

University of Colorado Colorado Springs

2020 Alumni Survey Results

College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences

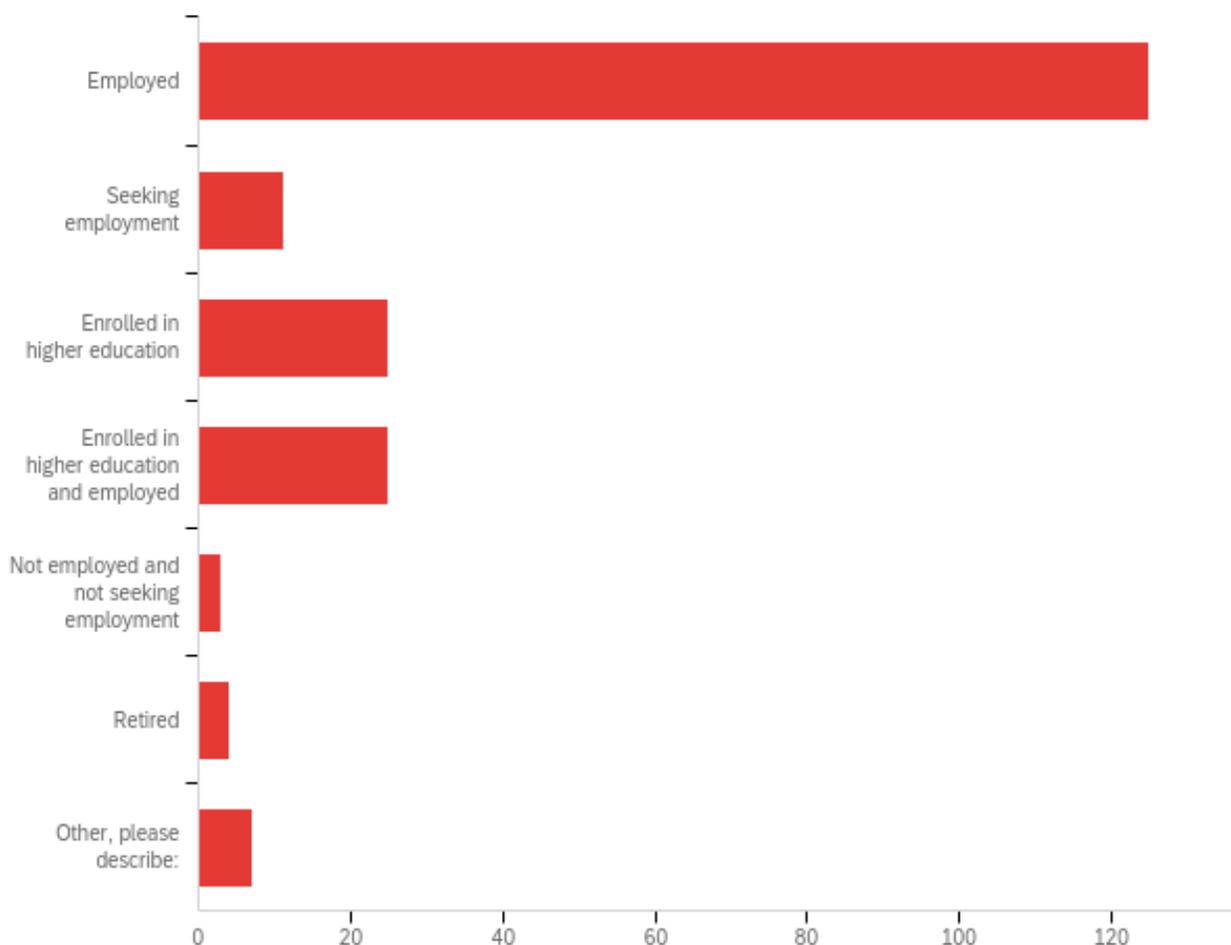
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2020 Alumni Survey Results, College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences

This is a report of selected frequency tables drawn from our 2020 Alumni Survey; it is a subset of the respondents who earned undergraduate degrees from the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences in 2010, 2015, or 2019. Over 1,900 alumni were surveyed and 200 responded for a response rate of 10.5%. All responses to open-ended questions are presented as written by alumni and have not been edited. Please contact the Office of Institutional Research for more detailed analyses or results.

Please mark the status that best fits your situation today.



Please mark the status that best fits your situation today.	%	Count
Seeking employment	5.50%	11
Retired	2.00%	4
Other, please describe:	3.50%	7
Not employed and not seeking employment	1.50%	3
Enrolled in higher education and employed	12.50%	25
Enrolled in higher education	12.50%	25
Employed	62.50%	125
Total	100%	200

Other, please describe: (open-ended responses)

Home based contracted bookkeeper

Enrolled in Higher education and seeking employment

Waiting on Gov. Polis to allow my business sector to open.

Working part-time, kind of, while waiting to start a job overseas

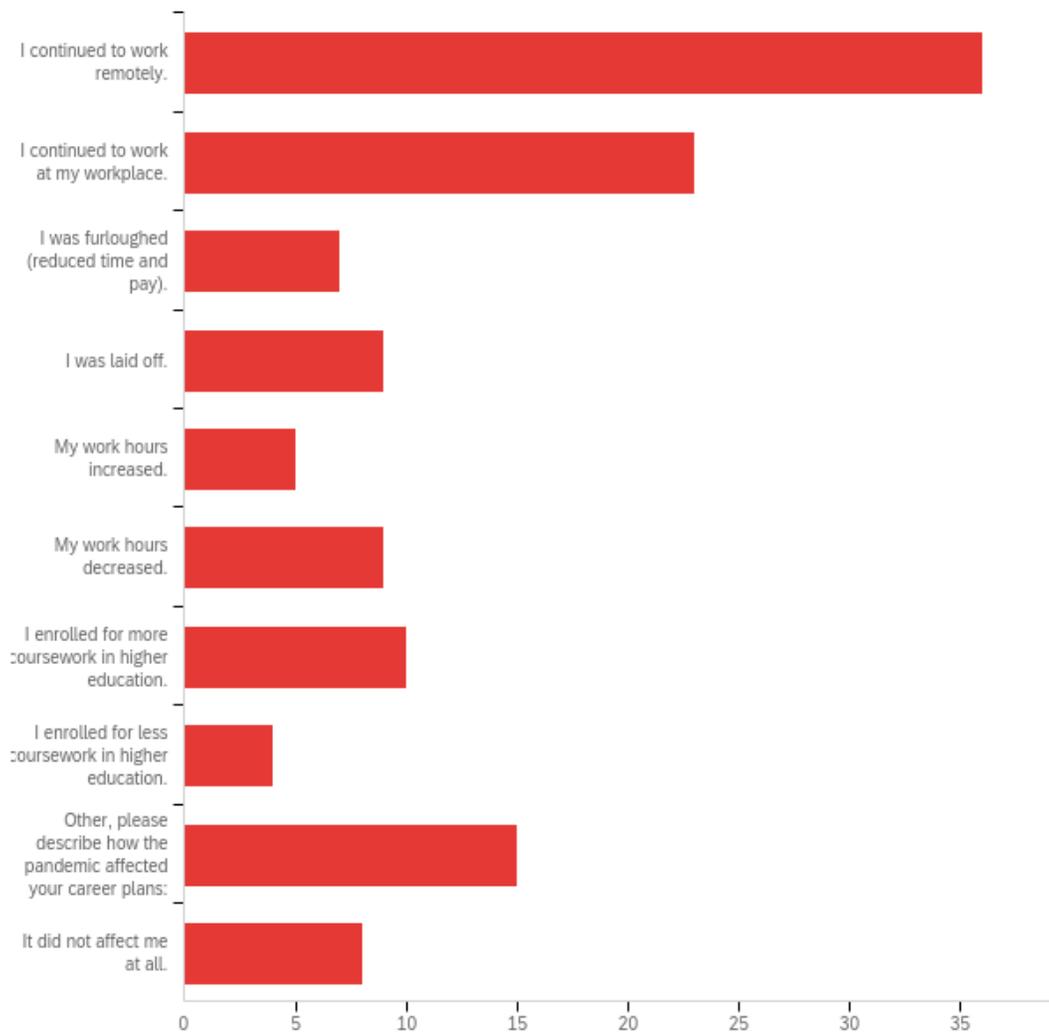
Stay-at-home caregiving

Freelance filmmaker

Enrolled in high education and working as a student researcher

How has the COVID-19 pandemic affected your employment status or education plans?

Please mark all that apply.



October 5th, 2020

How has the COVID-19 pandemic affected your employment status or education plans?	%	Count
Other, please describe how the pandemic affected your career plans:	11.90%	15
My work hours increased.	3.97%	5
My work hours decreased.	7.14%	9
I was laid off.	7.14%	9
I was furloughed (reduced time and pay).	5.56%	7
It did not affect me at all.	6.35%	8
I enrolled for more coursework in higher education.	7.94%	10
I enrolled for less coursework in higher education.	3.17%	4
I continued to work remotely.	28.57%	36
I continued to work at my workplace.	18.25%	23
Total	100%	126

Please describe how the pandemic affected your career plans (open-ended responses):

I am affected as a parent, and the school situation .

Was laid off from my on campus job then went and found a new job

It's delayed me looking into grad school - I refuse to do a graduate degree entirely remotely.

They're been threatening furloughs since March

Yes. I found out I have an autoimmune disease and I am at such a high risk, my doctors don't want me to work.

Taking a break from school until I'm better.

handicap to get hired after long term recovery of a work related accident

Higher education and certification to get going in a career is still on hold. I'm currently still working retail.

I went from working in the office to working at home

mix of onsite and remote work; some increased duties (but not pay)

I have put off grad school since I could not take my MCAT

COVID-19 stopped me from getting a job the first few months after graduation.

On unemployment until my business sector is opened by the governor.

The pandemic halted my research abroad plans, forcing me to alter my graduate program.

It's been difficult to try to move overseas. I've been in a weird limbo the last few months.

I was able to graduate from grad school and find a job amidst the pandemic.

Could you provide more detail about your current or most recent job?

This info can help UCCS develop partnerships in the community and beyond.

Job title:	Company/Organization:	City & State:	Website, if applicable:
research assistant	jila	boulder, CO	
Center Manager	USO	Yokosuka Navy Base, Japan	Japan.uso.org
Waitress Manager	Restaurant	Woodland Park, CO	
Specialty	Whole Foods Market	Westminster, CO	https://wholefoodsmarket.com/
Business Analyst	Farmer Mac	Washington DC	https://www.farmermac.com/
Analyst	National Grid	Waltham, Massachusetts	Nationalgrid.com
MD		WV	
Medical Laboratory Technician	Centura Health	Ulysses KS	
Property Manager	self	Tempe, AZ	
Technical Analyst associate	Trizetto Provider Solutions	St. Louis, MO	
Emergency Medicine Physician	United States Air Force	San Antonio, TX	
Program Director	Sentinels of Freedom Scholarship Foundation	Sam Ramon, CA	www.sentinelsoffreedom.org
Paramedic	Chaffee County	Salida, CO	
Research Analyst	California Highway Patrol	Sacramento, CA	
Cartographer	USGS	Rolla Missouri	Usgs.gov
GIS Analyst	City of Redding	Redding, CA	
Drafter		Pueblo West, CO	
Dentist	Matt A. Philson DDS PC	Pueblo CO	Philsondental.org
Lab Director	Hemplucid	Provo, UT	Www.hemplucid.com
Artist & Art Therapist	Self employed	Oregon	
Auto tech	Walmart	Ocala FL	
Medicaid Coordinator	Self Employed	Nebraska, CO	
Artist		Monument, CO	
Teacher	Lewis-Palmer Middle School	Monument CO	
Senior LDRP Associate	Medtronic	Minneapolis, MN	
Proposal coordinator	OST, Inc.	McLean, VA	www.ostglobal.com
Chemist	Mammoth distribution	Mammoth Lakes, CA	
Associate Research Specialist	Univ of Wisconsin-Madison	Madison, WI	
Marketing Ambassador	Native Eyewear	Los Angeles, CA	
Closing Agent	WACO Title Company	Little Rock, AR	Www.wacotitle.com
Land Law Examiner	Bureau of Land Management	Lakewood, CO	
Fire & Theft Claims Representative	Trader's Insurance	Kansas City, MO	www.tradersauto.com
Student Midwife and	Youth with a Mission, The	Kailua -Kona, HI	

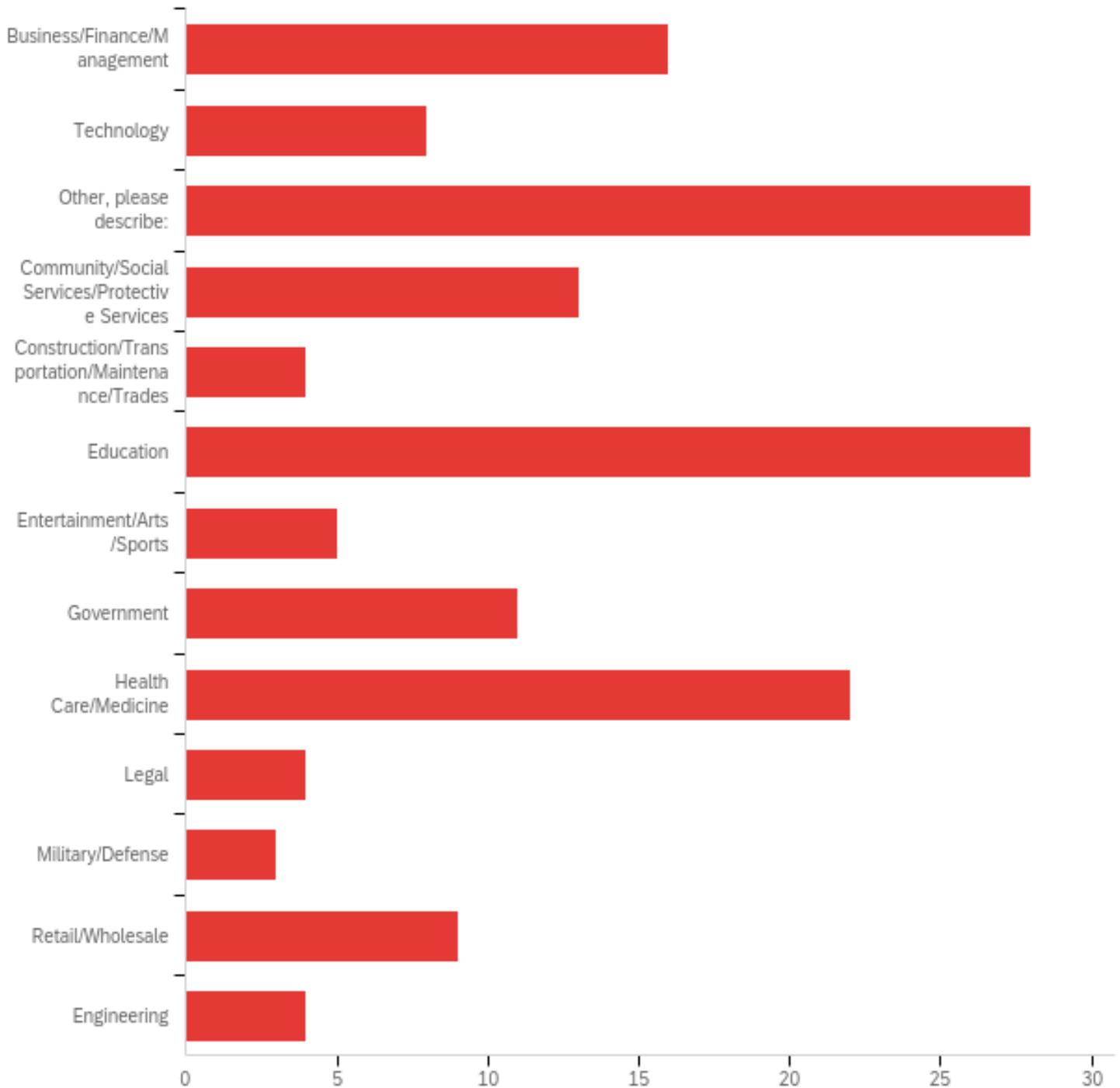
director of community assessment for the local pregnancy center	Pregnancy Center of Kailua - Kona		
Microcomputer/Network Technician	State of Alaska	Juneau, AK	www.alaska.gov
Retail Manager	Target	Jacksonville, FL	
Program Manager	Jacksonville Children's Chorus	Jacksonville FL	Jaxchildrenschorus.org
Consultant	Carnrite Group	Houston, TX	https://carnritegroup.com/
Attorney	Pennsylvania Treasury	Harrisburg PA	
Pharmacy technician	Walgreens	Greeley, CO	
Conservative & Sustainability Manager	City of Fountain	Fountain, CO	www.fountainutilities.org
Research Assistant	Colorado State University	Fort Collins, CO	
Graduate Research Assistant	Colorado State University	Fort Collins, CO	https://vetmedbiosci.colostate.edu/bms/member/?id=37224
Maintenance Worker	National Park Service	Florissant, CO	nps.gov/flfo
Clinical Counselor	Catholic Charities	Fayetteville, Nc	
Substitute Teacher	District 49	Falcon CO	D49.org
Regulatory Specialist	Teledyne Monitor Labs	Englewood, CO	
EAP Coordinator	Optum	Eden Prarie, MN	Liveandworkwell.com
Academic Advisor	Fort Lewis College	Durango, CO	fortlewis.edu
Security officer	Securitas	Denver. Colorado	
Legal Assistant	Vinci Law Office, LLC	Denver, CO	
Behavioral Health Counselor	Eating Recovery Center	Denver, Colorado	Eatingrecoverycenter.com
Sr Lecturer	UCD	Denver, CO	
Fraud Claims Investigator	Denver Human Services	Denver, CO	Denvergov.org/humanservices
Anti-Money Laundering Analyst	IBM	Denver, CO	
Law firm administrator	The advocates	Denver Colorado	Theadvocates.com
Driver	Uber	Denver	
Learning Delivery Specialist	Farmers Insurance	Dallas, TX	
Physical therapy tech	Synergy manual physical therapy	Colorado Springs, CO	Synergympt.com
academic advisor	ppcc	Colorado Springs, CO	ppcc.edu
Sales associate	Floor trader	Colorado Springs, CO	
Photographer	Trademarc	Colorado Springs, CO	trademarc.org
Staffing coordinator	Ventura health	Colorado Springs, CO	
Assistant Director of Admissions	University of Colorado Colorado Springs	Colorado Springs, CO	www.uccs.edu
Management Associate	Enterprise rent-a-car	Colorado Springs, CO	
Associate	Wal-Mart	Colorado Springs, CO	
Pretrial Services Specialist	El Paso County	Colorado Springs, CO	

Administrative Assistant III	UCCS	Colorado Springs, CO	uccs.edu/eas
Government Affairs Specialist	Colorado Springs Utilities	Colorado Springs, CO	CSU.org
Associate Broker	Kenney & Company	Colorado Springs, CO	
Teacher	District 49	Colorado Springs, CO	
VillaKids Associate	Villasport Athletic club & spa	Colorado Springs, CO	
Water Distribution Operator	Colorado Springs utilities	Colorado Springs, CO	CSU.org
Overnight stocker	King Soopers	Colorado Springs, CO	
Assistant Director of Development	UCCS	Colorado Springs, CO	
Senior Project Manager	Rocky Mountain ADA Center	Colorado Springs, CO	Www.rockymountainada.org
Gallery Preparator & Events Director	Galleries of Contemporary Art	Colorado Springs, CO	www.galleryuccs.org
Chemistry Instructor	United States Air Force Academy	Colorado Springs, CO	N/A
Assistant Director of First-Year Rhetoric and Writing	UCCS	Colorado Springs, CO	https://www.uccs.edu/english/
Clinical Supervisor	Aspen Pointe	Colorado Springs, CO	
Operations Associate	JPMorgan Chase	Colorado Springs, CO	JPMorganChase.com
Dishwasher	Great Wolf Lodge	Colorado Springs, CO	
Senior Librarian	Pikes Peak Library District	Colorado Springs, CO	ppld.org
Business Management Analyst	Northrop Grumman	Colorado Springs, CO	
Lecturer	UCCS	Colorado Springs, CO	
Financial Aid Advisor	UCCS Office of Financial Aid	Colorado Springs, CO	www.uccs.edu/finaid
Counter Representative	Pikes Peak Community College	Colorado Springs, CO	
Registered Behavior Technician	Bright Behavior Inc	Colorado Springs, CO	
Project Manager	CCB	Colorado Springs, CO	
Instructional Support Specialist	Harrison School District 2	Colorado Springs, CO	Www.hsd2.org
Behavior Therapist	Family Support Center	Colorado Springs, CO	
Lidar Technician II	Sanborn	Colorado Springs, CO	www.sanborn.com
Online Grocery Picker	Walmart	Colorado Springs, CO	
residence hall manager	UCCS	Colorado Springs, CO	
eComm Marketing Assistant	UCCS	Colorado Springs, CO	www.uccs.edu
Operations Manager	Axis	Colorado Springs, CO	https://axis.org/
Editor	Exemplary Editing	Colorado Springs, CO	https://exemplaryediting.com/
Administration assistant	Metro mobility	Colorado Springs, CO	
Therapist	Achieve whole recovery	Colorado Springs, CO	
Desk Agent	Doubletree hotel	Colorado Springs, CO	Doubletreecoloradosprings.com

Technical advisor	Apple	Colorado Springs, CO	
cataloging assistant	Kraemer family Library	Colorado Springs, CO	
CNA	Penrose Hosptial	Colorado Springs, CO	
Tax compliance supervisor	El Paso county	Colorado Springs, CO	
Claims Adjuster	California Casualty Insurance	Colorado Springs CO	
Social Media Strategist	English with Dan	Colorado Springs, CO	
Program Assistant 1	UCCS	Colorado Springs, CO	
Behavior Specialist/instructor	Roundup School	Colorado Springs, CO	
Lecturer	UCCS	Colorado Springs, CO	uccs.edu
Lead Case Manager	Silver Key Senior Services	Colorado Springs, CO	www.silverkey.org
Project Management	Mahler GC	Colorado Springs, CO	
IT Supervisor	US Census	Colorado Springs, CO	
Membership Services Consultant	The Y	Colorado Springs, CO	
Custodian	C&W Services	Colorado Springs, CO	
Deli Clerk	Safeway	Colorado Springs, CO	
Office Administrator	a church (I'd rather not be more specific)	Colorado Springs, CO	
Project Manager	Air Force	Colorado Springs, CO	
Tutor		Colorado	
Professional Research Assistant		Colorado	
Research Assistant	UNC Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill, NC	
Assistant Professor	University of North Carolina	Chapel Hill	http://jomc.unc.edu/directory/faculty/adam-j-saffer
Systems Engineer	SAIC	Chantilly, VA	
Patient Experience Program Manager	Castle Rock Adventist Hospital	Castle Rock, Co	www.castlerockadventist.org
Director	Silver key	COlorado springs co	
Children's Ministry Director	New Life Church	COS	newlifechurch.org
LIFE COACH	GLOBAL EDUCATION	COLORADO SPRINGS	WWW.GLOBALED.ONE
Physician assistant	Independent contractor	Bozeman, Montana	
Teacher	Boulder Day Nursery	Boulder CO	Bdnschool.org
Leadership Portfolio Director	Workday	Austin, TX	Workday.com
Professional Research Assistant	CU Anschutz	Aurora, CO	
Graduate student instructor	University of Michigan	Ann Arbor, Michigan	
Writer	UNM	Albuquerque, NM	

Which of the following occupational categories is the best fit for your current (or most recent) job?

These categories are based on the Standard Occupational Classification System.



Which of the following occupational categories is the best fit for your current job?	%	Count
Technology	5.16%	8
Retail/Wholesale	5.81%	9
Other, please describe:	18.06%	28
Military/Defense	1.94%	3
Legal	2.58%	4
Health Care/Medicine	14.19%	22
Government	7.10%	11
Entertainment/Arts/Sports	3.23%	5
Engineering	2.58%	4
Education	18.06%	28
Construction/Transportation/Maintenance/Trades	2.58%	4
Community/Social Services/Protective Services	8.39%	13
Business/Finance/Management	10.32%	16
Total	100%	155

Other, please describe:

Non-profit, serving military veterans pursuing higher education

Library

Service/sales

Office and administrative support

Non-profit/church

Assistant at Research Library

Food Service

Research

Food/dietary supplement manufacturing

Health Sciences

Real Estate

Customer Service/Food Industry

Extraction

Oil & Gas

Childcare

Science/Research

Hospitality

Real Estate/ Title Insurance

Custodial

Nonprofit, arts and education

Scientific research

Nonprofit/development

Marketing/Communications in Higher Education

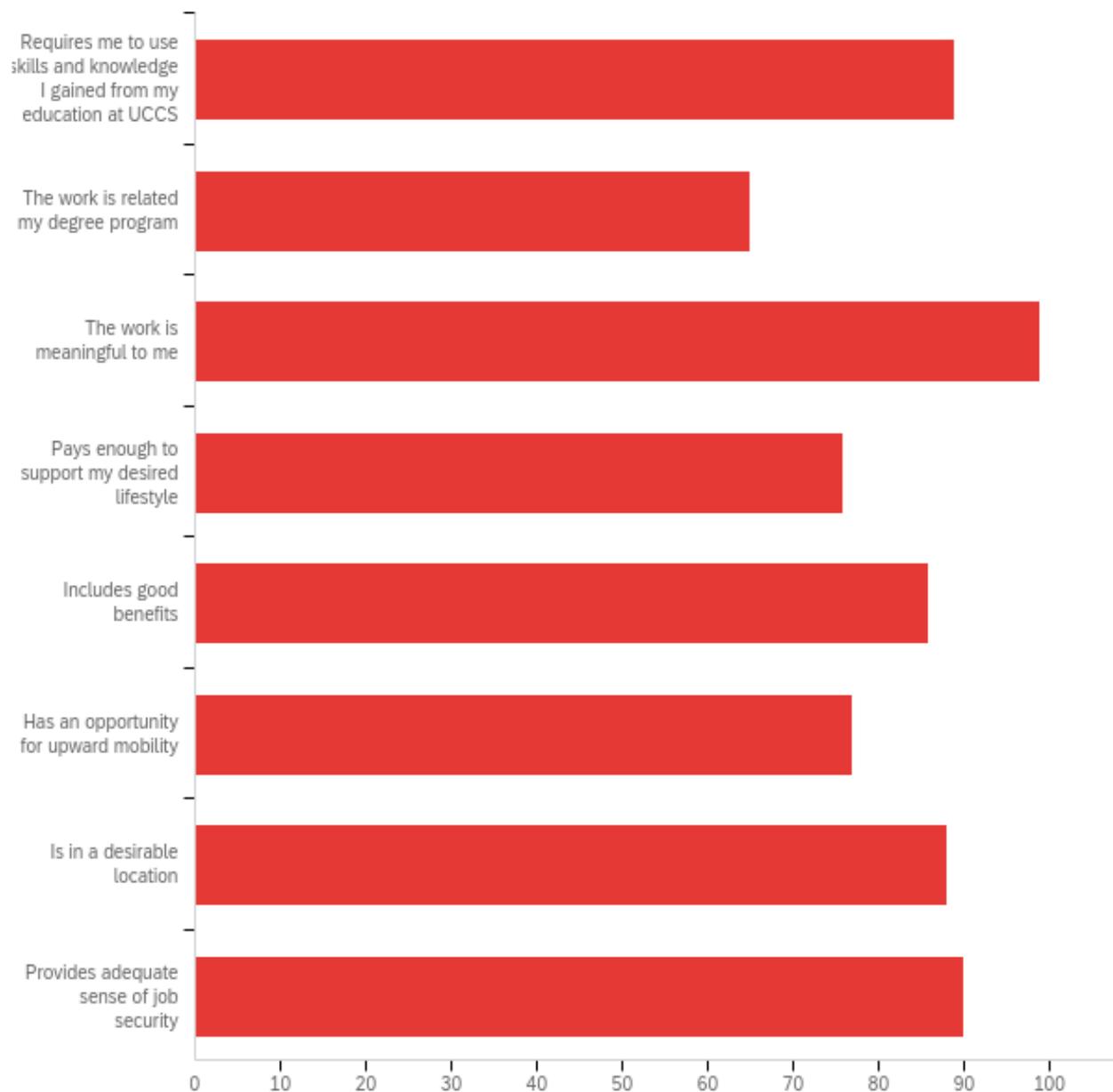
Insurance

imaging research

community mental health

Research

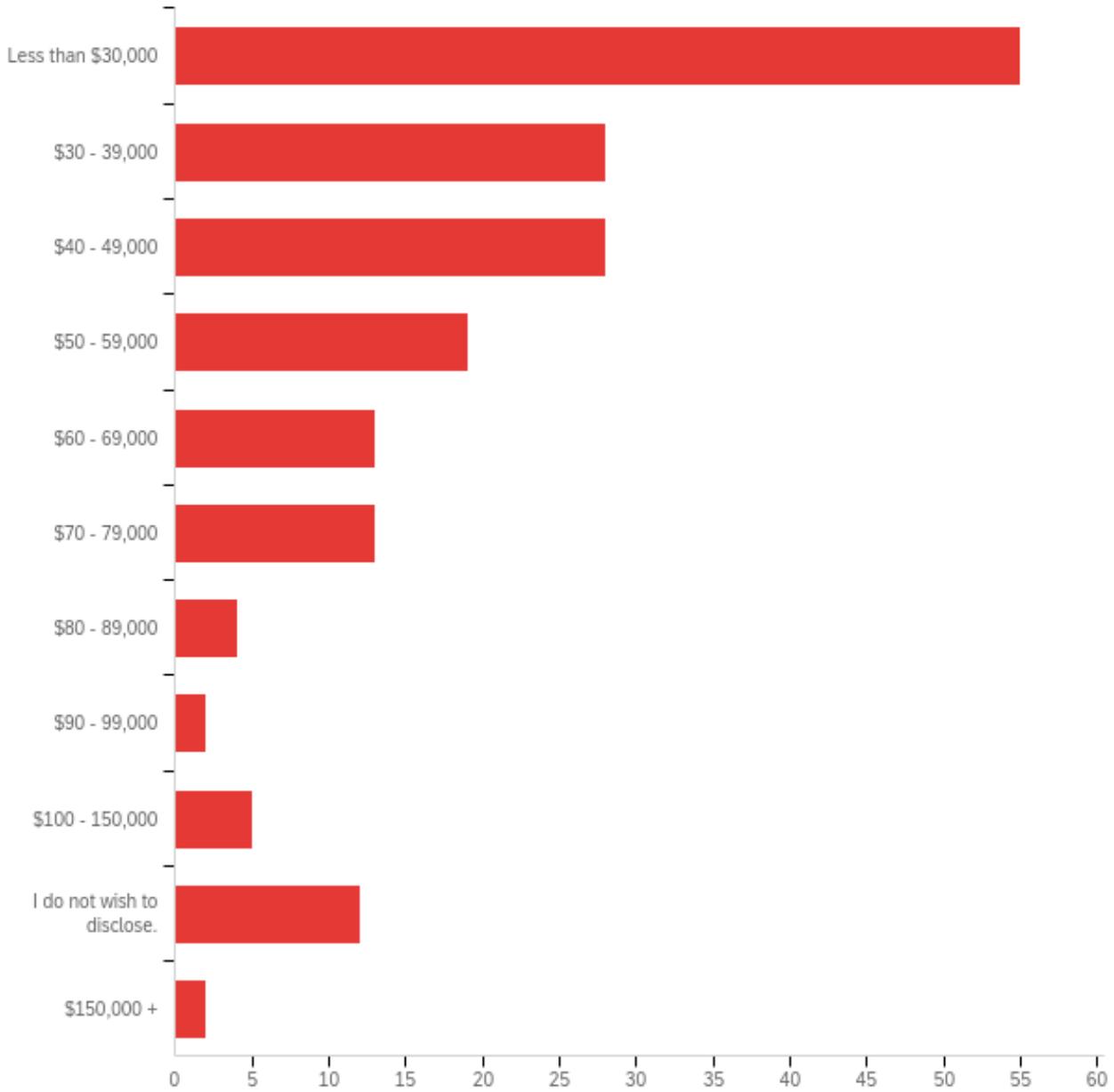
Please indicate if the following statements apply to your current (or most recent) job.



Please indicate if the following statements apply to your current (or most recent) job.	%	Count
The work is related to my degree program	9.70%	65
The work is meaningful to me	14.78%	99
Requires me to use skills and knowledge I gained from my education at UCCS	13.28%	89
Provides adequate sense of job security	13.43%	90
Pays enough to support my desired lifestyle	11.34%	76
Is in a desirable location	13.13%	88
Includes good benefits	12.84%	86
Has an opportunity for upward mobility	11.49%	77
Total	100%	670

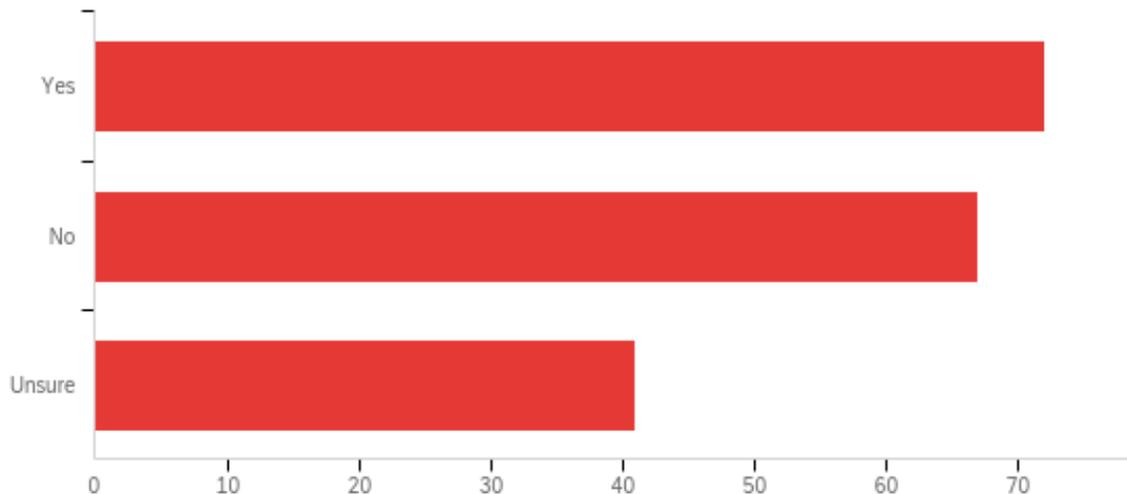
Please estimate your current annual salary.

Note: adjust your estimate to reflect the salary as if you are working 100% time. For example, if you are earning 25k and working 50% time, then your annual estimate should be 50k.



Please estimate your current annual salary	%	Count
Less than \$30,000	30.39%	55
I do not wish to disclose.	6.63%	12
\$100 - 150,000	2.76%	5
\$90 - 99,000	1.10%	2
\$80 - 89,000	2.21%	4
\$70 - 79,000	7.18%	13
\$60 - 69,000	7.18%	13
\$50 - 59,000	10.50%	19
\$40 - 49,000	15.47%	28
\$30 - 39,000	15.47%	28
\$150,000 +	1.10%	2
Total	100%	181

Did your degree enhance your salary?

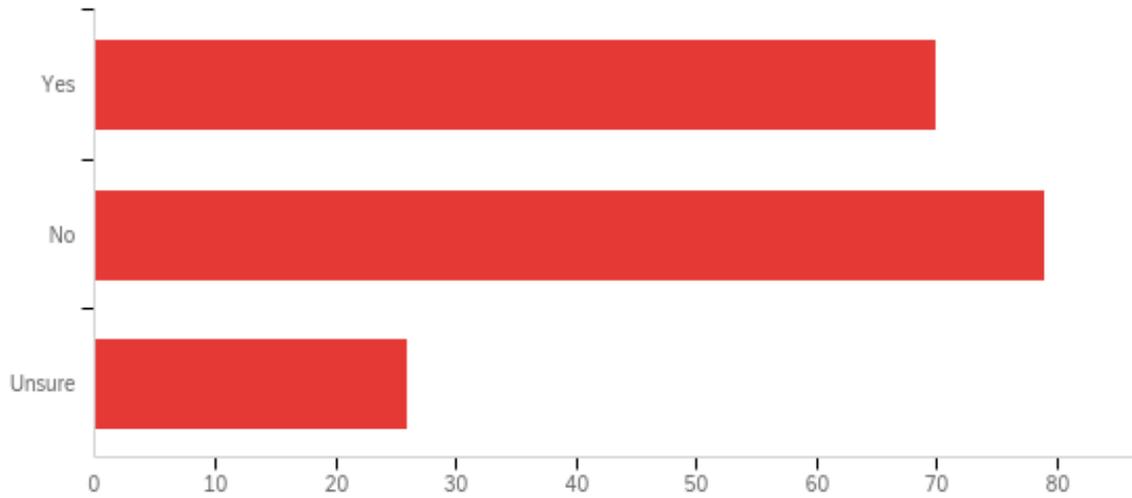


Did your degree enhance your salary?	%	Count
Yes	40.00%	72
No	37.22%	67
Unsure	22.78%	41
Total	100%	180

Please estimate in dollars how much you think your degree enhanced your annual salary.

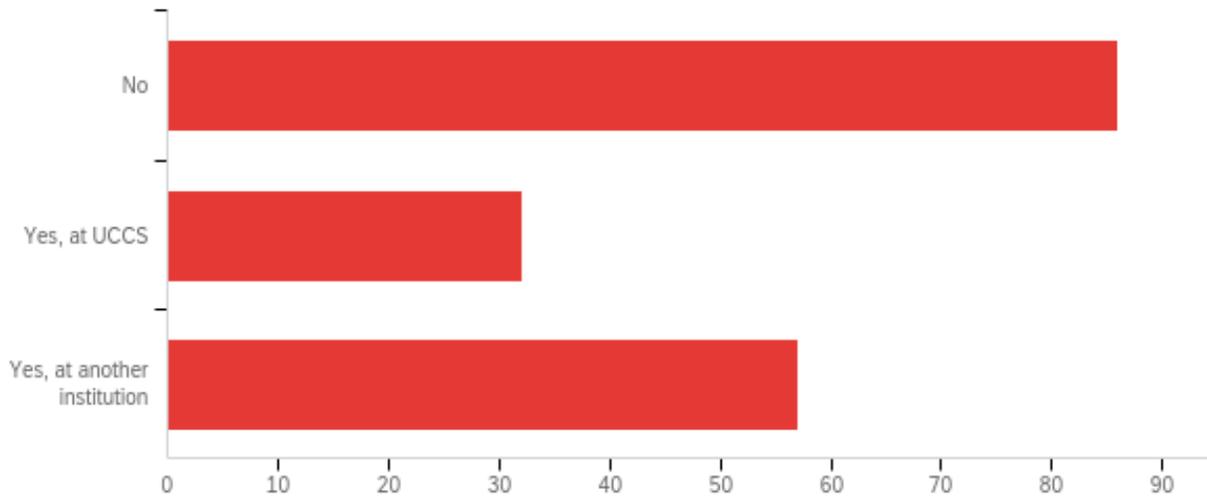
Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
Please estimate in dollars how much you think your degree enhanced your annual salary.	0.00	100000.00	15507.75	16640.44	276904189.29	71

Did your degree help you advance or be promoted within your career?



Did your degree help you advance or be promoted within your career?	%	Count
Yes	40.00%	70
Unsure	14.86%	26
No	45.14%	79
Total	100%	175

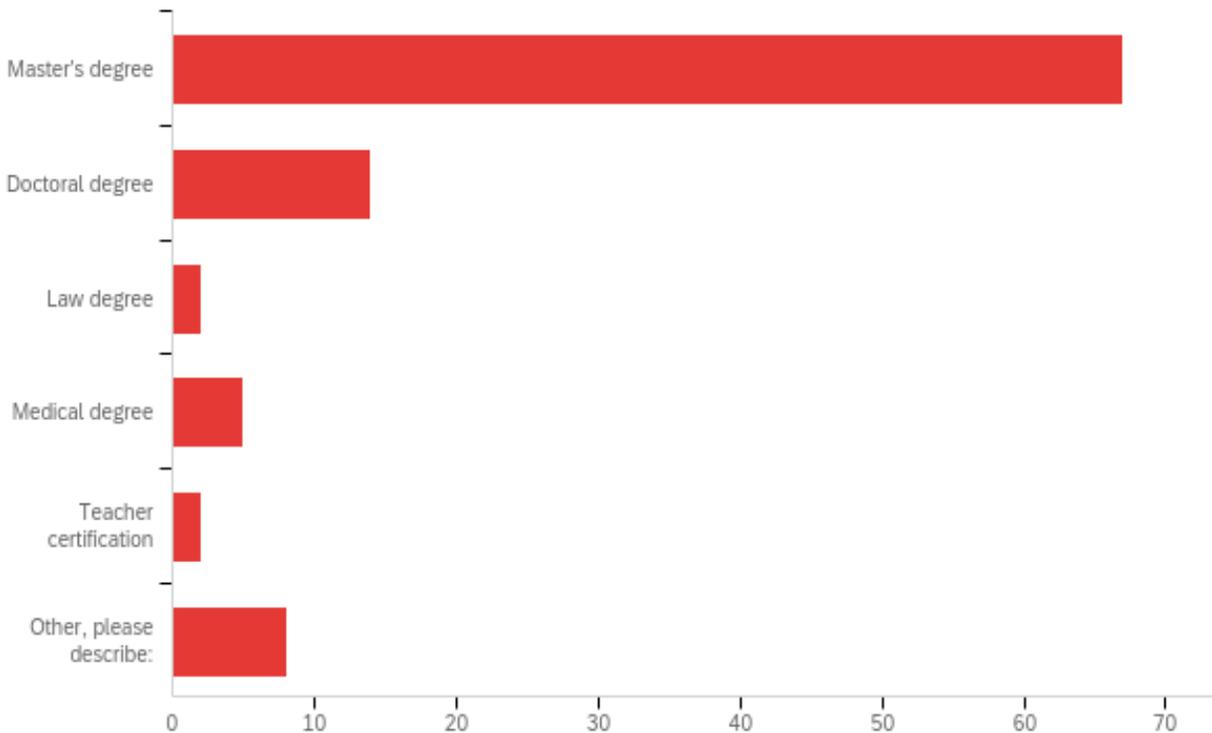
Have you enrolled in another degree/certificate program after graduating from UCCS?



Have you enrolled in another degree/certificate program after graduating from UCCS?	%	Count
Yes, at another institution	32.57%	57
Yes, at UCCS	18.29%	32
No	49.14%	86
Total	100%	175

What type of degree/certificate program did you pursue?

Check all that apply.



What type of degree/certificate program did you pursue?	%	Count
Teacher certification	2.04%	2
Other, please describe:	8.16%	8
Medical degree	5.10%	5
Master's degree	68.37%	67
Law degree	2.04%	2
Doctoral degree	14.29%	14
Total	100%	98

Other, please describe (open-ended responses):

CPM, Licensed Midwife Program

Certification

Online Certificate Program

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Currently applying to doctoral programs in Denver

Applied Science MLT degree

Technical certifications

Bachelor's

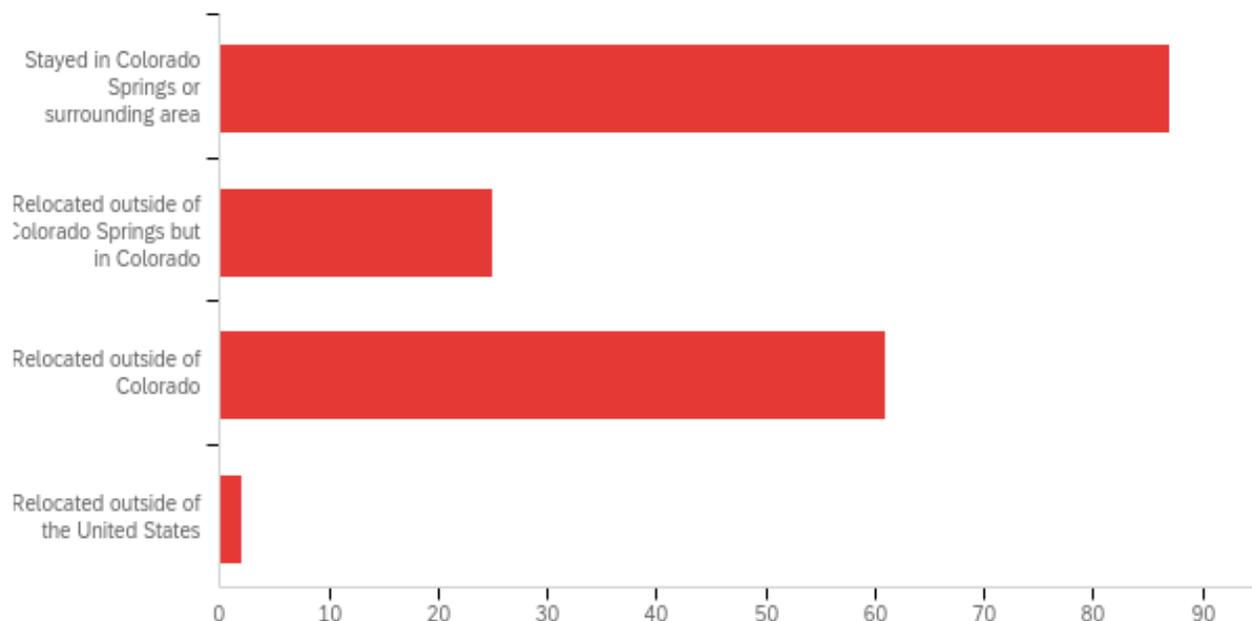
Where did you pursue another degree?

(or where are you attending now)?

<i>Name of institution:</i>	<i>Location (state):</i>	<i>Area of study:</i>
Capella university	MN	Counseling
University of Denver	CO	Library and Information Sciences
University of Northern Colorado	Colorado	Biomedical Sciences
University of North Dakota	North Dakota	Forensic Psychology
National College of Midwifery	Distance learning - HI	Midwifery/Women's Health
Penn State	PA	Homeland security
Rocky mountain college	Montana	Physician assistant studies
PPCC	Colorado Springs	Paramedicine
University of Edinburgh	Scotland	Evolutionary Genetics
CU	CO	MD
Central Michigan University	MI	MSA
Michigan State University	Lansing, MI	GIS
Creighton	Nebraska	Dentistry
Grand canyon University	Phoenix, AZ	Elementary education
Regent University	Virginia	TV production
Colorado State University	Colorado	Biomedical Sciences
Austin Peay State University	TN	Industrial and Organizational Psychology
University of Minnesota Twin Cities	MN	Master of Business Administration
University of Missouri	Columbia Missouri	Geography
San Jose State university	California (online)	Library and Information Science
University of Washington	Washington	Molecular and Cellular Biology

Stony Brook University	New York	Philosophy
UC San Diego	CA	MD and PhD
Uniformed Services University	MD	Medicine
University of Arizona	Arizona	Social Psychology
University of Denver	Colorado	Natural Resource Management
Naropa University	Colorado	Transpersonal Counseling Psychology & Art Therapy
CU Denver	Colorado	Anesthesia
Rochester Institute of Technology	New York	Screenwriting
Seward County Community College	KS	Med lab tech
University of Oklahom	Norman	Strategic Communication
University of Colorado Denver	Denver, CO	Rhetoric and Writing
William and Mary Law School	Virginia	Law
Arizona State Unviversity	Arizona	Special Education ABA
Penn State Dickinson Law	Carlisle PA	Law
South University	GA	Masters of Physician Assistant
Arizona State University	Arizona	Education
Cu anschutz	CO	MPH
University of San Diego	California	Counseling
Chicago Community College	Il	
Temple University	PA	History
Newman University	Colorado	Social Work
University of Wisconsin Madison	Wisconsin	Endocrinology and Reproductive Physiology
Ashford University	Vermont	Organizational Management
Washington University in St louis	MO	OT
Grand Rapids Theological Seminary	Michigan	Religion
CU Denver	Colorado	Curriculum and Instruction
Central washington Unviersity	Washington	Geology
CSU Pueblo	Colorado	English
Colorado Technical University	Colorado	MBA
Liberty University	Virginia	Counselor
CSU	Colorado	Neuroscience
Barry university	Florida	Physician assistant
University of Denver	Denver, CO	Communication Management
University of Michigan	Michigan	Molecular, cellular, and developmental biology
cu boulder	co	physics
TBD		

Did you relocate after or since earning your UCCS degree?



Did you relocate after or since earning your UCCS degree?	%	Count
Stayed in Colorado Springs or surrounding area	49.71%	87
Relocated outside of the United States	1.14%	2
Relocated outside of Colorado Springs but in Colorado	14.29%	25
Relocated outside of Colorado	34.86%	61
Total	100%	175

What prompted you to relocate? (open-ended responses)

Visited Texas and decided to stay for a while.

Family

School

Work

Better job opportunities.

I had lived in Colorado Springs since high school and went to UCCS because I couldn't afford to live away from my family (I was fortunate that such a great university was close and accessible!!). My goal after I graduated was to move to another city.

My Wife took a new job here in Denver

My work, medical missions work abroad as well.

Job

Grad school

My wife got a job in California.

A position opened in our office that was based in Denver

Rural living

Job

European hiatus post graduation

Wanted to live on the East Coast - near places close to my area of history studies.

Schooling

My husband's military orders

I moved to Rhode Island for my finances family, got a job with the State of Rhode Island as a legislative fiscal analyst - and it was the job that crushed my dreams for everything I wanted from my degree. Eventually moved back to COS and am Now with my current position with the County, which was my old office that I LEFT when I moved to Rhode Island.

Return to home town

Job

Did not have a job upon graduation so had to move back home

Closer to PhD institution

Better opportunity within company

My family is in Minnesota, I grew up there, and better work opportunities.

Job location

Postbac opportunity at the NIH in Bethesda MD.

job and then more school

Finding a place to live

Unable to find a job that paid a living wage in Colorado.

The military

I got the job!

Graduate School

More opportunity in Denver and Aurora area

Ocean, more affordable housing

Graduate School

Better Job

The degree and funding for my doctorate.

Law school

Family

Opportunity

Health issues

Spouse

Spouse

Graduate School

Job opportunities

Acceptance into a PhD program

Financials and Job Opportunity

Masters degree

Spouse got a job offer

Job offer

Job opportunity

Location of Graduate School

Cost of living in Colorado was too high.

A new adventure in a new location

Beach

Family

Marriage

Husband job

Work

My family lives in the boulder area and I can't afford to live on my own right now.

Went back to hometown near family, when having children

Full time job opportunity

Job market

Marriage

Husband got a job in a new city

School

Family

Starting my master's degree

the climate

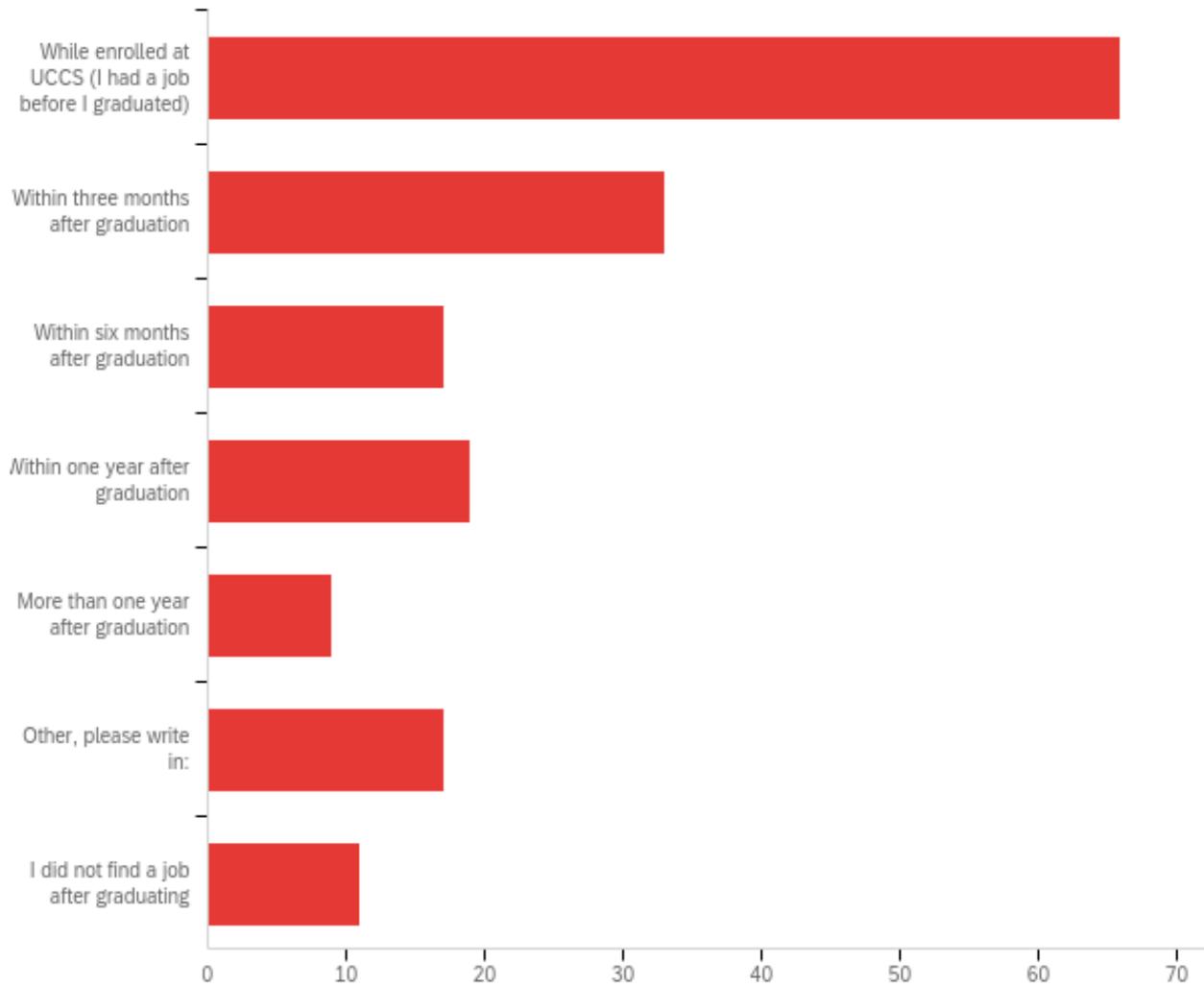
Career Opportunities

degree program

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I wanted to work in academic research but there aren't paid positions for that in Colorado Springs.

When did you get your first job after graduating from UCCS?



When did you get your first job after graduating from UCCS?	%	Count
Within three months after graduation	19.19%	33
Within six months after graduation	9.88%	17
Within one year after graduation	11.05%	19
While enrolled at UCCS (I had a job before I graduated)	38.37%	66
Other, please write in:	9.88%	17
More than one year after graduation	5.23%	9
I did not find a job after graduating	6.40%	11
Total	100%	172

Other, please write in (open-ended responses):

Networking has increased

I have been working since I was fifteen.

Already employed prior

continued working in the same position I had before enrolling at UCCS

Work FT while in school and after graduation

After paramedic school

I am an older student who simply wanted to finish my degree I started and worked at for many years. I work as a volunteer in history libraries.

was employed during degree program

Went directly to medical school

Six Months

I am not working because I am in law school

After Law School

Working a Job to get into Masters program

I did not pursue a job, as I was accepted into another educational program

still enrolled at UCCS for PhD after Masters

Went to graduate school

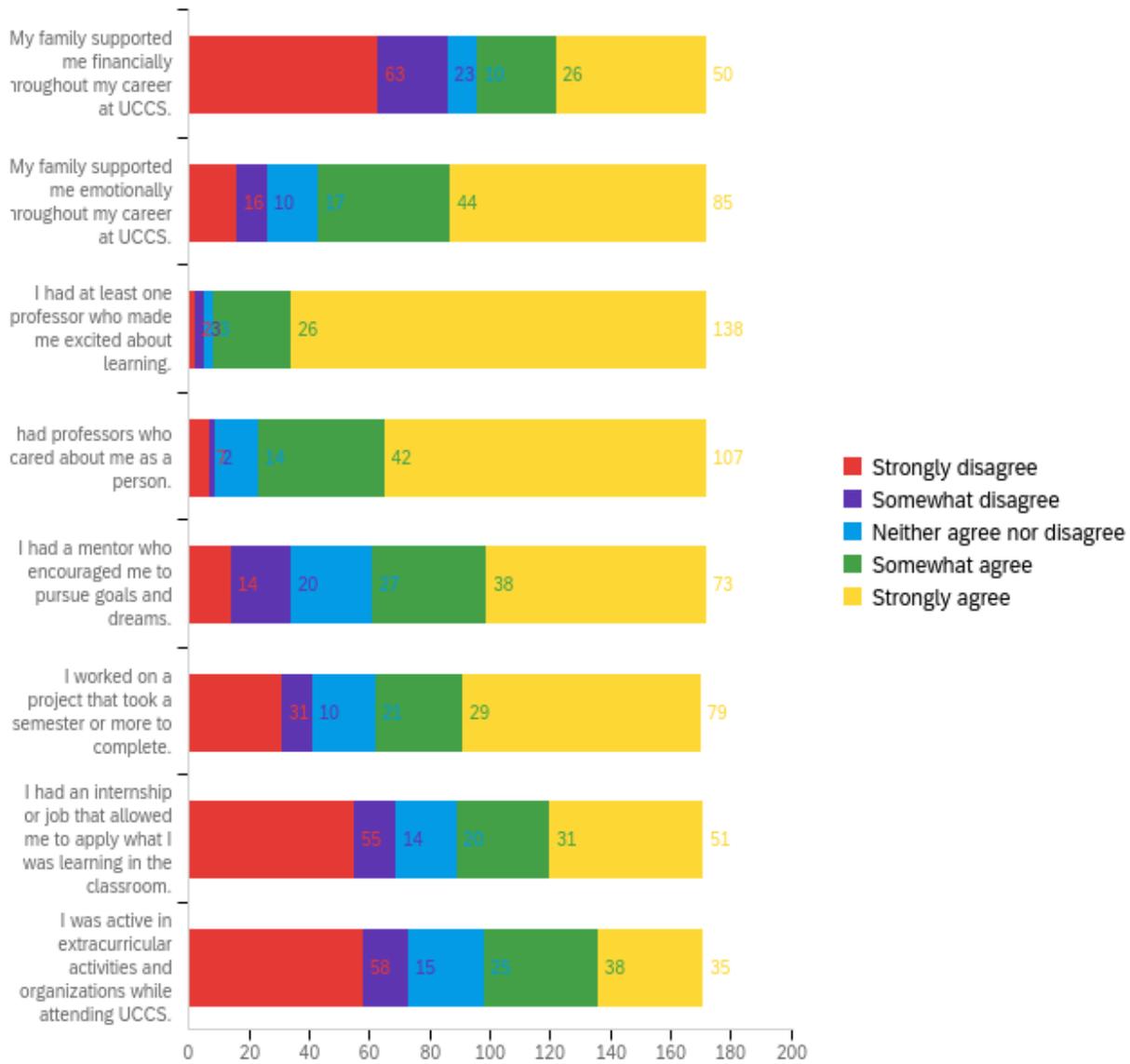
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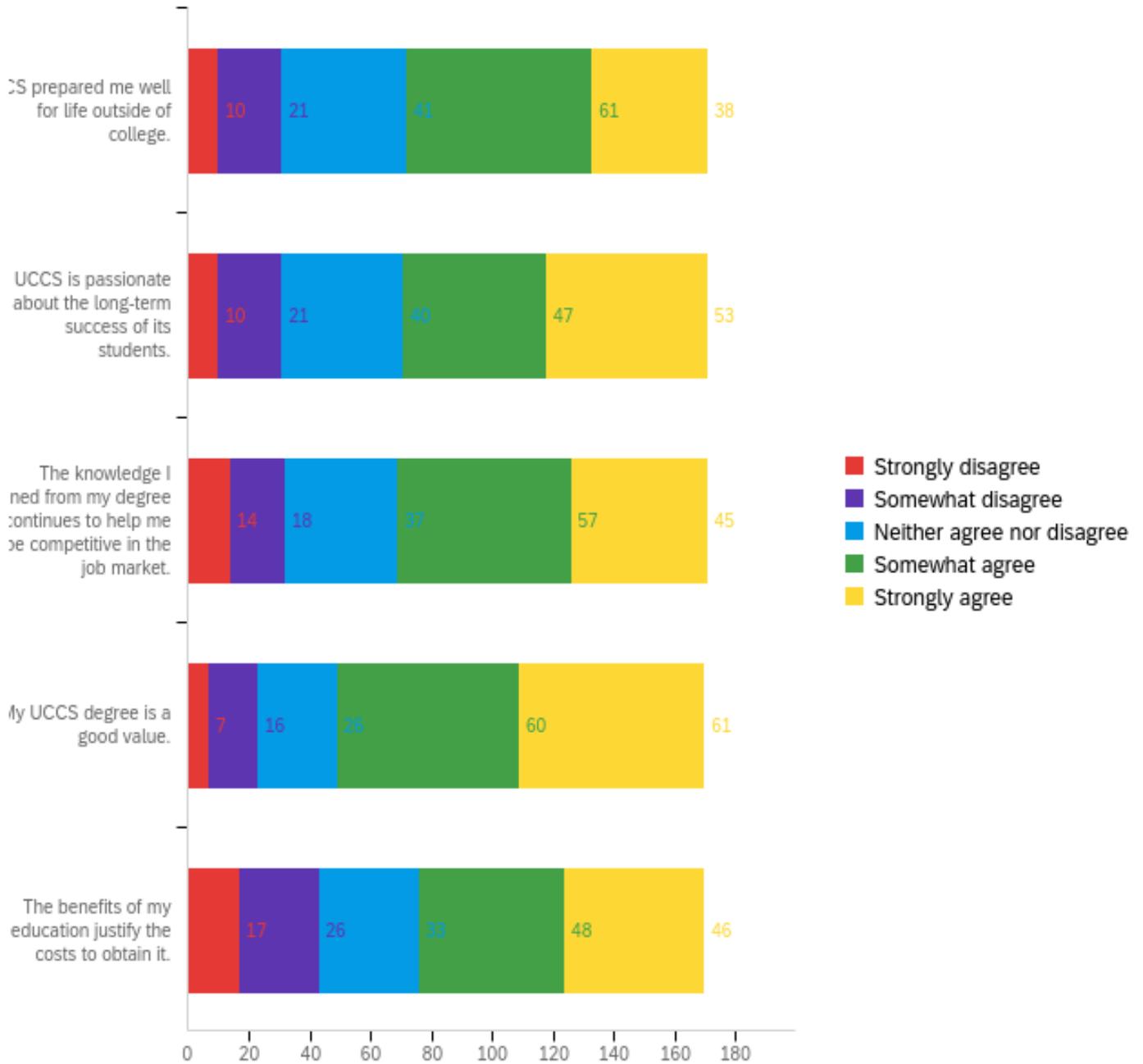
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My family supported me financially throughout my career at UCCS.	36.63	63	13.37	23	5.81	10	15.12	26	29.07	50	172
My family supported me emotionally throughout my career at UCCS.	9.30	16	5.81	10	9.88	17	25.58	44	49.42	85	172
I worked on a project that took a semester or more to complete.	18.24	31	5.88	10	12.35	21	17.06	29	46.47	79	170
I was active in extracurricular activities and organizations while attending UCCS.	33.92	58	8.77	15	14.62	25	22.22	38	20.47	35	171
I had professors who cared about me as a person.	4.07	7	1.16	2	8.14	14	24.42	42	62.21	107	172
I had at least one professor who made me excited about learning.	1.16	2	1.74	3	1.74	3	15.12	26	80.23	138	172
I had an internship or job that allowed me to apply what I was learning in the classroom.	32.16	55	8.19	14	11.70	20	18.13	31	29.82	51	171
I had a mentor who encouraged me to pursue goals and dreams.	8.14	14	11.63	20	15.70	27	22.09	38	42.44	73	172

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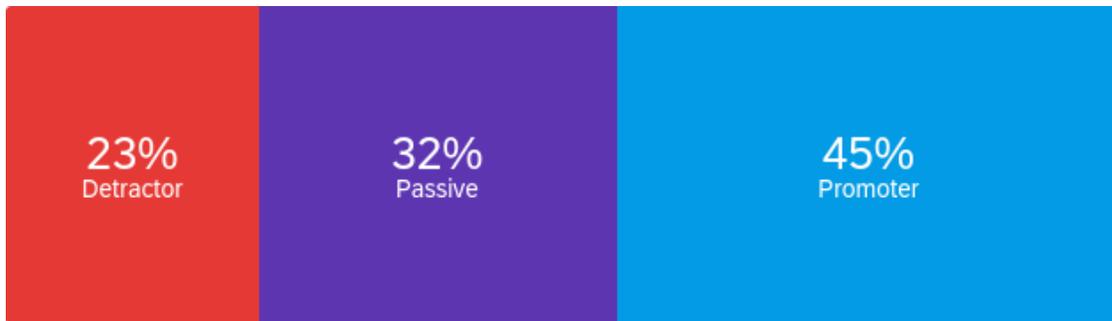


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UCCS prepared me well for life outside of college.	5.85	10	12.28	21	23.98	41	35.67	61	22.22	38	171
UCCS is passionate about the long-term success of its students.	5.85	10	12.28	21	23.39	40	27.49	47	30.99	53	171
The knowledge I gained from my degree continues to help me be competitive in the job market.	8.19	14	10.53	18	21.64	37	33.33	57	26.32	45	171
My UCCS degree is a good value.	4.12	7	9.41	16	15.29	26	35.29	60	35.88	61	170
The benefits of my education justify the costs to obtain it.	10.00	17	15.29	26	19.41	33	28.24	48	27.06	46	170

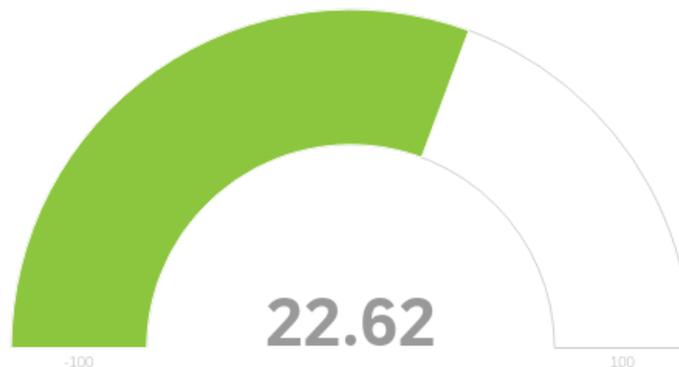
College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences Net Promoter Score

On a scale from 0-10, how likely are you to recommend UCCS to a potential student?

The net promoter score (NPS) is a measure of customer satisfaction and score represents the likelihood that the respondent will recommend the institution to other consumers. The score ranges from -100 to +100 and we aim for a score between 30-50.



■ Detractor ■ Passive ■ Promoter



Why did you rate UCCS the way you did?

I felt UCCS was a great campus when I attended and it continues to grow and provide opportunities for students.

I love UCCS and would attend again if I were to seek a second degree.

Being a sister campus, the politics of funding, administration, and respect played a large role. I felt at times we were the "odd step-child" of the CU system - at times. That's why I would recommend it with simply that word of caution. UCCS is much cheaper, the faculty in the departments I was in were great quality - passionate, caring, intelligent - and of course the campus is beautiful.

Good school

Overall a personal interest to succeed and instructors recognizing and supporting my efforts, so finishing with magna cum laude despite English to be my second language. While distance between different classes sometimes interfering with timely arrival and under duress, and parking adding to stress, the layout and architecture of the campus was rejuvenating for mind and soul when on breaks.

Terrible interactions with the financial aid department as well as the academic advisors. I experienced quite a few sexist professors within the math department that treated females differently than my male classmates. If not outright ignoring questions for clarifications or help with the coursework, scheduling meetings and not showing up for them was not the experience I thought I should be paying for. Paying for the math lab every semester when they are unable to assist with anything above calculus 3 work is ridiculous (I was a math major and so had many upper division math classes.). I hope things change and actually reflect the equality and fair treatment that should be standard for every student walking through the door.

College is overrated in regards to the job market today unfortunately. The benefits does not out-weigh the debt.

I think there are areas of improvement and one of those is the social aspect of the institution. I was a commuter student living off-campus, and it didn't feel like a community existed for that demographic (which is the vast majority).

Great school, fantastic teachers.

Tuition could be bearer and UCCS does not offer an Masters program in the Arts.

It was a great balance between a community college and University. The classes could be flexible so students could work at the same time.

I wish there was more of a focus on job related experience, I would have liked to know a little more about life after college with my degree and how to apply it to the real-world. Or maybe i just wish the real-world had any appreciation for my degree, i am not sure which is more realistic.

I received a good education from UCCS, but the English program did a terrible job providing information about internships, or most importantly, how to apply a liberal arts degree to any career other than a career as a professor.

Because it has open doors that I never imagined would be available to me.

All college is ludicrously expensive. UCCS is relatively affordable as colleges go. I'm very very shy and personally have trouble engaging in clubs and activities, and also I had my son during college, so I didn't participate in extra curriculars, but there were certainly plenty of opportunities to be part of something. I loved how my freshman seminar gave me a chance to learn the ropes of Uccs, how to use the library, etc. My professors were amazing and always believed in me. My experience was very positive.

The teachers are great, location is phenomenal, and a wide assortment of pre term classes were critical to my graduation.

Professors are caring and really want students to succeed!

I have loved my time at UCCS, to the point where I decided to return to pursue a masters degree. The location, professors and students are all awesome and I would recommend the school to anyone who asked!

Lack of opportunities to grow new organizations like Greek life. School seems very "anti" as opposed to "opportunistic" or interested in advancing opportunities.

Too expensive, not enough interaction with academic counselors on how to prepare for next steps after graduation. No information at all on how to apply to graduate school or who to talk with.

It was a good school for me, but it's not for everyone and the rising costs and ineptitude of the financial aid office make it a difficult goal for many.

If you want to go to college and get in and out it's a fine experience. However, I feel that I had a much better experience, relationally with teachers and peers, and a more effective learning experience at PPCC. Perhaps because it was smaller or maybe the teachers are less stressed and therefore more available and able to see a student for who they actually are.

UCCS is a decent school, but I haven't received any particular benefit from attending there.

I loved my experience at UCCS both inside and outside of the classroom. I was able to explore Greek life, becoming an RA, cultural clubs and working on campus. Academically I was a psychology major and I did an outside research project with a professor and volunteered at a counseling center.

I had a positive experience at UCCS

One of the few independent thinking institutions left

I loved my time at UCCS.

N/A

diverse student body, thoughtful professors engaged in the dialectic of their disciplines, strong student support in academic and socio-emotional development

My experience as a returning older student was different than the average student, but my time at UCCS was very fulfilling. The instructors and professors I had were remarkable, and the classes were challenging. Professors Robert Sackett, Jan Myers and Instructor Leah Davis-Witherow were especially important to me, and all took time to help me with my historical writing. I am indebted to them and still think of them often, even five years after my graduation. I know that UCCS is growing physically, and will soon be a major university in Colorado, but to me it felt like a small town college. The only thing I would change is the actual LAS infrastructure. The building is old, dark - as in no windows in any classroom - with desks meant for children and no carpeting. I know the UC system can do better than that (and perhaps they have since I left) because I had classes in the science and math buildings and saw the difference! That is the only reason I gave a 9 instead of 10.

The location, diversity of staff and faculty, reasonable costs and degree programs.

UCCS has a wonderful education system and is passionate about it's students. I went there without leaving my hometown and I think it important for young adults to go out and explore places outside of their comfort zone. Therefore, it is a good school, but if they live in the area, I would recommend them to find something farther away.

I loved my time there

It is a great midsize school. I strongly recommend it to no traditional students, especially those associated with the military. I am not sure if it a great option for traditional students coming from out of the state or area.

It depends on what you major in. Some majors that UCCS offers will only lead to low-wage type jobs after graduation. These majors don't give students the real world experience that they need in order to succeed.

Close to home, cost, variety of degrees and college experience

The counseling department was terrible back then (08 to 10). That's the only reason I knocked off a star. I probably spent an extra two years recovering from their incompetence.

Other schools can offer a lot more, things outside of classes, like sports, social clubs, etc

The college has changed from one which cared about the education of the students to one that is pushing a liberal agenda and lifestyle over substance. I will be paying student loans for decades. Not worth it.

For someone wanting to stay in Colorado.

It is a smaller school with more limited options. But if you are aware of that, you can get a broad base.

Excellent school with a nice diversity of students from different financial backgrounds/stages of life. Wasn't a 10 simply because of Colorado's unfortunate rules about in vs out of state tuition and the exorbitant amount of money it cost me to pay for my degree out of state.

Nowadays a bachelors degree is the equivalent of a high school diploma. Although graduating from UCCS was beneficial in getting my a entry level claims job, I was able to advance to a higher level based on my graduate education and work.

There is a marked difference between being an undergraduate and graduate student which I regret. My undergraduate experience was rewarding for numerous reasons, so I do recommend it to others; but I myself wish I would have gone elsewhere for graduate school.

My degree was in filmmaking (Comm. w/ an emphasis in digital filmmaking and media arts). I enjoyed my time at UCCS and learned a lot. I recommend the college regularly, but not so much the film program. I love the comm. film program, however right now there are better, cheaper options in Colorado to gain the same skills. I think the program can be improved to be more competitive.

The counseling degree program back in 2011 was very intrusive. I believe it was emotionally damaging at times. I hope this was fixed by new staff members or new approaches. They would take on the students history and use their negative experiences to justify growth in the program.

The location of UCCS is not the best, it's not nationally recognized, and it's a commuter school (poor campus life/culture). Those are pretty big negatives BUT the professors were amazing and couldn't have asked for better ones honestly. Program could've been slightly more rigorous.

In my department, which is History, has a strong and varied faculty, excellent lecturers and the ability to interface with all of them. My BA is leading to an MA.

If you become engaged with the environment, professors, and the amenities at UCCS it help you grow as a person and a student.

I believe the institution is a very good value for a university, and there are many programs in place to help students be successful.

Good experience Good professors

I had the chance to learn from first-rate professors at UCCS and remarkable opportunities to collaborate with faculty and other students.

I had a great experience at UCCS, and it is relatively affordable compared to many other institutions.

I almost make Colorado state required minimum wage at a major corporation with a Master of Arts degree from a state college doing work a graduate from high school could do for the same wages. Essentially, my degrees (Bachelors and Masters) from UCCS are worth about as much as the paper they are printed on and I am want to throw them away but they will become useful for wiping me dirty bum when the zombie apocalypse occurs shortly

after the Trump administration destroys much of the world in a nuclear holocaust that begins the global climate meltdown.

Great university but lacks tradition.

It's a great school with great teachers. I'm just having trouble finding a job after graduation.

I love UCCS. I found opportunity there that helped me long run

I never developed a relationship with any of my professors. I don't believe most would have known my name if I approached them before or after class. The information I gained was valuable of course, but I want to explain my response to the other questions. There was not a strong sense of community when I attended UCCS.

I absolutely loved UCCS and the culture, and the chemistry department. It was such a hidden gem. They helped me in my hardest hours and helped me thrive. Additionally I was fortunate to work and explore extracurricular all in the same place which for me was amazing.

It is a good school that helped me achieve my goals.

I loved my time at UCCS. Everybody seemed invested in the success of the students and took extra time to explain and help outside of class time.

The sense of community it has.

I think college prices in general are inflated, but compared to many programs the tuition was reasonable. I had a lovely undergrad experience at UCCS in spite of the current issues with higher education at large, and feel like it was the right choice for me.

For it depends on the degree the person wants to pursue. If they're looking at a science degree in environmental science, wildlife/fishery, forestry, natural resources and others like that. I would tell them to look elsewhere.

The quality of instructors and academic programs varies widely. Also, I have not been able to find an entry level job, not even at UCCS and if your alma mater doesn't support you in such a way then who will?

I had an excellent experience and loved every moment at UCCS

I learned so much from UCCS both academically and about myself. I had wonderful Professors who cared about me which meant a great deal.

I loved the experience. The only con is that it was too expensive and my graduate degree was not exactly what I was looking for. I teach adults and the whole program is designed to teaching kids.

It depends on the student. I don't think UCCS is for everyone. It was certainly for me. It provided me with the ideal environment to grow and transition into adulthood.

UCCS is a place to grow, discover, and make lasting connections!

I enjoyed my time at UCCS and it helped me get into law school.

I really enjoyed my degree plan but finding employment in that field is next to impossible

Good value, great location, and good professors.

Overall good experience

UCCS was great for me

I think the school is great and is located in a great part of the state!

I believe that UCCS provides high quality education at a lower rate than most universities. I believe there are programs at the university that are competitive, unique and allow graduates to be seen as those qualities.

It's an excellent school that is staffed by an extensive collective of professors that are available to support the undergraduate and graduate students.

Great faculty, great curriculum, & location.

Many of the professors were fantastic. The parking was absolutely horrible. Some of the academic advisors were wonderful and others seemed like they could care less about their job. Great community overall.

I already have recommended UCCS to other people

Good resources Good professors Good with diversity and inclusion

I had a great experience and would only not recommend it if it was not a good fit for what they needed/was looking for in a college.

It's a fun and challenging environment that brings the best of living in Colorado to the classroom.

My experience with UCCS has been very positive and would gladly encourage anyone to attend there.

Great school. Beautiful campus. Wish there were more resources for students who are under 25 and do not receive financial help from their parents, even though their parents income is the decision in their financial aid. Made paying for school extremely difficult

UCCS was the perfect fit for me. I obtained my educational goals while also flourishing as a contributing member to society. I had great friends and professors who will have a lifetime impact on me.

too expensive and too many credits for Psych PhD. but like the campus and degree. wish there were more bicycle friendly routes from off-campus though!

I love UCCS, especially the English faculty.

As a "commuter" grad student from Pueblo, it was tough to be consistently engaged in department related activities, which is what kept some in the loop. Others, not so much, hence a natural disconnect. I'd like to see some sort of coordination and CU presence for those in Pueblo and the surrounding Ark. Valley. Small satellite workspace like UCCS Downtown? Carpooling hub? A class here and there with room to grow?

I think the benefits of attending outweigh the cost. My dreams of becoming an AF officer was afforded to me by great education, amazing professors, outstanding friends and family who supported me throughout the 5 years

UCCS provided me the degree I needed to get a masters degree. I only had one teacher at UCCS that I felt did not perform their job well. All the other teachers taught the subject matter well. I did not get to know any of the teachers really well like I did at my other colleges, but that did not make UCCS teachers poor teachers, I think they taught the subject matter very well I just had large class size.

I am concerned that the cost to benefit ratio of many college degrees is not justifiable, even for UCCS, and I am deeply concerned about unfair political and anti-religious biases among employees and departments.

The types of jobs and their availability were over exaggerated, and we weren't adequately prepared for real world jobs. It felt like I was a cog in the college system. My degree doesn't have much meaning in the field in which I work.

To make use of a bachelors of science degree, it is helpful to have technical experience working with modern instrumentation and techniques. Many of the instruments I encountered in the chemistry and physics departments at UCCS were aged and either needed repairs or maintenance or needed someone with better technical expertise to make them practically useful. There were attempts on the part of the professors to incorporate modern techniques, but they were hobbled by available resources.

UCCS is a great school and has wonderful professors.

I embraced the systemic challenges of receiving a priceless experience in exchange for a worthless document. UCCS

is my Alma mater so I will always encourage others to go there, but there will always be caveats

Such a fantastic university and I miss every minute of my time spent there. Great people, great community. Thinking about applying for graduate school to further my education at UCCS!

The courses and professors are excellent. Support and organization of degree programs can be improved.

Class sizes, excellent campus, caring people, a college degree will help immensely in the future.

I love UCCS! The profs were amazing and the location is perfect.

UCCS was a great place to go to school and get an excellent education and feel very supported by all professors.

Our school is very supportive all around.

Because it is uninviting and judgemental and, to top it off, unaffordable.

I really enjoyed my experience at UCCS, I've actually recommended it to several potential students as a place in Colorado with small class sizes and more affordable living than the Denver metro area.

I wasn't given much information about programs or requirements when I was there

I loved the experience

Small campus, caring faculty, and lower tuition rates

Cost

I had a great experience at UCCS. If someone wants to go to a 4-year university, then it's a perfectly fine place to go. But I firmly believe now, 10 years past graduation, that college is absolutely NOT a requirement for young people to succeed, and many more high schoolers should be encouraged to get into the trades or other jobs more suited to their unique skills -- at least until they can afford college -- and not made to feel like college is the ONLY path to success in America. For many, college is a really expensive debt bomb with little or no financial payoff. Statistics about college students making "x" amount more in their lifetime are heavily skewed by people like doctors, engineers, lawyers, etc. MANY people with degrees make significantly less in their professional positions than an Uber driver in Denver, e.g. I taught English and tutored writing for 11 years out of college and am making close to twice as much now, as an Uber driver, than I did in those professions. And here's the thing: I also really like driving for Uber. It's not like you have to have a professional job in a corporate office or be slaving for a startup to find passion and fulfillment from your work. Sometimes the simple task of providing another human with a service and having them pay you fair compensation for that service is as good as one can hope to get from a job. So I suppose this is all to say that UCCS is fine, but the college system in this country is fundamentally broken. It is neither the fault of UCCS nor is UCCS doing anything, as far as I know, to overturn the lie spread by high school counselors and parents everywhere that college is the ONLY path to success.

I love UCCS, its mission, and the people here. It's a quality institution with people who care about education.

I really feel that I got a lot out of it, but as I haven't tried to apply my degree to a job search just yet, I didn't feel I could honestly answer some of the previous questions. Soon.

I enjoyed my experience at UCCS. I had great professors and learned a lot.

Small class sizes allow for a lot of beneficial interaction with professors and other students.

Because it help me become the valuable professional I am today.

UCCS provides exceptional educational opportunities, however it lacks the resources required to support its current rate of student growth.

I loved it there! Small community feel.

UCCS helped set me up for a successful future, and I'm proud to be a lifelong Mountain Lion!

Great professors and interesting classes

The education is good, but the support for non traditional female students is not there.

I enjoyed my time at UCCS

Great experience - lifelong relationships formed and applicable education that can used immediately.

I believe that UCCS is a beautiful campus with courses that provide insigh to your degree program. However, for the cost of my bachelors degree in communication I believe I could have had the same educational experience at other colleges and some at a lower cost.

i had a great time, learned a lot, and am proud of what i accomplished at uccs

I really enjoyed my time at UCCS and I feel UCCS has a lot to offer people seeking higher education.

I love the school and my experience there! I havent even sought out employment though, lucky to stay at home currently. :)

It was very expensive and many professors treated me like I wasn't smart enough to work in research, but the CU system did provide me with an internship and a job.

I had a great undergrad experience here at UCCS.
