The annual Boston College Post-Graduation Plans Survey tracks recent graduates' current and future professional and educational plans. The survey addresses topics such as the graduate's primary activity after graduation, the type of work and industry in which the graduate may be employed, the timing of job offers and starting salary information, graduate school enrollments by program, degree, and institution, and the organizations through which recent graduates engage in fellowships or service work.

Working as partners in this data collection effort, the Career Center and Institutional Research & Planning utilized a variety of resources to supplement information gathered via the traditional survey administration process, resulting in a valuable set of data that provides faculty, administrators, and employers with information that helps them better serve Boston College students in their career-planning activities. The survey administration process and data reporting methods both conform to the guidelines put forth by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE), the leading resource for information on post-graduation plans, hiring forecasts, job market trends, benchmarks, and employment-related best practices.

Through surveys and other sources input was collected for 1,736 of the 2,265 members of the Class of 2023<sup>1</sup>, resulting in a knowledge rate 76.6%.

The Boston College Post-Graduation Plans survey was administered from April 2023 through December 2023. 984 graduates responded to the survey, for an overall survey response rate of 43.4%.

Of the members of the Class of 2023 with input collected, more than 9 out of 10 (94.4%) are **employed** (including in a post-graduation internship and serving in the U.S. military), **attending graduate school, engaging in service/volunteering, or participating in a fellowship**. About 5.6% indicated they are seeking employment or enrollment in continuing education, or not seeking at this time.

Employed full time (on average 30 hours or more per week)	71.7%
Employed part time (on average less than 30 hours per week)	1.9%
Enrolled in a program of continuing education	16.6%
Participating in a post-graduation internship	0.9%
Participating in a volunteer or service program	1.8%
Participating in a fellowship, scholarship, grant, etc.	0.7%
Serving in the U.S. military	0.7%
Seeking employment or enrollment in continuing education	5.4%
Not seeking employment, education, etc. at this time	0.3%

Of those employed full-time, the **median salary** reported by members of the Class of 2023 is \$71,000, with the middle 50% of students reporting salaries between \$54,000 and \$89,000.

A **broad range of industries** is represented by those respondents who are employed (including those whose primary activity is the military or an internship), and includes areas such as financial services, healthcare, consulting and management, technology, communication and media, retail, law and public policy, education, accounting, entertainment, and social services. Industry categories are listed in descending order of frequency. Please see for more details on which industries are included in each category listed.

Financial Services & Accounting	29%
Healthcare, Life & Physical Sciences, Environment	22%
Consulting, Business Services, & Entrepreneurship	15%
Technology & Engineering	10%
Government, Law, Public Policy	6%
Other	5%
Communications, Media, Marketing	4%
Education	4%
Non Profit & Social Impact	2%
Consumer Products & Retail	2%
Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Recreation	2%

Among graduates who shared information about when they received offers of employment, the majority received job offers by the end of their second semester senior year (84%).

While a majority of 2023 **graduates remain in the Northeast** (78%), graduates do move to all regions of the United States (36 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico), as well as 24 countries outside of the U.S.: Bosnia & Herzegovina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Czech Republic, Ecuador, Fiji, Finland, France, Germany, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Lebanon, Panama, South Korea, Spain, The Gambia, The Philippines, Turkiye, The United Kingdom, Vietnam, and Zambia. Note: includes graduates in all primary activities except military (includes employed, continuing education, volunteer, fellowship, and post-graduate internship).

Among graduates who are employed and who shared information about the resources used in the job search, about **70% used a Boston College Career Center resource to secure their employment** (i.e., on-campus or virtual interviews arranged through the Career Center, Handshake job postings, Career Center website, Career fair at BC, Career Center event or program, or networking through BC).

Among graduates who are employed and who shared information about the resources used in the job search, the top job search resources utilized include:

Networking beyond BC	46%
Networking through BC	45%
Other job listings, including online sites and print	43%
Handshake job posting (non on-campus interviews)	41%
Previous internship	35%
Career fair at BC	22%

## Appendix A Industries by Industry Groups

Industry Group	Individual Industry		
	Arts		
Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Recreation	Entertainment		
·	Sports/Recreation		
	Advertising and Public Relations		
Communications Madis Marketing	Journalism, Media, and Publishing		
Communications, Media, Marketing	Marketing		
	Online/Social Media		
	Consulting		
	Entrepreneurship and Startp		
Consulting, Business Services, & Entrepreneurship	Hospitality/Food Services/Leisure		
	Human Resources, Recruiting, and Staffing		
	Professional Services		
	Consumer Goods		
Consumer Products & Retail	Fashion		
Consumer Products & Retail	Food and Beverage Products		
	Retail		
	Education (Early Childhood)		
Education	Education (Higher Education)		
	Education (K-12)		
	Accounting		
	Banking/Finance		
Financial Services & Accounting	Insurance		
	Investment Management		
	Real Estate		
	Government (Federal)		
	Government (State and Local)		
Covernment Law Public Policy	Law and Legal Services		
Government Law, Public Policy	Law Enforcement, Investigation, and Security		
	Military		
	Public Policy		
	Biotechnology and Pharmaceuticals		
	Environmental Services/Sustainability		
Healthcare, Life & Physical Sciences, Environment	Healthcare and Healthcare Administration		
	Medical Equipment and Supplies		