EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY · MAY 2018 GRADUATES PURDUE AGRICULTURE



545 STUDENTS GRADUATED MAY 2018

97% EMPLOYED OR CONTINUING THEIR EDUCATION

\$45,570 BEGINNING AVERAGE SALARY

- Purdue University's College of Agriculture awarded bachelor's degrees to 545 students in May 2018.
 Eight students earned two degrees.
- Ninety-seven percent of reporting graduates stated they were employed or continuing their education as of January 2019.
- Of those employed, 207 graduates work in Indiana.
- ► Of the 146 students continuing their education, 66 are enrolled in Indiana schools.



Table 1. Post-graduation activities of May 2014–2018 graduates, College of Agriculture, Purdue University

| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|
| May Graduates Number of Graduates | 501 | 512 | 487 | 502 | 545 |
| Percent Reporting Activities | 93% | 98% | 99% | 98% | 98% |
| Post-graduation Activities Employed | 69% | 71% | 73% | 72% | 69% |
| Employed: Internships | 5% | 3% | 2% | 1% | 1% |
| Continuing Education | 22% | 21% | 20% | 24% | 27% |
| Not Seeking Employment | 2% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% |
| Seeking Employment | 2% | 2% | 3% | 1% | 2% |
| Seeking Further Education | 0% | 2% | 1% | 1% | 0% |



Table 2. Educational program enrollment of May 2014–2018 graduates, College of Agriculture, Purdue University

| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|----------------------------|------|------|-------|------|------|
| Number in Graduate Schools | 13% | 17% | 11.8% | 12% | 17% |
| Professional Schools | 8% | 3% | 8% | 11% | 9% |
| Undergraduate Programs | 1% | 1% | .2% | 1% | 1% |
| TOTAL | 22% | 21% | 20% | 24% | 27% |

Table 3. May 2018 graduates' reported average beginning salary, College of Agriculture, Purdue University

| All Programs | . \$45,570 |
|---|------------|
| Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences (NRES) | \$34,273 |
| Horticulture and Landscape Architecture (HLA) | \$42,951 |
| Forestry and Natural Resources (FNR) | . \$29,562 |
| Food Science (FS) | . \$53,439 |
| Entomology (ENTM) | * |
| Botany and Plant Pathology (BTNY) | \$32,921 |
| Biochemistry (BCHM) | \$47,920 |
| Animal Sciences (ANSC) | . \$36,782 |
| Agronomy (AGRY) | . \$46,192 |
| Agricultural Education (ASEC) | \$38,542 |
| Agricultural Communication (ASEC) | . \$50,188 |
| Agricultural Economics (AGEC) | . \$46,685 |
| Agricultural Systems Management (ABE) | . \$50,516 |
| Agricultural and Biological Engineering (ABE) | . \$61,213 |

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Data provided by Purdue University College of Agriculture May 2018 graduates, Purdue University College of Agriculture Departmental Career Services Coordinators, and the College of Agriculture Office of Academic Programs Career Services Coordinator. The Purdue University Center for Career Opportunities provided the postgraduate survey.

*Departments with five or fewer students reporting a salary were not included to protect the confidential information of these students.

The average salary for all programs includes the salaries from all departments.

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