SURVEY OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE GRADUATES' ON EMPLOYMENT AND THEIR ATTITUDE TO STUDIES



2023-2024 AUTUMN SEMESTRE

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AIM: to determine employment rates of graduates in all study programs of the faculty of Medicine and their

attitude to studies.

TARGET GROUP: graduates of all study programs of the faculty of Medicine, Kauno Kolegija/Higher Education Institution (KK) in 2024.

RESEARCH OBJECT: employment rates of graduates of all study programs of the Faculty of Medicine in 2024 and their attitude to studies.

RESEARCH METHOD: questionnaire (quantitative and qualitative empirical data collection). The survey was conducted in the electronic space, using the Google forms survey system. The data were processed using Microsoft Excel. Participation in the survey was voluntary, confidential and anonymous.

RESULTS: Total return rate of the questionnaires was 140 (39 percent) from graduates who completed studies in 2024. Summarizing the survey results it can be said that 84,8 % of graduates 2024 work in the field of their studies (see Figure 1). Analysis of respondents' employment indicate that 52,6 % of graduates work in private sector institutions, 38 % work in public sector institutions, 12,4 % own their private business and 2,9 % work in non-profit NGO.

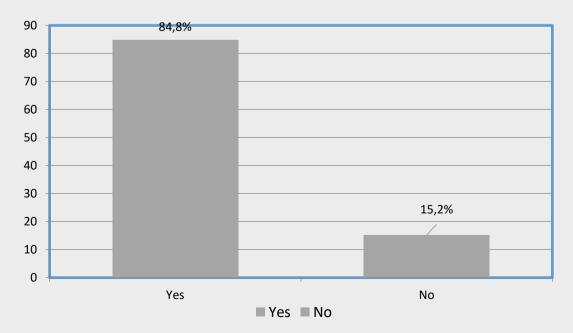


Figure 1. Do graduates of the faculty of Medicine work by specialty (n=140) (percent)

Comparing the graduates' employment rates of the faculty of Medicine in 2024, the highest employment is in the study programs of Radiology (100 %), General Practice Nursing (97 %), Cosmetology (90 %), Oral Hygiene (86,6 %), Midwifery (84,6 %) Physical Therapy (84,2 %), Odontological Care (83,3 %) (see Table 1).

Study program	Yes	No	Percentage of working graduates by specialty from total number of respondents
Midwifery	11	5	84,6 pct.
General Practice Nursing	34	1	97,0 pct.
Biomedical Diagnostics	2	7	33,3 pct.
Oral Hygiene	13	-	86,6 pct.
Dental Technology	2	1	66,6 pct.
Dietetics	6	3	60,0 pct.
Occupational Therapy	-	-	66,6 pct.
Farmacy Techniques	7	2	77,7 pct.
Phycical Therapy	16	3	84,2 pct.
Cosmetology	18	4	90,0 pct.
Odontological Care	5	-	83,3 pct.
Radiology	7	-	100 pct.

Table 1. Employment of graduates of the faculty of Medicine according to study programs (n=140) (pct.)

More than half of graduates of the faculty of Medicine evaluate preparation for profession as high (65 pct.), 21,4 pct. of respondents preparation for profession rated as very high and the smallest number of respondents – as satisfactory (13,6 %) (see Figure 2).

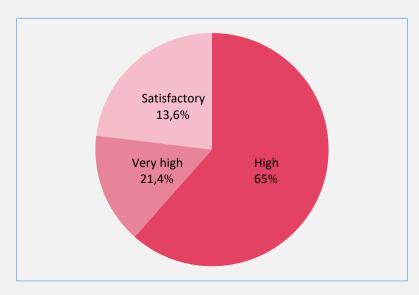


Figure 2. Assessment of preparation for professional activity (n=140) (pct.)

The respondents were asked to rate the given statements about studies (from $5 - \text{_}$ strongly agree" to $1 - \text{_}$ strongly disagree"). The data analysis revealed that most respondents agree with the statement that knowledge and practical skills acquired during studies meet the needs of labour market (66,4 pct.). The least respondents agree with the statement that it was possible to combine studies with work (45,7 pct.) (see Figure 3).

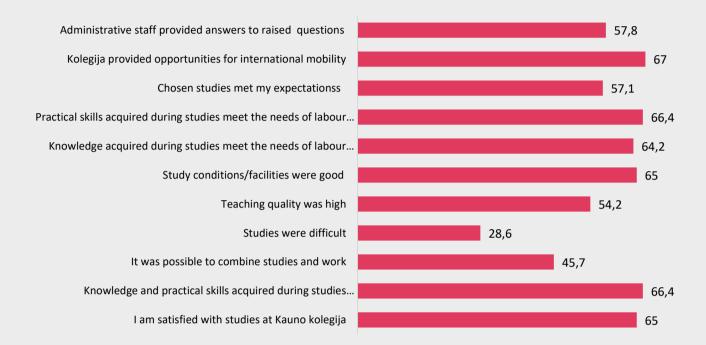


Figure 3. Attitude of the faculty of Medicine graduates to studies at Kauno kolegija (n=140)