

Grand Rapids Community College
Survey of 2018-2019 Alumni

During 2018-2019, 869 career-related (occupational) students received degrees and/or certificates from Grand Rapids Community College. The purpose of the survey of career-related alumni is to determine how well our occupational students do, either in finding employment in an occupation related or unrelated to their program of study, within one year after attending GRCC. The data collected from this survey is a requirement of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education (Perkins IV) Act of 2006. The total number of career-related alumni to receive surveys was 869.

In December 2019, we sent an online survey to 798 students with email addresses who had graduated from GRCC. Of these 789 surveys were actually delivered which yielded 177 responses after three email. We used U.S. mail to send paper questionnaires to the students we weren't able to email, and 11 of those responded by mail. The total response rate was $188/869 = 22\%$.

1. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? (check only one)

	N	%
Employed in a job NOT related to the program taken at GRCC	38	20%
Employed in a job related to the program taken at GRCC	134	71%
Unemployed, actively seeking work	9	4%
Unemployed, not actively seeking work	7	4%

2. Are you pursuing further education (university, advanced training, etc.)?

	N	%
Yes	101	54%
No	87	46%

3. Did the education you received in your GRCC program help you to obtain your current job?

	N	%
Yes	125	67%
No	51	27%
Not Employed	12	6%