



Life After Wheaton

The Undergraduate Class of 2017 →



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Class of 2017 First Destination Survey Results

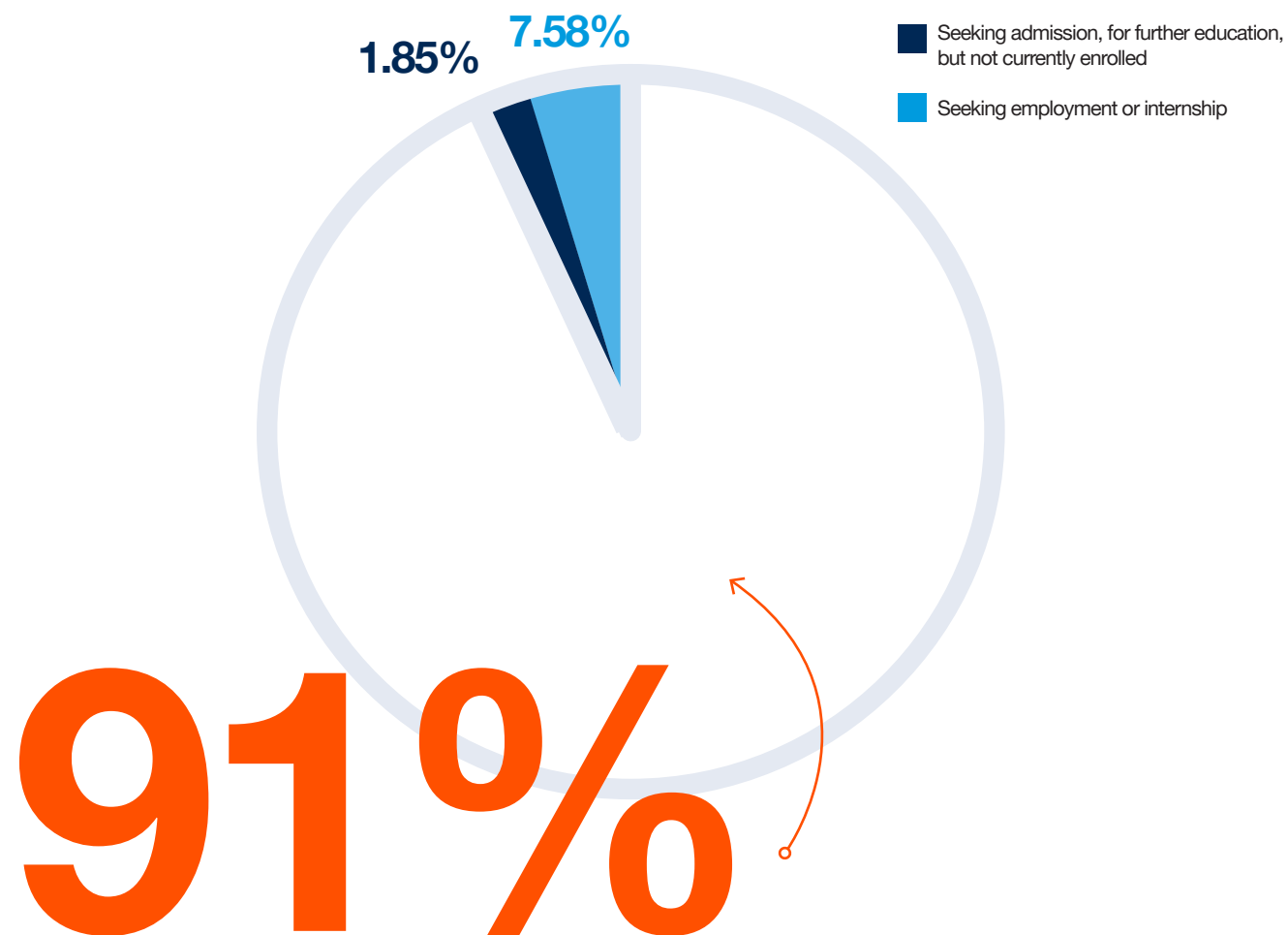
I am pleased to present the results of the First Destination Survey for the Wheaton College undergraduate class of 2017. Wheaton's Christ-centered liberal arts education is designed to help prepare students for meaningful vocations throughout their lives, whether that includes full-time employment, graduate school, an internship, or other adventures. We want all students to have the opportunity to develop their skills, explore their interests, and understand the values that will influence the context for their vocational pursuits.

The Center for Vocation and Career at Wheaton College is becoming one of the preeminent liberal arts career centers in the country and these metrics allow us to benchmark against other top-ranked schools. Effectively preparing our graduates for life after Wheaton is one way we hold ourselves accountable and gauge our effectiveness; this report is one of the tools we use to measure our success.

In reviewing these survey results, you will see how our students are using their liberal arts education to embrace a rich diversity of career opportunities, reflecting how well the College has prepared them to serve Christ and His kingdom.

Survey Methodology

This survey is conducted according to guidelines from the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE), the professional association for college career services. NACE's First Destination Survey captures information on how new college graduates fare in their careers within six months of graduation. The annual initiative provides clear, concise, and consistent data on the outcomes associated with a college education on a national scale (naceweb.org). In addition to providing outcomes for specific graduating classes, the First Destination Survey is designed to provide data trends over time to inform the discussion about the value of higher education. The standards and protocols allow collection of information from an electronic survey conducted by the Center for Vocation and Career, as well as job information from sources like LinkedIn.



of the class landed* within six months of graduation, compared to the national average of 81% (NACE).

*employed, interning, furthering their education, or pursuing other adventures of their choice

Where are they working?

Class of 2017 by industry

- Advertising
- Aerospace and Defense
- Arts and Entertainment
- Asset Management
- Aviation
- Banking
- Biotech
- Business Operations
- Church Ministry
- Commercial Real Estate
- Construction
- Consulting
- Consumer Electronics
- Consumer Packaged Goods
- Counseling
- Customer Service
- Data Communications
- Emergency Medical Services
- Energy
- Engineering
- Environmental Services
- Finance
- Fine Art
- Food and Beverage
- Government
- Health and Wellness
- Healthcare and Medicine
- Higher Education
- Horticulture
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Insurance
- Information Technology (IT)
- Journalism
- Law
- Library Science
- Manufacturing
- Marketing
- Media
- Military
- Museums
- Music Performance
- Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)
- Non-Profit
- Parks and Recreation
- Professional Services
- Primary Education
- Public Relations
- Publishing
- Research
- Sales
- Secondary Education
- Social Work
- Software Development/Programming
- Sports and Entertainment
- Technology
- Telecommunications
- Transportation and Logistics
- Veterinary Services



Organizations employing the class of 2017

- Breakthrough Urban Ministries
- 1871 Dairy
- Accenture
- Acuity Mutual
- Amazon
- American Enterprise Institute
- American Junior Golf Association
- Apex Energy Solutions
- Ascensus
- Atlantis Project
- Bain & Company
- Bank of America
- Bastian Voice Institute
- Belmar Arts
- BISCO
- Bloomberg
- BrightStar Ambulance
- Chatham Financial
- Centria Healthcare
- Cerner Corporation

- Chicago Public Schools
- Coyote Logistics
- Dell/EMC
- Epsilon
- First Trust Portfolios
- GfK
- Global Immigration Associates, PA
- Google
- Grant Thornton
- Havas
- Hope International
- IBM
- IJM
- Investortools, Inc.
- Iris Worldwide
- Johns Hopkins Medicine
- Kathleen Zellner & Associates
- L'Arche
- Lawndale Christian Health Center
- Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i
- Lockheed Martin
- McKinsey & Company
- McMaster-Carr

- Merrill Lynch
- Michigan Science Center
- Mission Eurasia
- Morgan Stanley
- Motorola Solutions
- National Institutes of Health
- Neuroscience Group
- Nicaragua Christian Academy
- Northwestern Medicine
- Octagon Worldwide
- Office of Governor Bruce Rauner
- Ogilvy & Mather
- Path Construction
- Princeton in Asia
- Prudential Capital Group
- Pui Tak Christian School
- PwC
- Samaritan's Purse
- Silicon Valley Bank
- Situ Biosciences
- Sonoscan
- Sonrise Mountain Ranch
- Target

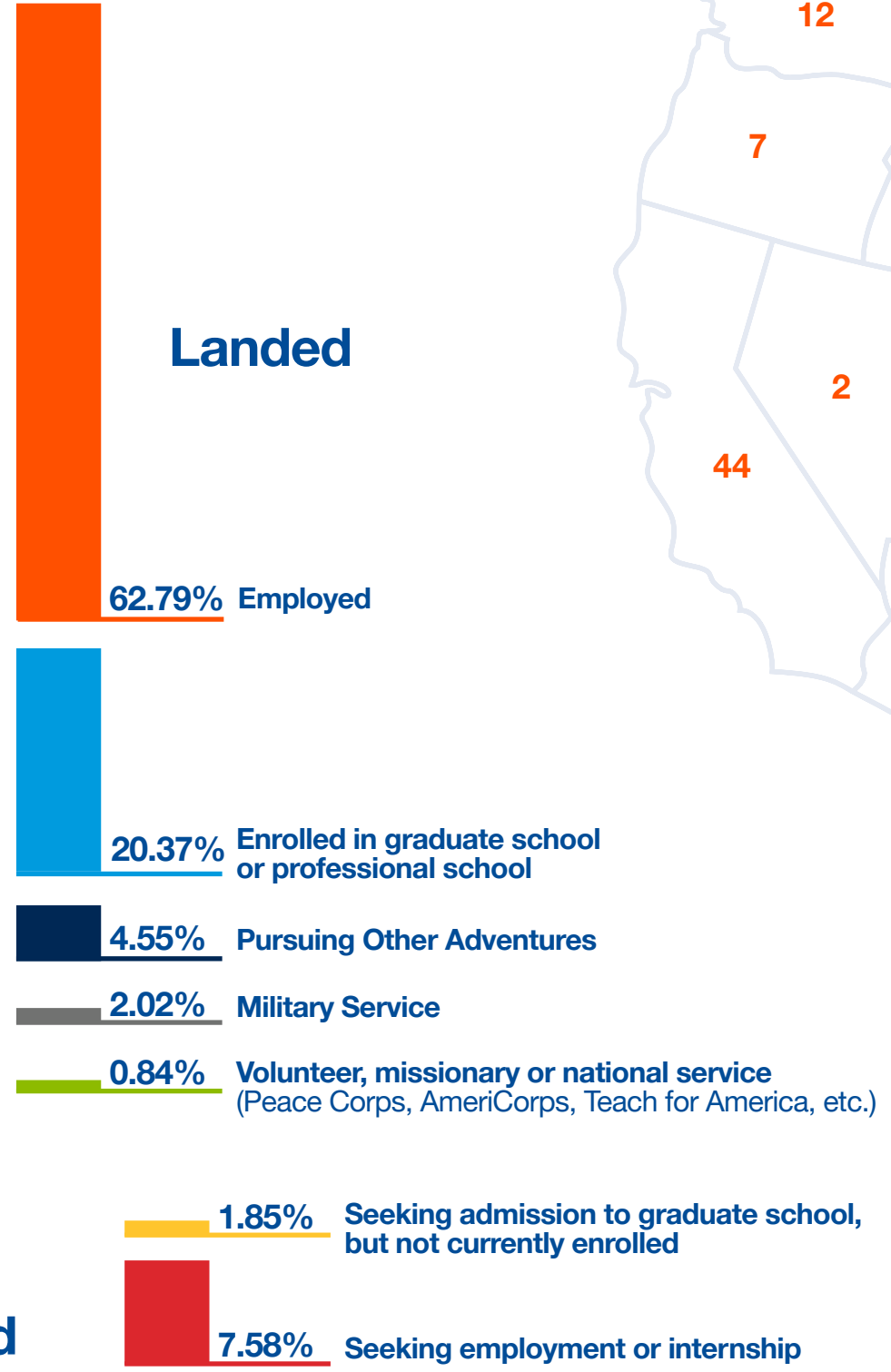
- Teach for America
- Teknion Data Solutions
- Tesla Motors
- The Ross K. MacNeill Foundation
- The Salvation Army
- Tyndale House Publishers
- U.S Bank
- U.S. Army
- Uber
- United States Geological Survey
- University of Minnesota
- USA Today
- Vanguard
- Westminster Presbyterian Church PCA
- Willow Creek Church
- Yelp
- YMCA
- Young Life
- Zurich Insurance

Where did they land?

Where are they now?

Full or part-time employment, including:

- Employed as an entrepreneur
- Employed in a temporary/contract work assignment
- Employed as a freelancer
- Employed in a postgraduate internship or fellowship
- Employed in all other work categories



- Other Countries**
- South Korea
 - Canada
 - Italy
 - Republic of Singapore
 - Japan
 - Colombia
 - Dominican Republic
 - Taiwan
 - Hong Kong

Who is continuing their education at this time?

Class of 2017 by major

Percentage of students by major who are currently pursuing further education.

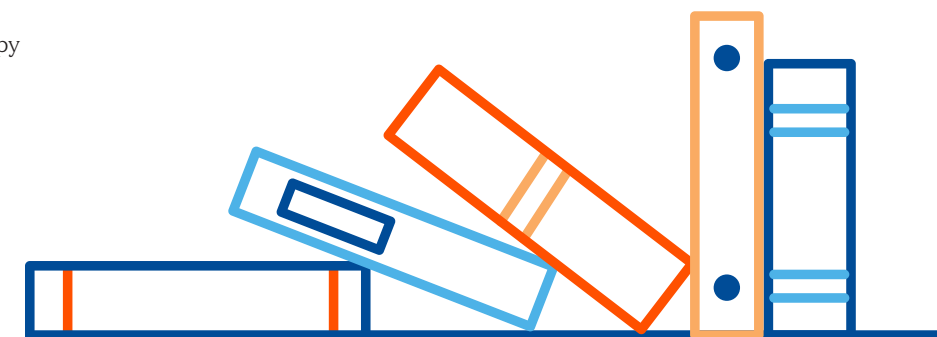
Majors	% Continuing Education
Ancient Languages	80%
Anthropology	32%
Applied Health Science	43%
Art	23%
Biblical and Theological Studies	42%
Biblical Archaeology	80%
Biology	33%
Business/Economics	9%
Chemistry	58%
Christian Education and Ministry	32%
Computer Science	20%
Economics	4%
Elementary Education	10%
English	24%
Environmental Studies/Science	20%
Geology	14%
German	33%
History	14%
Interdisciplinary Studies	63%
International Relations	11%
Liberal Arts Engineering	11%
Liberal Arts Nursing	50%
Mathematics	30%
Music	26%
Philosophy	29%
Physics	18%
Political Science	16%
Psychology	19%
Secondary Education	10%
Sociology	15%
Spanish	29%
Urban Studies	40%



What are they studying in graduate school or other educational endeavors?

Class of 2017 by field of study

Accounting	Marriage and Family Therapy	Social Services
Architecture	Medicine	Technology/Software
Biblical Counseling	Medieval Studies	TESOL
Biblical Exegesis	Nursing	Veterinary Medicine
Biotechnology	Occupational Therapy	Vocal Performance
Church Ministry	Optometry	
Computer Science	Pedagogy	
Dentistry	Philosophy	
Ecogeomorphology	Physical Therapy	
Education, Primary and Secondary	Physics	
Electrical Engineering	Physiology	
Environment & Sustainability	Public Health	
Fine Arts (Writing)	Religion	
Historical Theology		
Intercultural Studies		
Law/Public Policy		



Where are they studying?



- Biola University
- Rosemead School of Psychology
- Boston College
- Columbia University
- Dallas Theological Seminary
- Duke Divinity School
- Emory University
- Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary
- Illinois Institute of Technology
- Indiana University Dental School
- Jerusalem University College
- Johns Hopkins University
- Juilliard
- Michigan State University
- College of Human Medicine
- New England Conservatory
- Princeton Theological Seminary
- Rush University School of Nursing
- Texas A&M University
- Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
- University of Chicago
- University of Connecticut
- University of Illinois
- University of Illinois at Chicago
- Jane Addams College of Social Work
- University of Michigan
- University of North Carolina
- University of Washington
- Vanderbilt University
- Yale University
- Yale Divinity School

Where did they intern before graduation?

Internships completed by the class of 2017

Internships are a critical part of career preparation. 78% of the class of 2017 had at least one internship during their time at Wheaton, compared to the national average of 56% (NACE). Below is a partial list of internships sites.



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| Activate Healthcare | Haiti Outreach | Stanford University Children's Hospital |
| Agape Childcare Development Center | Harvard University | Steiger International |
| Aid for Women | Heritage Bank | Teknion Data Solutions |
| Amazon | Institute for Global Engagement | TGaS Advisors |
| Bastian Voice Institute | Institute on Religion and Democracy | The Carter Center |
| BDI Playhouse Pediatric Therapy | Integrated Ministries for Ethnic Minorities | The Salvation Army |
| Bellande and Sargis Law Group | International Care Ministries | The White House |
| Berlin City Mission | International Health and Development | Traverse Symphony Orchestra |
| Billy Graham Evangelistic Association UK | Network | Tru Colour Bandages |
| Blackfish Gallery | Invesco | U.S. Department of State |
| Blue Star Technology | Investortools, Inc. | United Mission to Nepal |
| Center for Public Justice | Johns Hopkins Medicine | United States Air Force Academy |
| Central Union Mission | Law Offices of Kathleen T. Zellner and Associates | United States Senate |
| Charles Schwab Corporation | Lawndale Christian Health Center | United Way |
| Chicago Council on Global Affairs | Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles | University of Minnesota Neuroscience |
| Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives | Los Angeles Biomedical Research Institute | Vanguard |
| Chick-Fil-A | Miami Summer Music Festival | Watermark Equity Group |
| Children's Hospital of Philadelphia | Microsoft | Wells Fargo |
| Columbia Asset Management | Mintel | World Relief |
| ConAgra Foods | Morgan Stanley | Young Life Africa/Middle East |
| Consulate General of Israel to the Midwest | NASA Goddard Space Flight Center | Zurich Insurance |
| Cornell University | National Cancer Institute | |
| Credit Karma | New City Arts Initiative | |
| Current Publishing | Northwestern Mutual | |
| Denver Art Museum | Oasis Crisis Intervention Center | |
| Denver Rescue Mission | Opera-Matic | |
| Digital Promise Global | Opportunity International | |
| District Office of Congressman Peter J. Roskam | Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary | |
| Ethiopian Community Development Council, Inc. | Paz y Esperanza | |
| Federal Maritime Commission | People's Resource Center | |
| Forest Foundation | Pioneers | |
| Gift of Hope Organ and Tissue Donor Network | Prudential Financial | |
| GM PowerTrain Uzbekistan | PwC | |
| Greater Europe Mission | San Diego Padres | |
| | Shirley Hamilton Talent Agency | |
| | Sight & Sound Theatres | |