25.0% (1)	50.0% (2)
Not knowing what I wanted to do	0.0%	25.0% (1)	75.0% (3)
Tight job market	25.0% (1)	25.0% (1)	50.0% (2)
Lack of marketable skills	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% (4)
Lack of educational qualifications	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% (4)
Reputation of Southeastern	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% (4)
Lack of experience	0.0%	25.0% (1)	75.0% (3)
Lack of job search skills	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% (4)
Poor GPA	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% (4)
Racial discrimination	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% (4)
Gender discrimination	0.0%	0.0%	100.0% (4)
Age discrimination	25.0% (1)	0.0%	75.0% (3)

Three (42.9%) of those who have been employed full-time indicated their education was “Very Effective” in preparing them for employment or improving their job performance, three (42.9%) indicated it was “Effective”, and one (14.3%) indicated it was “Ineffective”. In regards to sources for learning about their first full-time job, three (42.9%) already had the job and one (14.3%) from an employment agency.

Seven (70.0%) are currently employed full-time, two (20.0%) are employed part-time and looking for full-time employment, one (10.0%) has a graduate assistantship, and one (10.0%) is employed part-time and satisfied with it. Of those who are currently employed full-time, four (57.1%) are employed in the state of Louisiana. One (14.3%) is employed in a professional firm, one (14.3%) in a nonprofit organization, one (14.3%) in higher education, one (14.3%) in business, one (14.3%) in K-12, and two (28.6%) in a health agency. When asked “If underemployment is defined as a condition in which your job requires lower levels of skill and training than those you acquired in college would you say that you are currently underemployed”, two (28.6%) of the respondents indicated they are underemployed. Three (42.9%) of the respondents are well satisfied with their employment and would not consider leaving, and four (57.1%) are satisfied with their employment but would consider other employment. All (100.0%) of the respondents are employed in an the area of their Southeastern major or a related area. Two (28.6%) respondents indicated a salary range of \$30,001-\$40,000, three (42.9%) \$40,001-\$50,000 and two (28.6%) indicated a salary over \$50,000.

Professional Activities

Seven (70.0%) of the respondents indicated they currently hold a license, including:

- ASQ-CCSGB, CPHQ
- Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) - 3
- Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist ((CSCS) Certified Personal Trainer
- Certified athletic trainer

All of the three without licensure plan on obtaining the following certificates within the next twelve months:

- health coach
- Teaching certification
- CHES

Six (60.0%) of the respondents are members of a professional organization, and five (50.0%) have attended a professional meeting in the past year.