

Grand Rapids Community College  
Survey of 2019-2020 Alumni

During 2019-2020, 681 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 664.

In December 2020, we sent an online survey to 664 students with email addresses who had graduated from GRCC. Of these 664 surveys were actually delivered which yielded 219 responses after three email. No U.S. mail paper questionnaires were sent to the students during this survey attempt. The total response rate was  $219/664 = 33\%$ .

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	49	22%
Employed in a job related to the program taken at GRCC	138	63%
Unemployed, actively seeking work	27	12%
Unemployed, not actively seeking work	5	2%

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

	N	%
Yes	117	54%
No	102	46%

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

	N	%
Yes	133	61%
No	58	26%
Not Employed	28	13%