Grand Rapids Community College
Survey of 2015-2016 Alumni

During 2015-2016, 1,889 students received degrees and/or certificates from Grand Rapids Community College. In December 2016, we sent two email messages to 1,584 students who had graduated from GRCC during that time and for whom we had personal email addresses. These two email attempts yielded 321 responses to an online survey (20%). We used U.S. mail to send paper surveys to the non-respondents as well as students we weren't able to email, and 88 of those responded by mail. The total response rate was 409/1,889 = 21.7%.

1. Which of the following best describes your status as of October 31, 2016? (check only one)

	N	%
Continuing education and EMPLOYED in a job NOT related to the program taken at GRCC	88	21.52%
Continuing education and EMPLOYED in a job related to the program taken at GRCC	53	12.96%
Continuing education, NOT EMPLOYED	49	11.98%
Employed in a job NOT related to the program taken at GRCC	71	17.36%
Employed in a job related to the program taken at GRCC	136	33.25%
In the military full-time	1	<1%
Unemployed, actively seeking work	8	1.96%
Unemployed, not actively seeking work	3	0.73%

2. Which classification BEST matches the organization for which you work?

	N	%
Child Care	17	5.57%
Construction, Maintenance and Repair	16	5.25%
Education, Health and Social Services	106	34.75%
Financial, Insurance, Real Estate	10	3.28%
Government, Public Administration, Public Safety, Courts	13	4.26%
Information Services, Communication	8	2.62%
Leisure and Hospitality	36	11.81%
Manufacturing (any kind)	31	10.16%
Other	10	3.28%
Professional (technical, scientific, managerial)	25	8.20%
Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	9	2.95%
Wholesale and Retail Trade	24	7.87%

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

	N	%
No	160	45.98%
Yes	188	54.02%

4. To what extent has your GRCC program made a positive difference for you in your current job?

	N	%
A lot	141	40.99%
Some	110	31.98%
Very little	46	13.37%
Not at all	47	13.66%

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