

FINDINGS OF THE SURVEY OF THE GRADUATES OF THE FACULTY OF BUSINESS

2023 y.

TIME:

20 November 2023 – 15 December 2023

AIM:

To find out the opinion of graduates about preparation for professional activities and integration into the labor market.

QUESTIONNAIRE:

Collected quantitative and qualitative empirical data. The survey was conducted electronically using the *LimeSurvey System*. The data were processed using *SPSS 20 for Windows*.

SURVEY FINDINGS (N=95):

1. Do you agree with the following statements (1 – strongly disagree, 5 – strongly agree):

Statement	Average
The studies met my expectations	3,83
The knowledge and skills acquired during studies are useful in professional performance	3,71
Study conditions were optimal.	4,08
The quality of instruction was high	3,66
I was able to combine study and work while studying	3,69
The acquired competences have contributed significantly to my career goals	3,53
Overall, you are satisfied with your higher education studies	4,08

2. Was the traineeship advantageous for employment? (Answers from working graduates)

Yes	38,64 %
Partly	26,14 %
No	25,00 %
Hard to say	9,09 %
I didn't have	1,14 %

3. Have you had any additional training after graduation?

Yes	24,21 %
No	75,79 %

4. What do you do?

Work	77,89 %
Work and study	14,74 %
Study	2,11 %
Unemployed	5,26 %

5. How soon were you employed after graduation? (Answers from working graduate)

I worked as a student	56,82 %
Within 1-3 months after graduation	28,41 %
Within 4-7 months after graduation	7,95 %
Within 8-12 months after graduation	4,55 %
More than one year after graduation	2,27 %

6. What do you think has most influenced your employment?

Higher education diploma	14,94 %
Increased demand for the profession/speciality	4,15 %
Personal qualities	27,80 %
Knowledge and skills acquired during studies	16,18 %
Knowledge and skills acquired through non-study activities	11,62 %
Practical skills	17,01 %
Social contacts	8,30 %

7. Which job search methods have been most helpful while employing? (Answers from working graduates)

CV sending	46,03 %
Registration with the labour exchange and its organised events	3,97 %
Searching on websites	30,16 %
Visiting employers	5,56 %
Social contacts	13,49 %
Contacts from Kaunas UAS Career Centre	0,79 %

8. To what extent are your current activities related to your speciality? Please rate as a percentage. (Answers from working graduates)

10 per cent	13,64 %
20 per cent	4,55 %
30 per cent	5,68 %
40 per cent	2,27 %
50 per cent	7,95 %
60 per cent	4,55 %
70 per cent	9,09 %
80 per cent	9,09 %
90 per cent	12,50 %
100 per cent	30,68 %

9. A variety of factors determines career satisfaction. Please indicate how much you agree with each of the following statements (1 – strongly disagree, 5 – strongly agree) (Answers from working graduates):

Statement	Average
Finding a job after my studies was not difficult	3,56
You enjoy the work you do	3,98
The remuneration for your work is adequate	3,38
You could easily find another job	3,39
You successfully apply the knowledge gained in your studies in your work	3,31
You can develop at work	4,11
Good relations between the manager and hissubordinates prevail at work	4,20

10. Would you recommend Kauno kolegija HEI to a friend or colleague? Please rate it on a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 means “definitely would not recommend” and 10 means “definitely would recommend”?

Statement	Average
1-6 points	12,63 %
7-8 points	37,89 %
9-10 points	49,47 %

Summarizing the results of the survey, it can be said that the graduates of the Faculty of Business evaluated the study conditions very well (average - 4.08), are satisfied with their studies at the early school (average - 4.08), studies met expectations (average - 3.83), knowledge and skills acquired during studies are useful in professional activities (average – 3.71).

65 percent of employed graduates indicated that internships were useful or partially useful for employment. More than 56 percent of graduates were already working while studying, 28.41 percent got a job within 1 - 3 months after graduation. In the opinion of the graduates, personal qualities and practical skills influence more integration into the labor market.

More than 77 percent survey graduates are currently working, 14.74 percent work and study, only more than 2 percent study.