Grand Rapids Community College

Survey of 2021-2022 Alumni

GRCC Institutional Research

During 2021-2022, 457 career-related (occupational) students received degrees and/or certificates from Grand Rapids Community College. The purpose of the survey of alumni is to determine how well students do, either in finding employment in an occupation related or unrelated to their program of study, within one year after attending GRCC. The data collected from this survey is a requirement of the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V). The total number of career-related alumni to receive surveys was 457.

In June 2022, and then again in January 2023 we sent an online survey to 457 students with email addresses who had graduated from GRCC. Of these 457 surveys were actually delivered which yielded 61 responses after three emails. No U.S. mail paper questionnaires were sent to the students during this survey attempt. The total response rate was 61/457 = 13%.

1. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? (Check only one)

	N	%
Employed in a job NOT related to the program taken at GRCC	9	15%
Employed in a job related to the program taken at GRCC	47	78%
Serving in the military	1	2%
Unemployed, actively seeking work	1	2%
Unemployed, not actively seeking work	2	3%

2. Are you pursuing further education (university, advanced training, etc.)?

	N	%
Yes	13	22%
No	47	78%

3. Did the education you received in your GRCC program help you to obtain your current job?

	N	%
Yes	52	85%
No	6	10%
Not Employed	3	5%

Note: The student surveyed graduated from a Perkins approved program.