

Survey of Graduate Degree Alumni Executive Summary

Southeastern Louisiana University believes that Graduate Degree Alumni can provide insights into the value of their degree and the influence a degree from Southeastern has had on their lives. The information provided can be used to help assess where the university has been, and help plan where the university is going. Alumni's perceptions of the value of their education, the influence their educational experiences have had on their life, and where and what the alumni are currently doing gives the university a wonderful opportunity to review the university's accomplishments and shortcomings. Therefore, in Academic Year 2015-2016, Southeastern Louisiana University conducted a Survey of Graduate Degree Alumni.

Overall, the graduate alumni respondents perceived that Southeastern provided a positive educational experience with a family friendly campus. Summary highlights include:

- The majority of the respondents hold licensure/certification in their fields.
- 95% of respondents are satisfactorily employed.
- 92% of respondents indicated that their graduate education was effective in preparing them for employment or improving their job performance.
- Of the respondents employed full-time, 83% are employed in the state of Louisiana, with over a third employed in K-12 Education.
- Over 89% of the respondents are employed in the area of their Southeastern major, or a related area.
- Overall, the average income of alumni exceeds the average income of Louisiana residents.
- Approximately two-thirds of respondents are active members of professional organizations.
- Over half of the Master's degree respondents are continuing or plan to continue their education.
- Over 90% of the respondents felt that their graduate education improved the quality of their lives, regardless of the financial benefits.
- Over 75% of respondents would select Southeastern for their graduate education again.

