Program Outcomes

Our focus is to assist students in their preparation for career success by providing them opportunities to experience the connection between work and learning. Annually, we measure the results of our efforts through the use of several surveys, including our student evaluations. Listed are highlights of this year’s data.

- 97% of all students participating in the program agree that they gain practical knowledge about their chosen field of academic studies.

- 96% of all participating students agree that their oral communication skills improve as a result of the work experience.

- 98% of all participating students agree that they acquire new knowledge from their job responsibilities.

- 98% of all participating students agree that they develop problem solving skills during their employment.

- 95% of all participating students agree the Co-op/Internship program prepares them to enter the job market.

Student Placements

Total Co-op and Internship Placements: 1423

Co-op Special Events

- Fall Kegger
- Non-Profit Chamber Breakfast
- Expoventure
- Internship Workshop
- Etiquette Seminars
- Annual Employer/Faculty Appreciation Luncheon
- Employer Advisory Board Meeting
- Frank W. Barton Business Week Participants with a Fashion Show and Co-op Panel
Employer Evaluations of Student Performance

Average response based on the scale:
5 = Excellent, 4 = Outstanding,
3 = Very Good, 2 = Satisfactory 1 = Needs Improvement

Interpersonal Skills ............... 4.5
Communication Skills ............ 4.4
Work Culture ..................... 4.4
Organization / Planning .......... 4.4
Technology ....................... 4.4
Work Habits ...................... 4.6

Post Graduation Survey

685 Co-op and Internship Students graduated from Wichita State University during the 2007-2008 school year. These graduates were sent a survey. A total of 186 graduates responded. (27.15% response rate.) Highlights from this year’s data are listed below:

- 91% are currently employed
- 69% are working within their major
- 79% are working in Wichita

Co-op Students' GPA

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