

RIDGEWATER COLLEGE

Graduate Follow-up Survey

Part A: Graduate Contact Information

Name _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____ EMAIL: _____

Program/Major(s): _____

Student Tech ID Number: _____ Date of Graduation: _____ (month) _____ (day) _____ (year)

Please indicate who is responding to this survey. (Check only **one** response.)

Graduate Spouse/Domestic Partner/Roommate Parent/Guardian
 Institutional Staff Employer Other Family Member

Part B: Continuing Education

1. Within 12 months following graduation, have you obtained or pursued (accepted or enrolled at an institution) another degree, diploma, or certificate? (Please check only **one** response.)

Yes ⇒ Continue with this part.

No ⇒ Go to Part C, Item 4.

2. What was the date you started or were accepted to this program? _____ (month) _____ (day) _____ (year)

Please write the complete name of the institution and its location.

Institution _____ City _____ State _____

3. What degree have you obtained or are you pursuing?

Certificate Diploma Associate Bachelor's Master's
 Specialist First Professional (e.g. dentistry, law, medicine) Doctorate

Part C: Employment Information

4. Have you started, accepted, or continued a paying job in the 12 months following graduation? (Include self-employment, Peace Corps, military service, or religious mission. Please check only **one** response.)

Yes ⇒ Continue with Items 5 through 10.

No ⇒ Go to Part D, Item 11.

5. If you answered yes to Item 4 and you reported continuing education in Part B, please indicate in which group you prefer to be included. (Check only **one**.) **Employment** **Continuing Education**

In items 6 through 9 please provide the following information about your job. If you have held or accepted more than one job, please provide information on what you consider to be the most important job.

6. What was the date you started or accepted this job? _____ (month) _____ (day) _____ (year)

7. Employer/Firm Name _____

City _____ State _____ Country _____

Job Title/Position or Job Duties _____

Salary: (Optional) \$ _____ Hourly or \$ _____ Monthly or \$ _____ Yearly

8. Is the position **on average** considered to be (please check only **one** response): **Full-time** or **Part-time**

9. How related is/was this job to the program from which you graduated? (Please check only **one** response.)

Related **Somewhat Related** **Unrelated**

Note -- Your job is related at least to some degree if it meets any of the following criteria:

- 1) You were required to complete your program or major in order to qualify for this job;
- 2) You are/were using knowledge and skills on your job acquired through your program or major; or
- 3) Your job is/was an entry-level position required in order obtain a job for which you were trained.

If you checked *Unrelated*, continue with Item 10. Otherwise, you have finished the survey. Please sign your name and enter the date at the end of the survey.

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Part C: Employment Information (continued)

10. Are you actively seeking a job related to your program or major? (Please check only **one** response.)

(a) Yes

(b) No ⇒ **Reasons why you might not be seeking a related job include the following:**

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational License or Certification Pending | <input type="checkbox"/> Family/Home Responsibilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Condition Preventing Work in Field of Study | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Completed Program for Personal Satisfaction | <input type="checkbox"/> Military/Volunteer/Religious Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cannot Relocate for Related Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Took Unrelated Work By Choice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

You have finished the survey. Please sign your name and enter the date at the end of the survey.

Part D: Not Currently Employed

Answer Item 11 only if you checked “No” in response to Item 4 on the previous page.

11. Which of the following describes your status? (Please check only **one** response.)

Not Currently Employed, Actively Seeking Employment

Not Currently Employed, **Not** Actively Seeking Employment ⇒ **Reasons why you might not be seeking employment include the following:**

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational License or Certification Pending | <input type="checkbox"/> Family/Home Responsibilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Condition Preventing Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Completed Program for Personal Satisfaction | <input type="checkbox"/> Incarcerated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cannot Relocate for Related Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> International Student Returned to Homeland |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate is Deceased |

You have finished the survey. Please sign your name and enter the date below.

Signature of the Graduate (or person completing or responding to the survey)

Date: _____ (month) _____ (day) _____ (year)

Please Print Your Name _____ Phone No. _____

-THANK YOU-

**Please return to: Career Services; Ridgewater College; 2101 15th Ave NW; Willmar, MN 56201
OR E-mail: careerservices@ridgewater.edu**

If you are currently enrolled at an institution within the MN State Colleges and Universities System, please read NOTE A. If you are not currently enrolled at an institution with the MN State Colleges and Universities System, please read NOTE B.

NOTE A: The college/university is asking you to provide information that includes private information under state and federal law. The college/university is making this request in order to provide summary information about your program of study to students and prospective students.

You are not legally required to provide the information the college/university is requesting. With some exceptions, unless you consent to further release of private information, access to this information will be limited to school officials, including faculty who have legitimate educational interests in the information. Under certain circumstances federal and state laws authorize release of private information without your consent:

- To federal, state or local officials for purposes of program compliance, audit or evaluation;
- If the information is sought with a subpoena, court order, or otherwise permitted by other state or federal law; and
- To an institution engaged in educational research or accrediting agency.

NOTE B: The colleges/university is asking for this information in order to provide summary information about your program of study to students and prospective students. Under state law the requested information is public information. You are not legally required to provide the information the college/university is requesting. Your instructors are hoping you will decide to provide us this information so they can see your accomplishments since graduating from Ridgewater College. If you decide not to provide us with this information, please return the form with your name along with a statement to that effect so we no longer try to survey you.