

Degree Program Group
 Total Master's Graduates
 Total Survey Respondents

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1. Are you currently employed (including self-employed)?

Yes, working full time	4	80.0%	37	86.0%	15	75.0%	56	82.4%
Yes, working part time	1	20.0%						

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Written skills	-0.2			-0.4
Public speaking and presentation skills				

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	Gap	Import	Prep	Gap
Communication Skills				
Written skills	-0.5			-0.4
Public speaking and presentation skills	-0.4			-0.2
Reading skills	-0.8			-0.6
Listening skills	-0.7			-0.6
Problem Solving Skills				
Collect, analyze and synthesize information	-0.6			-0.5
Think creatively and plan projects	-0.5			-0.5
Solve problems	-0.5			-0.5
Computer and Technical Skills				
Word processing and formatting	-0.7			-0.6
Spreadsheets and data displays	-0.9			-0.9
Presentation software	-0.5			-0.4
Design of websites	-0.4			-0.1
Human Relations/Leadership Skills				
Develop interpersonal relationships	-0.6			-0.7
Team-building	-0.5			-0.7
Ability to set and manage priorities	-0.9			-0.8
Conflict resolution skills				

Program Group	College of Arts & Sciences	Total
Master's Graduates	138	457
Survey Respondents	20	68

How are skills that are often important at the workplace. For each skill, indicate how important it is to your current work and how well NEIU prepared you.


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Average preparation received from NEIU for each workplace skill (5 pt scale)


Difference between average importance rating and average preparation rating.

Negative gaps indicate alumni who report being under-prepared.

	Import vs. Prep	Gap	Import	Prep	Gap
Communication Skills					
Writing skills		-0.2			-0.4
Speaking and presentation skills		-0.3			-0.2
Reading skills		-0.3			-0.6
Listening skills		-0.7			-0.6
Problem Solving Skills					
Analyze and synthesize information		-0.1			-0.5
Work creatively and plan projects		-0.6			-0.5
Solve problems		-0.3			-0.5
Computer and Technical Skills					
Word processing and formatting		-0.4			-0.6
Spreadsheets and data displays		-1.0			-0.9
Database software		-0.6			-0.4
Use of websites		0.3			-0.1
Relations/Leadership Skills					
Develop interpersonal relationships		-1.1			-0.7
Team building		-1.4			-0.7
Ability to set and manage priorities		-0.8			-0.8
Conflict resolution skills		-1.2			-0.8
Time management skills		-1.0			-0.7



very well	0	0.0%	2	1	3		
	0	0.0%	3	3	6		
	0	0.0%	2	1	3		
Inadequately	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0
Poorly	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0		



Degree Program Group	College of Business		College of Education		College of Arts & Sciences		University	
Total Master's Graduates	32		287		138		457	
Total Survey Respondents	5		43		20		68	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%

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Section V: Educational Effectiveness

22. Please respond to each question by evaluating your program as a whole:

22-1. Professors accessible									
Very Often	2	40.0%	22	52.4%	10	50.0%	34	50.7%	
Often	3	60.0%	12	28.9%	8	40.0%	23	34.3%	
Sometimes	0	0.0%	8	19.0%	1	5.0%	9	13.4%	
Infrequently	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	5.0%	1	1.5%	
Never	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
22-2. Work cooperatively									
Very Often	5	100.0%	28	66.7%	6	30.0%	39	58.2%	
Often	0	0.0%	12	28.6%	11	55.0%	23	34.3%	
Sometimes	0	0.0%	2	4.8%	2	10.0%	4	6.0%	
Infrequently	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	5.0%	1	1.5%	
Never	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
22-3. Challenge ideas									
Very Often	2	40.0%	21	50.0%	7	35.0%	30	44.8%	
Often	2	40.0%	11	26.2%	9	45.0%	22	32.8%	
Sometimes	1	20.0%	8	19.0%	2	10.0%	11	16.4%	
Infrequently	0	0.0%	2	4.8%	0	0.0%	2	3.0%	
Never	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	10.0%	2	3.0%	
22-4. Appropriate teaching activities									

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Section VI: Alumni Relations

23. How interested would you be in finding former NEIU classmates through social networking?

Very interested	0	0.0%	6	14.3%	1	5.0%	7	10.4%
Interested	2	40.0%	10	23.8%	10	50.0%	22	32.8%
Neutral	3	60.0%	15	35.7%	5	25.0%	23	34.3%
Uninterested	0	0.0%	5	11.9%	4	20.0%	9	13.4%
Very uninterested	0	0.0%	6	14.3%	0	0.0%	6	9.0%

24. Please indicate which types of events would bring you back to visit NEIU (Check all that apply):

Cultural programs	3	60.0%	15	34.9%	8	40.0%	26	38.2%
Theatre performances	2	40.0%	15	34.9%	7	35.0%	24	35.3%
Music Performances	1	20.0%	15	34.9%	4	20.0%	20	29.4%
Dance performances	0	0.0%	11	25.6%	4	20.0%	15	22.1%
Art gallery openings	1	20.0%	11	25.6%	5	25.0%	17	25.0%
Career Development Activities	2	40.0%	11	25.6%	7	35.0%	20	29.4%
Faculty retirement parties	0	0.0%	5	11.6%	3	15.0%	8	11.8%
Sports	1	20.0%	4	9.3%	4	20.0%	9	13.2%
Other	0	0.0%	7	16.3%	4	20.0%	11	16.2%

25. As an alum, I would be most likely to participate in alumni events that were organized to bring together others who were in my (Check all that apply):

Academic Department or Major	3	60.0%	24	55.8%	16	80.0%	43	63.2%
Academic College	2	40.0%	2	4.7%	5	25.0%	9	13.2%
Graduation Class	3	60.0%	13	30.2%	8	40.0%	24	35.3%
Student Organization(s)	0	0.0%	4	9.3%	1	5.0%	5	7.4%
Cultural or ethnic background	2	40.0%	8	18.6%	5	25.0%	15	22.1%
General alumni event	0	0.0%	5	11.6%	4	20.0%	9	13.2%
Other	0	0.0%	2	4.7%	1	5.0%	3	4.4%
No interest in alumni events	0	0.0%	8	18.6%	2	10.0%	10	14.7%

26. How would you like to get involved? (Check all that apply):

Mentor students	1	20.0%	6	14.0%	6	30.0%	13	19.1%
Share career exp. with current students	1	20.0%	13	30.2%	9	45.0%	23	33.8%
Fundraise for		42.0%						