

About the First Destination Survey 2023

The purpose of Lycoming College's First Destination Survey is to summarize information on the employment and graduate/professional school status of graduates within 6 – 12 months. The graduating class is defined as students completing their degrees between July 1st and June 30th. For example, the graduating class of 2022 – 2023 includes graduates completing degrees between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023 (N=203).

Statistics are calculated from responses to survey questions related to employment, volunteer service, military service, continuing education, seeking continuing education, and seeking/not seeking employment prior to graduation.

Graduating seniors complete a survey during the week leading up to graduation. A follow-up survey is sent to graduates within six months, with final outcomes data gathered by June 2024. Additional data collection includes verifiable employer, parent, or faculty information, and online sources such as LinkedIn profiles in accordance with NACE (the National Association of Colleges and Employers) guidelines.

Knowledge Rate

NACE defines knowledge rate as “the percent of graduates for which an institution has reasonable and verifiable information concerning the graduates’ post-graduation career activities.” Of the 203 graduates, 135 had reasonable and verifiable information through data collection which gives a 66.50% knowledge rate of the class of 2023.

Outcomes Rate

Of those included in the knowledge rate (N=135), 133 were employed or in a graduate or professional program, post-graduate fellow/fellowship, or participating in a volunteer or service program which gives us the outcomes rate of 98.51%.

Outcome Category (Knowledge Base Only)	Class of 2021		Class of 2022		Class of 2023	
	N=140	%	N=155	%	N=135	%
Employed full-time or part-time (includes postgraduate internship or fellowship)	111	79.29%	131	84.52%	108	80.00%
Accepted/enrolled in graduate school or another program of continuing education	26	18.57%	22	14.19%	24	17.78%
Participating in a volunteer or service program (ex. Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, Catholic Charities USA, Teach for America)	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Serving in the military	1	.71%	0	0.00%	1	0.74%
Other ¹	1	.71%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total	139	99.29%	153	98.71%	133	98.52%

¹ Real Estate Investing (1) for Class of 2021

Types of Graduate/Professional Education Graduates Enroll	N=24
Ph.D	3
Law Degree (JD or LLB)	0
Medical Degree (e.g. MD, DO, DDs, DVM, PharmD)	1
Other Doctoral Degree (e.g. EdD, PsyD, DBA)	0
Dual Degree (e.g. MD/PhD, JD/PhD, MA/MPA, DPT/MSAT)	2
Master's Degree in Arts and Sciences (e.g. MA, MS)	4
Master of Business Administration (MBA)	1
Other Master's Degree (e.g. MAT, MFA, MPA, MSE, MSN, MSW)	13
Clinical Lab Science Program	0