FACULTY OF MEDICINE EMPLOYMENT OF GRADUATES AND RESEARCH OF ATTITUDES TO STUDIES



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EXECUTION TIME: October 26 – December 1, 2023

OBJECTIVE: To reveal the employment rates of the Faculty of Medicine, graduates of all study programmes and their attitude towards studies.

TARGET GROUP: Graduates of the Faculty of Medicine, all study programmes, 2023 edition.

OBJECT OF THE RESEARCH: Employability indicators and attitude to studies of the of graduates 2023 of the Faculty of Medicine, all study programmes.

RESEARCH METHOD: questionnaire survey (empirical data of quantitative and qualitative nature collected during the research). The survey was conducted electronically using the Google forms survey system. The data was processed using Microsoft Excel. Participation in the survey was voluntary, the survey was confidential and anonymous.

RESULTS: The study involved 218 graduates who graduated in 2023. The total return of questionnaires is **54.36 per cent**. Summarizing the results obtained, the number of graduates of the Faculty of Medicine who graduated in 2023 work according to their specialty (62.38 %) (*see Figure 1*). Analysing the nature of the respondents' workplace, it turned out that 27% of graduates work in a private sector company/institution, 35% work in a public sector company/institution.

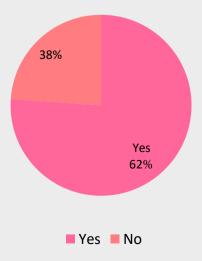


Figure 1. Do graduates of the Faculty of Medicine work according to their specialty (n=218) (%)

When comparing the employment results of graduates of the 2023 editions of the Faculty of Medicine by study programmes, the highest employability is observed among graduates of study programmes in Oral Hygiene (100 per cent), Dental Care (90 per cent), Dental Technology (85.7 per cent), General Practice Nursing (75.5 per cent), Radiology (75 per cent) (Table 1).

Study programme	Yes	Not	Percentage of those working in their specialty from those who participated in the survey
Midwifery	10	5	66.6 per cent
General Practice Nursing	37	5	75.5 per cent.
Biomedical diagnostics	15	7	57.7 per cent
Oral hygiene	5	-	100 percent
Dental technology	6	-	85.7 per cent.
Dietetics	7	3	58.3 per cent.
Occupational therapy	6	-	66.6 per cent
Pharmacy Techniques	4	5	33.3 per cent.
Physical therapy	3	-	42.8 per cent.
Cosmetology	24	14	46.1 per cent.
Dental care	10	-	90 percent
Radiology	9	3	75 per cent.

Table 1. Do graduates of the Faculty of Medicine work by specialty, distribution by study programs

More than half of the graduates of the Faculty of Medicine's study programme rate their preparation for professional activity as good (50.4%), 38.3% of respondents rate their preparation for professional activity very well and the smallest part of respondents assess their preparation as satisfactory (10.8%) (see Figure 2).

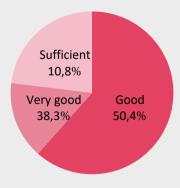


Figure 2. Assessment of professional readiness (n=139) (%)

Respondents were presented with statements about their studies at Kauno kolegija and were asked to rate them from "I completely agree" – 5 to "I completely disagree" – 1. The analysis of the data revealed that respondents most agree with the statement that they are satisfied with their studies at Kauno Kolegija

(3.85), while the respondents least agree with the statement that they could combine studies with work (3.11). (see Figure 3)

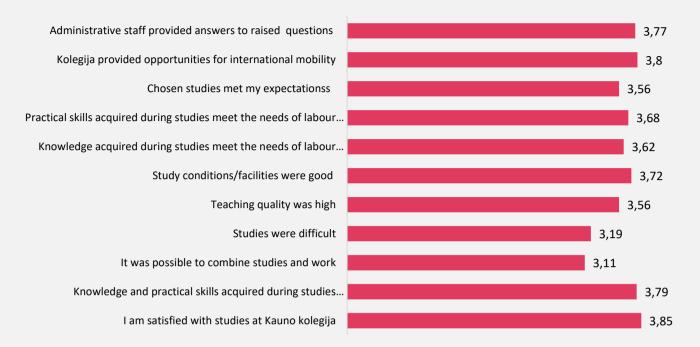


Figure 3. Opinion of graduates of the Faculty of Medicine about studies at Kauno kolegija (n=218)

Note: The average of the Likert scale is provided. The higher the average, the more respondents agree with the statement presented.