

The Benefit of University Education

A survey on the benefit of university learning revealed differing results between undergraduate and graduate degree holders. Undergraduate degree holders felt the greatest benefit in **the ability to collaborate with others**, while graduate degree holders most frequently felt the benefit of **knowledge of their major or field of study**.

In addition, positive responses exceeded 60% across all seven items, including knowledge of a wide range of academic disciplines, the ability to apply knowledge, the ability to create new knowledge, the ability to apply knowledge in practical situations, and the ability to learn proactivity. This suggests that learning at university continues to be beneficial even after graduation.

Level of Satisfaction with Current Life

Regarding current life satisfaction, completers of both undergraduate and graduate programs reported positive responses overall. In areas such as **work, academic pursuits, and personal relationships**, satisfaction levels exceeded 70%. This is not unrelated to the fact that many graduates recognized the benefit of university learning in developing collaborative skills. On the other hand, it was found that satisfaction levels were low in the areas of time flexibility and future prospects

Characteristics of Current Jobs

Question items on the characteristics of current jobs were aligned with those of the University of Tokyo Institute of Social Science Research's nationwide survey. The eight items include:

- Can determine own pace of work
- Can determine how to conduct the job
- Can determine how the people working for me do their job
- There are opportunities to enhance professional skills through work

The results showed that regarding the degree of job autonomy, positive responses were generally highest among completers of Kyushu University graduate programs, followed by completers of Kyushu University undergraduate programs, and then the national average. Regarding opportunities for education/training and enhancing professional skills, positive responses were highest among completers of Kyushu University undergraduate programs, followed by completers of Kyushu University graduate programs, and then the national average.

In contrast, regarding the “possibility of becoming unemployed within a year (including bankruptcy),” a higher proportion of completers of Kyushu University undergraduate and graduate programs answered “applies significantly” compared to the national average. This difference may be influenced by the timing of the survey, as the University of Tokyo Institute of Social Research's national survey was conducted in 2020.

However, overall, it appears that a higher proportion of completers of undergraduate and graduate programs compared to the national average enjoy greater autonomy, abundant growth opportunities, and engaging work.

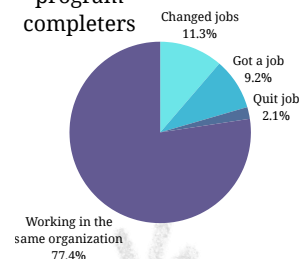
Career Paths After Graduation

Over 80% of graduates of Kyushu University graduate programs work as company employees, civil servants, or NPO staff, representing the largest group. Their occupations span a wide range, including local government employees, teachers, sales positions, design and development roles, and researchers. Other paths include further education, entrepreneurship, becoming lawyers, or pursuing residency programs.

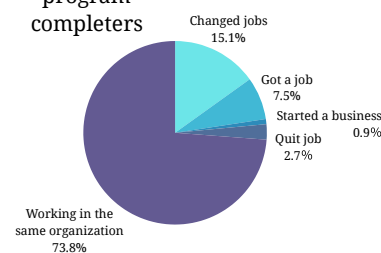
Regarding employment status, **slightly over 10% have changed jobs within three years of graduation**. Reasons cited for changing jobs include career advancement, completion of a fixed-term position, and mental health issues.

Current employment status

Undergraduate program completers



Graduate program completers



Future Outlook

When asked to freely describe their future dreams, life goals, aspirations, and current efforts toward achieving them, we received 269 responses.

Here are some excerpts:



In addition to these, there were various responses such as pursuing research or obtaining qualifications. After graduation, many continue moving toward their dreams.

Current students, please take this opportunity to think about your own future.

For more information, check here.



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Last year, a survey targeting students who completed undergraduate and graduate programs at Kyushu University in the 2022 academic year was conducted, with responses received from 589 individuals.

This Triangular Prism POP compiles the results, focusing on the themes:

“How university learning and experiences connect to society”

and

“Career choices after entering the workforce.”

We hope this serves as a valuable reference for those wondering how their current studies connect to future opportunities or who are contemplating their career paths.

The Student Team of the Kyushu University Stakeholder Survey (KU-SHS), appointed by the University President, is responsible for analyzing, reporting, and publicizing the results of the Kyushu University Stakeholder Survey. This “Triangular Pop” is based on the content of the survey report published by the university, but is published with the aim of sharing the perspectives of the Student Team with university stakeholders.