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School of Psychology, Family & Community – Graduate Programs Job Placement Information

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Seattle Pacific University’s School of Psychology, Family & Community 2020-21 Graduate Program Satisfaction and Job Placement Report

Program satisfaction and job placement information is provided for the following SPFC graduate programs:

- Clinical Psychology (PhD)
- Industrial/Organizational Psychology (MA and PhD)
- Marriage and Family Therapy (MS)

Clinical Psychology (PhD)

We survey our alumni annually. The 2022 summer survey covered 4 graduating cohorts: 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, and 2020-2021. For each year the range was August grads through July grads.

We sent 46 surveys with a response rate of 61%. 89% of our alumni are employed within the field of psychology.

68% of those who are considered to be license-eligible (since most states require 1-2 years of postdoctoral clinical hours before licensure, we determine eligibility as > 2 years post-PhD) have their psychology license.

Industrial-Organizational Psychology (MA and PHD)

The following data and job lists are for students who graduated in 2021 and 2022 combined. This includes Masters students (a 2-year degree) and PhD students who were finishing out 5-7 years.

98% of I-O graduates acquire full-time work with 92% of our alumni acquiring jobs related to Industrial-Organizational Psychology.

Job titles of recent graduates (within the last 2 years) include:

Organizational Development Consultant, Research Analyst, Executive Recruiter, Program Management Specialist, Director of People Science, Human Resource Generalist, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Specialist, Employee Engagement Specialist, Europe Business Manager, Director of Learning & Behavioral Science, earning Solutions Specialist

Organizations where recent graduates are working include:

Amazon, Blue Origin, Columbia Sportswear, Expedia, Google, Meta, Microsoft, Nordstrom, Deloitte, KPMG, Slalom Consulting, LifeLabs Learning, Starbucks, T-Mobile, and Zillow among others

Marriage and Family Therapy (MS)

Three separate surveys are conducted on MFT alumni: (1) An annual exit survey for all graduated students; 25% response rate. (2) An alumni survey three years post-graduation; response rate varies by year but on average is between 40-50%.

Of those who responded to the survey:

- **Program Satisfaction:** Overall strength of the MFT program is measured annually in exit survey. Of alumni who graduated between 2016 and 2019, 92% of the respondents rated the program as “adequately” to “very well”.
- **Employment:** Of those who responded to the graduating student survey, 94% of 2016-2019 graduates are currently employed in an MFT-Related job. 94% of those surveyed plan to pursue state licensure as an MFT.
- **Job Search:** Of those who responded to the graduating student survey 88% obtained their first MFT-related job immediately following graduation.

MFT Note: The Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education requires additional information be posted on program websites. Additional information on SPU’s Marriage and Family Therapy program may be found via this link: <http://spu.edu/academics/school-of-psychology-family-community/graduate-programs/marriage-and-family-therapy>