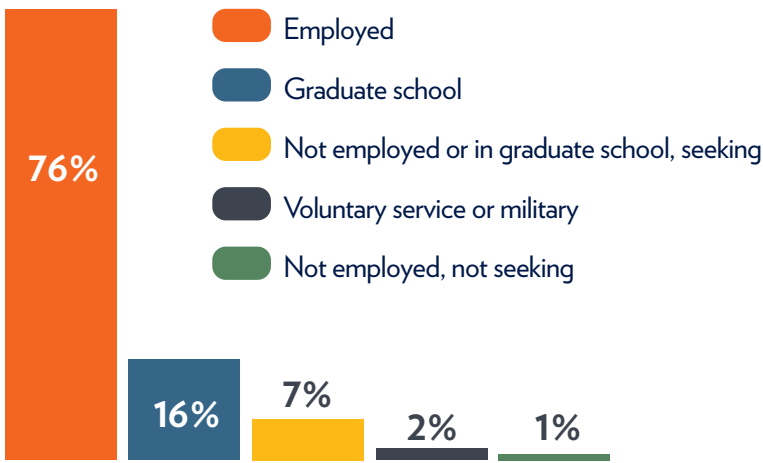# Hope COLLEGE

Graduate Report

Hope graduates are educated to think about important issues with clarity, wisdom and a deep understanding of the Christian faith. They make an impact at organizations, companies and graduate schools around the country and abroad. This summary of the annual Graduate Report gives a six-month snapshot of the Class of 2020.

Class of 2020 Snapshot

- 76% Employed
- 16% Graduate school
- 7% Not employed or in graduate school, seeking
- 2% Voluntary service or military
- 1% Not employed, not seeking

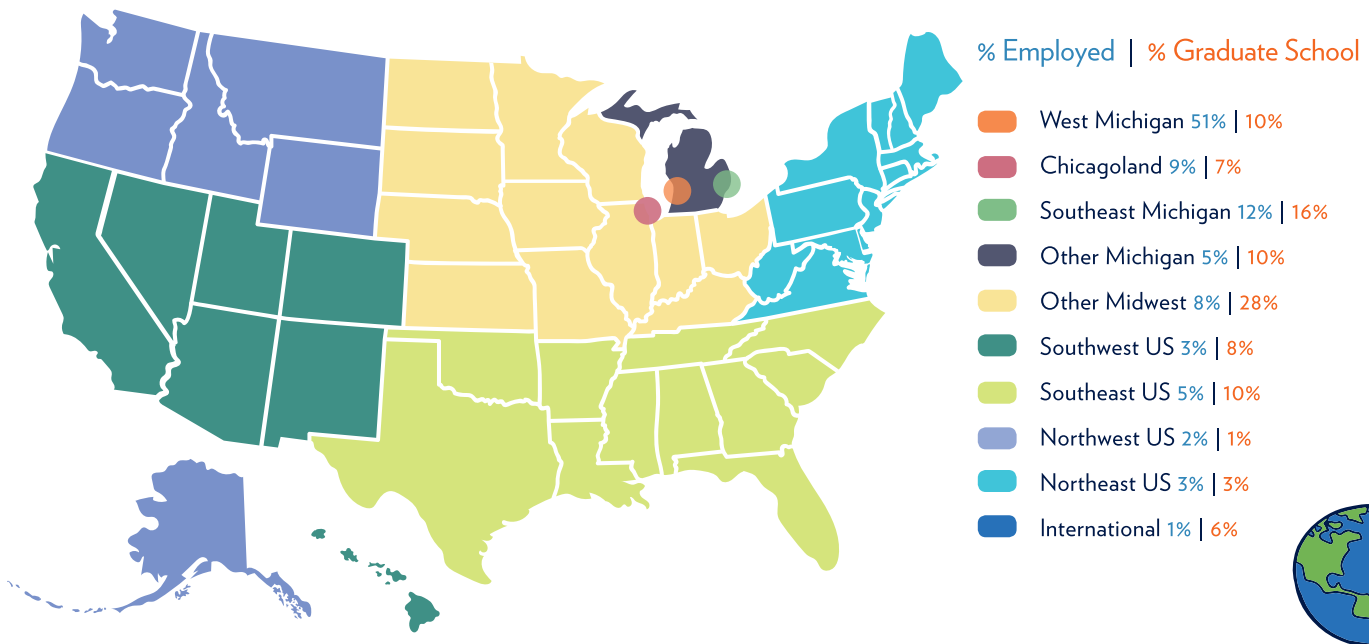*Percentages exceed 100% because survey responders could select multiple responses*

Class of 2020 Top Majors

Business	Biology
Psychology	Exercise Science
Engineering	Accounting
Communication	Education
Nursing	Spanish

84%

of the class of 2020 graduates who are employed full time, are employed in their field of study

Class of 2020 Employment & Graduate School by Region

% Employed | % Graduate School

- West Michigan 51% | 10%
- Chicagoland 9% | 7%
- Southeast Michigan 12% | 16%
- Other Michigan 5% | 10%
- Other Midwest 8% | 28%
- Southwest US 3% | 8%
- Southeast US 5% | 10%
- Northwest US 2% | 1%
- Northeast US 3% | 3%
- International 1% | 6%

Class of 2020 Overview

94%
participated in experiential learning opportunities, such as internships, off-campus study and collaborative student-faculty research

97%
of those who were in graduate school were accepted to their first-or-second school choice

88%
are likely or very likely to refer someone else to Hope College for their education

86%
were involved and active in extracurricular activities and organizations

88%
connected with a staff or faculty member about their vocational future

96%
shared they felt that their professors cared about them as a person

About the Graduate Report

This study is administered annually by the Frost Center for Data and Research, Alumni and Family Engagement, the Boerigter Center for Calling and Career, and Admissions. Alumni are contacted 5-6 months after graduation by email, mail and telephone. This year we had a knowledge rate of 83%, with 448 survey responses, 89 from LinkedIn and 13 from the National Student Clearing House. For additional requests or data from previous years, please contact the Frost Center for Data and Research at 616.395.7556 or frostcenter@hope.edu.
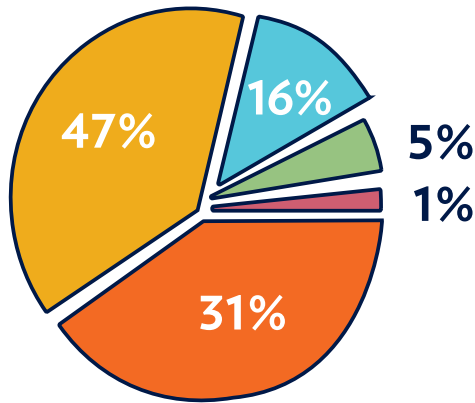
For more information, visit hope.edu/gradreport

Class of 2020 Employment Satisfaction

78%
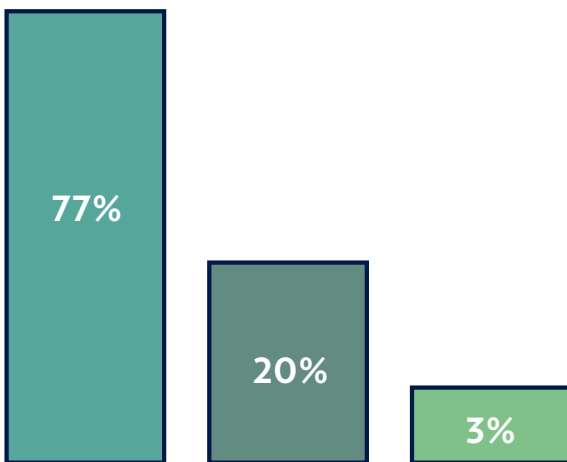are satisfied or very satisfied with their employment

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

47%
16%
5%
1%
31%

Class of 2020 Graduate Schools

77%
20%
3%

97%
of those who were in graduate school were accepted to their first-or-second school choice

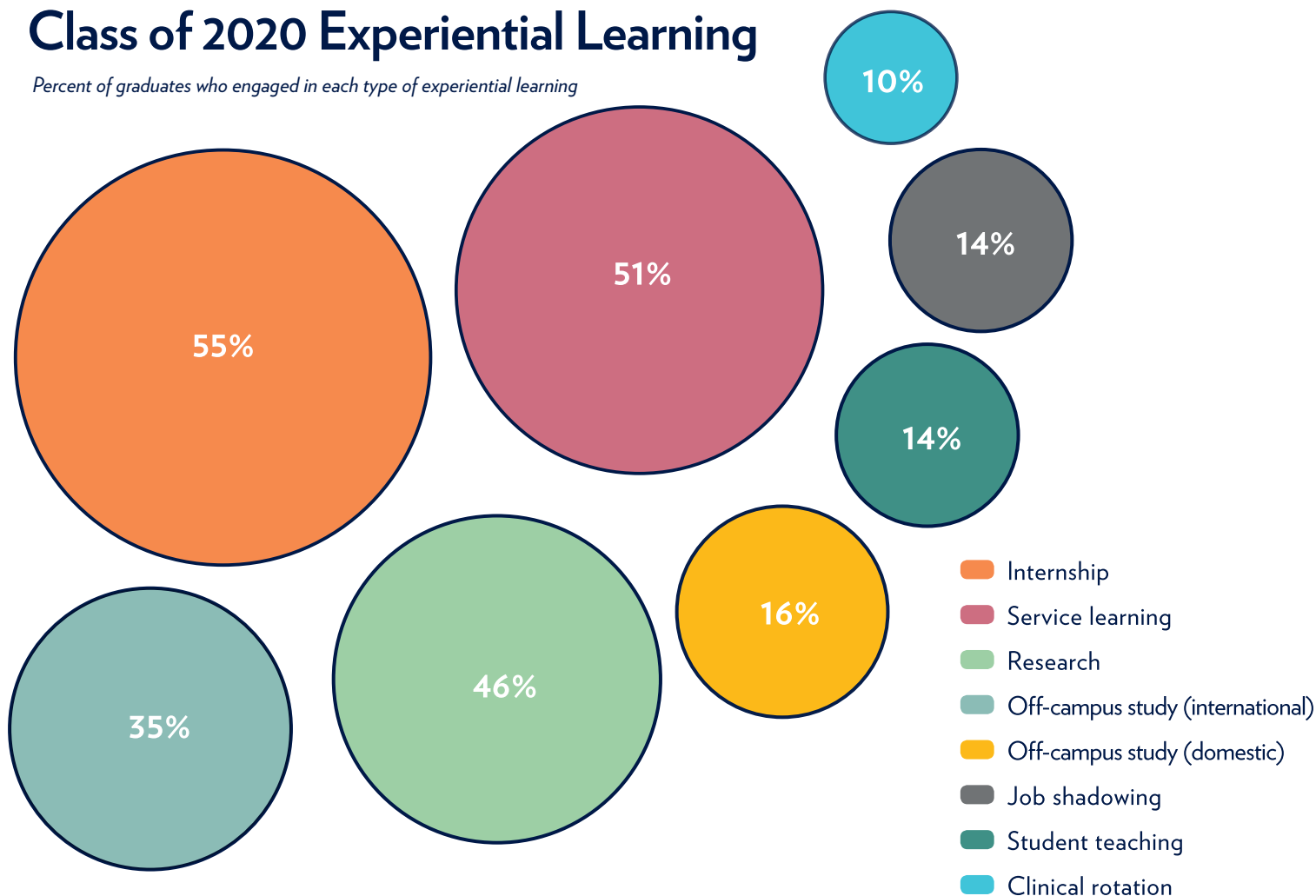- First choice
- Second choice
- Other

Recent Employers

Amazon
Apple
Bethany Christian Services
Capitol National Bank
Center for Autism and Related Disorders
Ford Motor Company
General Motors
Grand Rapids Public Schools
Haworth Inc.
J.P. Morgan
LG Chem Michigan
Meijer Inc.
Mercy Health
Michigan Spine and Brain Surgeons PLLC
MVP Sports Clubs
Ottawa County Children's Advocacy Center
Pfizer
Plante Moran
Rockford Public Schools
Spectrum Health
YoungLife

Recent Graduate Schools

Carnegie Mellon University
Chicago School of Professional Psychology
Clemson University
College of Human Medicine at Michigan State University
Cooley Law School at Western Michigan University
Dartmouth College
Duke University School of Law
Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangan-Nuremburg
Grand Valley State University
Illinois Institute of Technology
Loyola University
Northwestern University
Universidad de Alcalá
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Michigan
University of North Carolina
University of Notre Dame
University of Texas at Austin
Wayne State University
Western Michigan University

Class of 2020 Experiential Learning

Percent of graduates who engaged in each type of experiential learning

10%

14%

14%

51%

55%

16%

46%

35%

- Internship
- Service learning
- Research
- Off-campus study (international)
- Off-campus study (domestic)
- Job shadowing
- Student teaching
- Clinical rotation

Hope College Campus Resources

Boerigter Center For Calling and Career

The principal goal of the Boerigter Center is to teach students how to engage in lifelong practices of career development.

- Discern: Identify strengths and interests, absorb the liberal arts and deepen sense of vocation and core character.
- Prepare: Explore paths, expand intellect, develop skills and extend perspectives through experiences on campus and around the world.
- Pursue: Strategize for life after college, activate networks and achieve next steps.

Alumni Association

In partnership with the Boerigter Center for Calling and Career, the Alumni Association hosts an online career center where you can work on your résumé, join and use The Hope College Connection, volunteer, find job postings, connect with social media and sign up for events. Connect at **hope.edu/alumni**.

Handshake

Students and alumni can browse thousands of job and internship postings on Hope's online job board, Handshake. Start searching at **hope.edu/handshake**.