

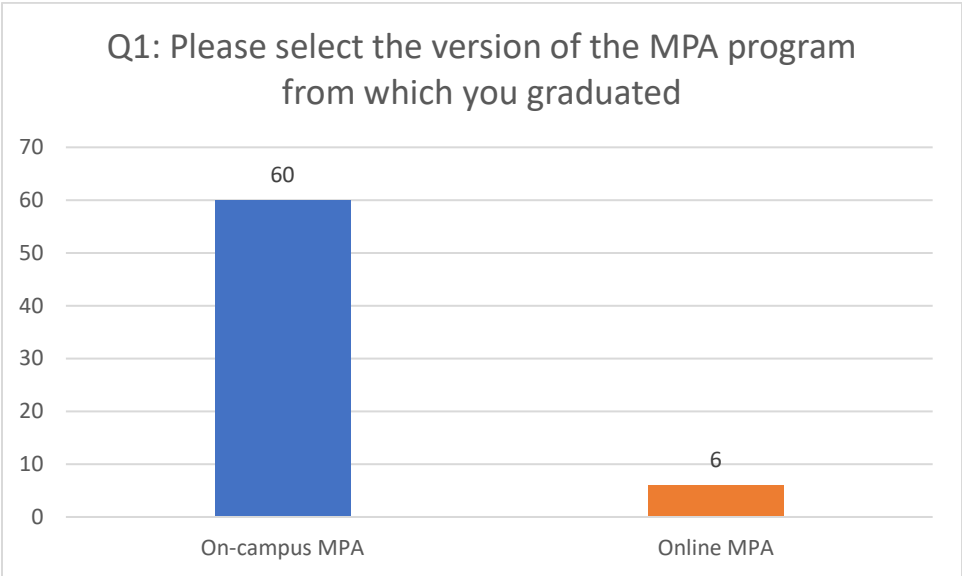
# University of Wisconsin Oshkosh Masters of Public Administration (MPA) Employability Survey

On March 29 2020 we sent this survey to 256 MPA program alumni. A follow up reminder was sent April 9, 2020. A total of 67 graduates responded, for a response rate of 26.2%. Alumni e-mail addresses were obtained from the UW Oshkosh Alumni Association, and a review of public Linked-In profiles. The questions were developed by MPA program faculty to ensure compliance with IFSAC accreditation standards.

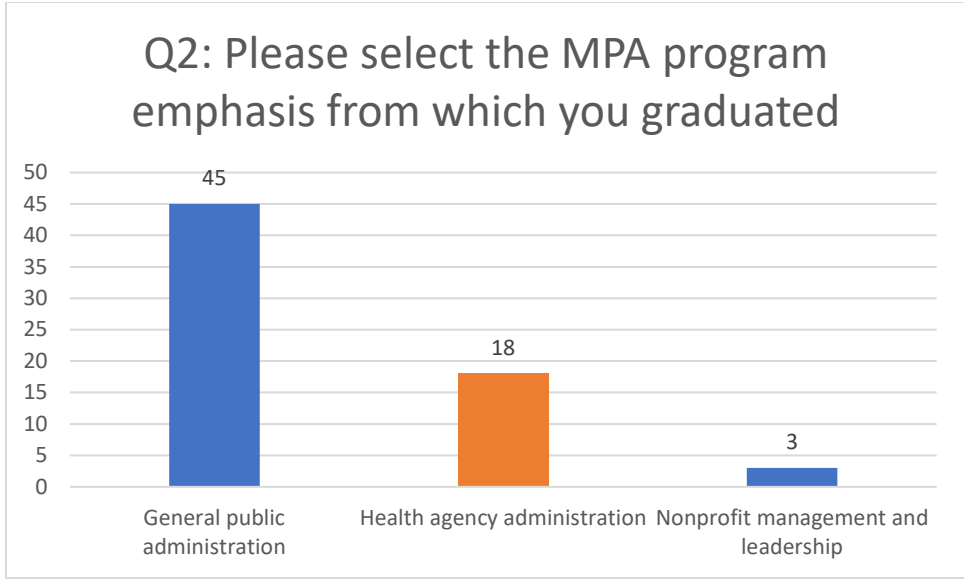
Survey results reveal several findings:

- The majority of our graduates are from the on-campus program, which is expected given the online program did not launch until Spring 2017.
- The general public administration emphasis contains the largest share of alumni.
- A majority of program graduates are employed full-time.
- A majority of program graduates work in Wisconsin.
- The largest group of alumni are employed in local government, though there is a large range of relevant employment areas. The vast majority of alumni are employed in fields related to public administration.
- More recent alumni are employed in fields similar to those who graduates prior to Fall 2014.
- A majority of respondents believe the MPA program aided in their professional advancement.

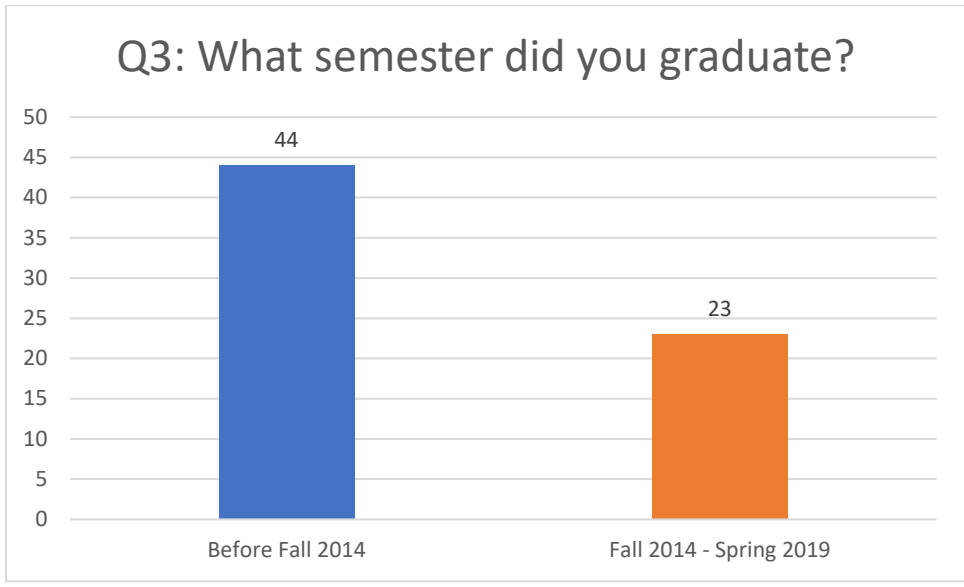
Full results are below. Questions about the survey can be addressed to Michael Ford at [fordm@uwosh.edu](mailto:fordm@uwosh.edu).



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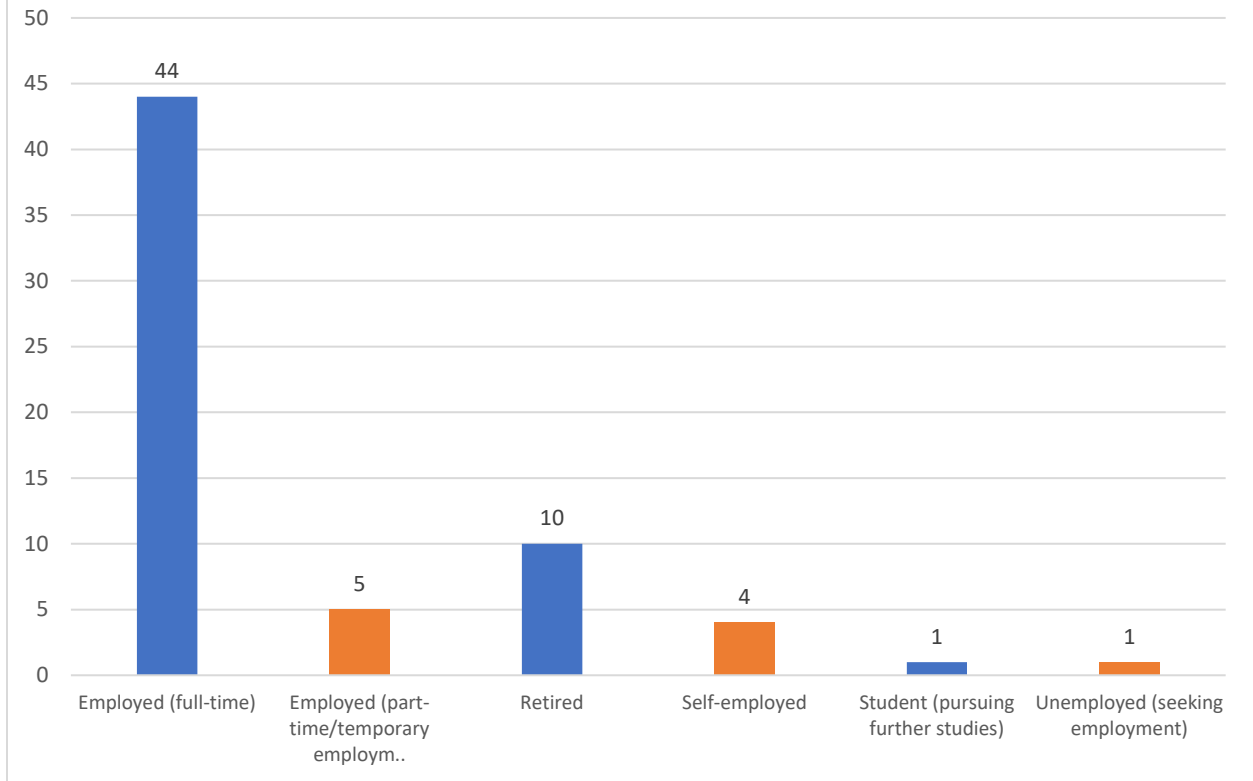


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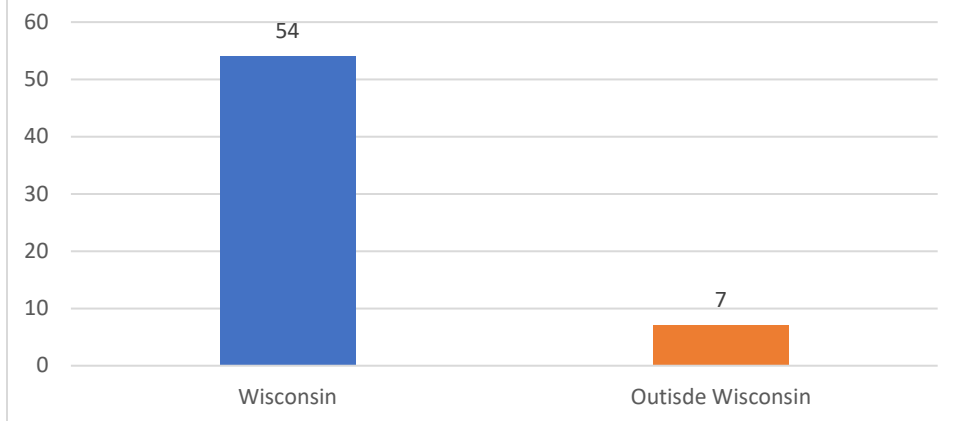
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### Q4: What is your current employment status?



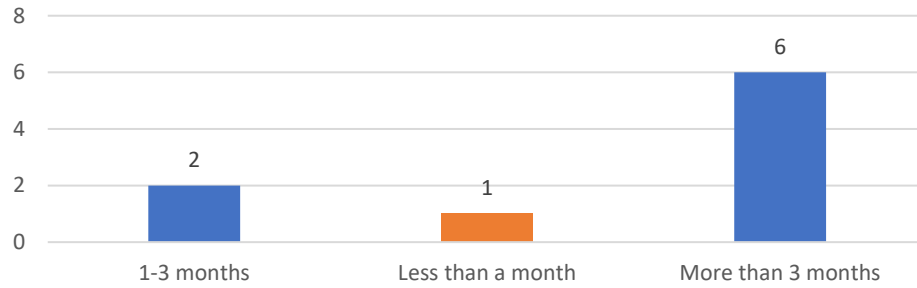
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### Q5: In what location are you employed?



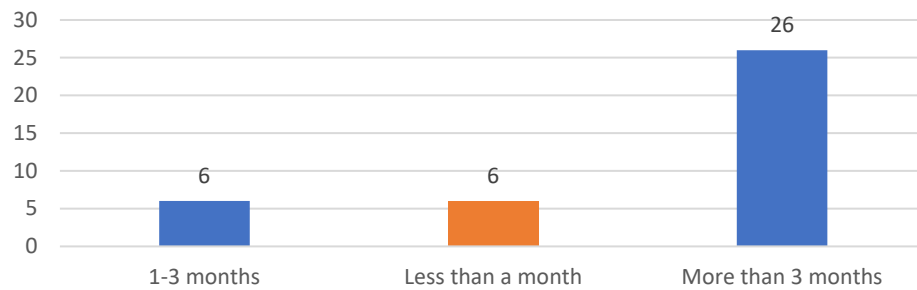
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Q6: If you were unemployed when you completed the MPA degree, how long did you take to obtain your first job?

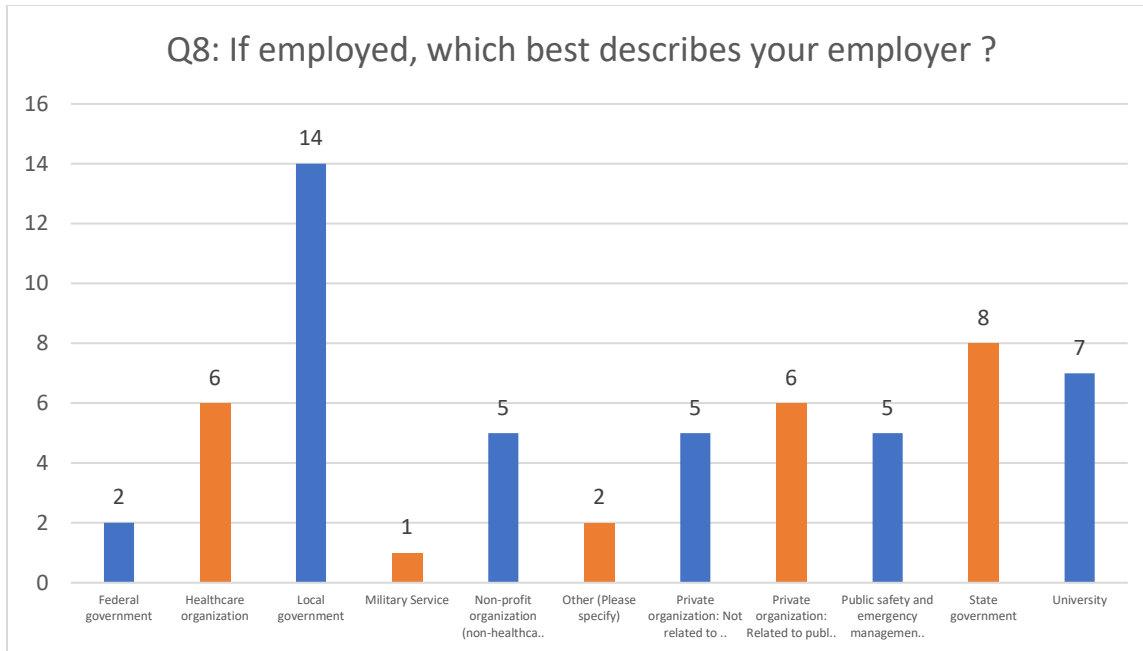


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Q7: If you were employed when you completed the MPA degree, how long did you take to obtain your first promotion?



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Q9: If employed, which best describes your employer? X Time of graduation.

	Before Fall 2014	Fall 2014 - Spring 2019
Federal government	2	0
Healthcare organization	3	3
Local government	8	6
Military Service	0	1
Non-profit organization (non-HealthCare).	4	1
Other (Please specify)	1	1
Private organization: Not related to public administration.	3	3
Private organization: Related to public administration.	5	1
Public safety and emergency management.	5	0
State government	4	4
University	5	2
Total	40	22

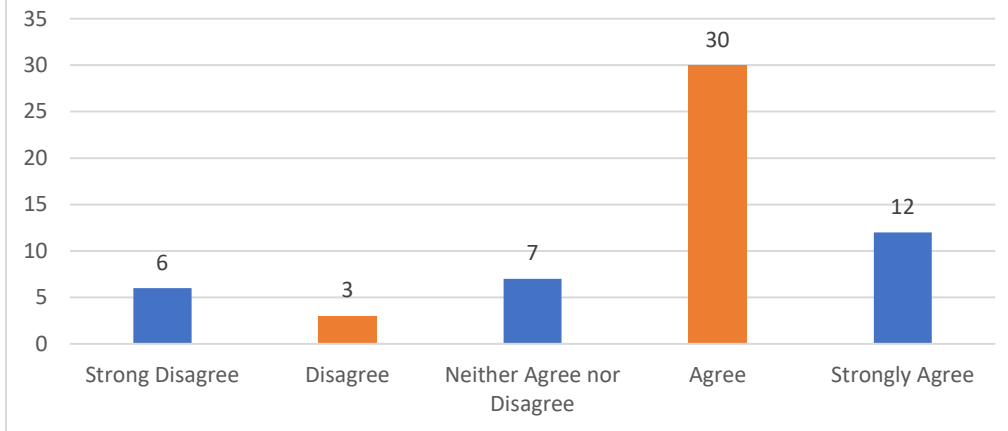
Q10: If employed, which best describes your employer? X Online or On-Campus MPA.

	On - Campus MPA	Online
Federal government	2	0
Healthcare organization	6	0
Local government	12	2
Military Service	1	0
Non-profit organization (non-HealthCare).	5	0
Other (Please specify)	1	1
Private organization: Not related to public administration.	5	0
Private organization: Related to public administration.	5	1
Public safety and emergency management.	5	0
State government	7	1
University	7	0
Total	56	5



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Q12: If currently employed, to what extent do you agree with the following statements: - My current job is related to my MPA degree.

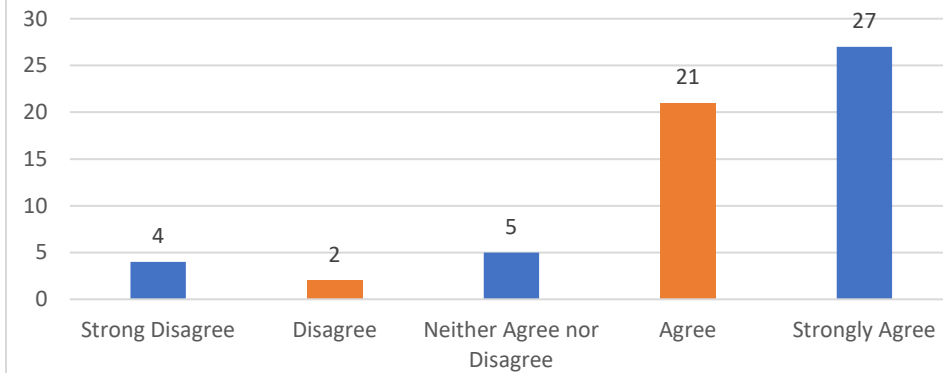


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Q13: If currently employed, to what extent do you agree with the following statements: - My current job is related to my MPA degree X On-Campus or Online MPA.

	On-Campus MPA	Online MPA
Strong Disagree	6	0
Disagree	2	1
Neither Agree nor Disagree	7	0
Agree	27	3
Strongly Agree	10	2
Total	52	6

Q14: If currently employed, to what extent do you agree with the following statements: - My MPA degree has helped me advance professionally.

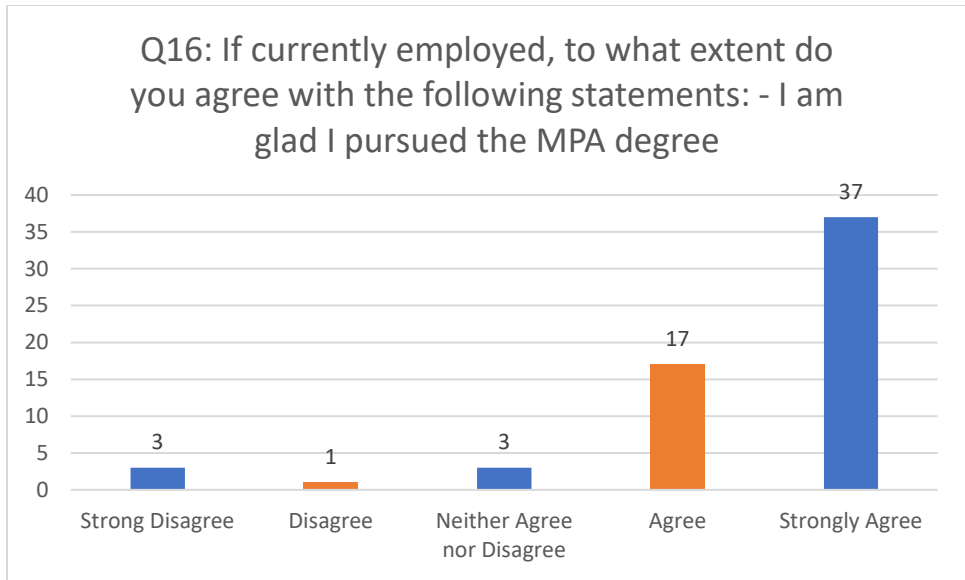


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Q15: If currently employed, to what extent do you agree with the following statements: - My MPA degree has helped me advance professionally X On-Campus or Online MPA.

	On-Campus MPA	Online MPA
Strong Disagree	4	0
Disagree	1	1
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5	0
Agree	18	3
Strongly Agree	25	2
Total	53	6



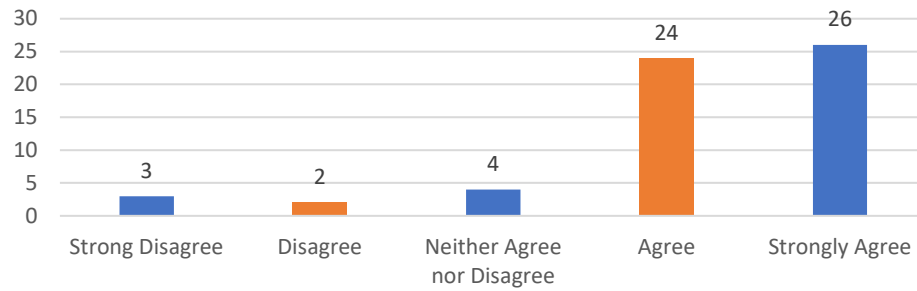


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Q17: If currently employed, to what extent do you agree with the following statements: - I am glad I pursued the MPA degree X On-Campus or Online MPA.

	On-Campus MPA	Online MPA
Strong Disagree	3	0
Disagree	1	0
Neither Agree nor Disagree	2	1
Agree	14	3
Strongly Agree	35	2
Total	55	6

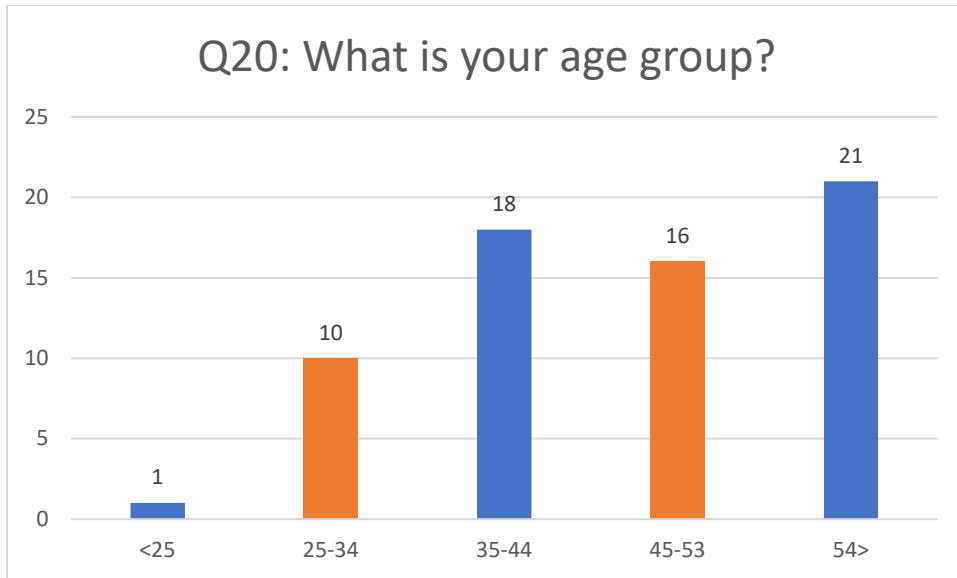
Q18: If currently employed, to what extent do you agree with the following statements: - I am satisfied with my job.



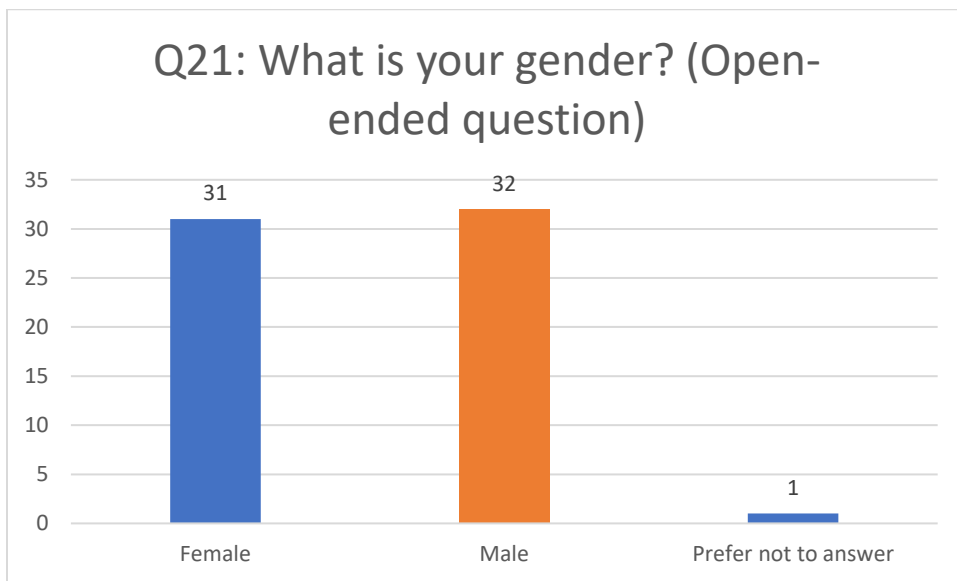
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Q19: If currently employed, to what extent do you agree with the following statements: - I am satisfied with my job. X On-Campus or Online MPA.

	On-Campus MPA	Online MPA
Strong Disagree	3	0
Disagree	2	0
Neither Agree nor Disagree	3	1
Agree	21	3
Strongly Agree	24	2
Total	53	6



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Q22 If employed, what is your current job title and organization name?

- Clinic Coordinator Neighborhood Free Health Clinic
- Teacher. Green Bay School District
- City Administrator
- Evaluation and Compliance Coordinator, Western Technical College
- Principal Planner: City of Menasha
- Senior Editor USDA-SARE Program
- Principal, Raymond E. Grundman & Associates, LLC
- Special Payroll University of Connecticut Honors & Enrichment Programs
- Tax Rep Wisconsin Department of Revenue

Social Worker, Oshkosh Correctional Institution  
President, Junior Achievement of Wisconsin  
Employment Coordinator Evergreen Retirement Community  
Chief Inspector / Zoning Administrator City of Wausau  
Manager of Student Conduct Fox Valley Technical College  
Vice President, Business Development Pfefferle Companies, Inc.  
Battalion Chief, City of Appleton Fire Department  
TotalTek Engineering Sr Account Recruitment Manager  
Manager of Sales and Service for Customer Owned Equipment. United Rentals Inc.  
Chief of Staff, UW Oshkosh  
Law Enforcement (Police Chief) and Village Administrator  
President/CEO  
Regional Career Pathway State Coach, CESA 11  
Police Lieutenant for the UW-Madison Police Department.  
Director of RCR Education UW-Madison  
ACO Program Manager; ThedaCare  
Enrollment manager, Lakeland Care, Inc.  
Healthcare Management at the Director to VP level  
Contacting Officer  
City Administrator, City of Stillwater, MN  
District attorney office  
Battalion Chief Milwaukee Fire Department  
Part-Time Instructor, Mid-State Technical College  
Municipal Planning Consultant  
Wisconsin State Patrol  
Director Health and Human Services Outagamie County  
Manager of Operations, Goodwill Industries of North Central WI  
Director, Juvenile Court Intake (Kenosha County)  
Wisconsin State Pharmacy Benefit, Uniform Dental, Supplemental Dental, Vision Accident Plan  
and Long-Term Care Programs Manager at the Wisconsin Department of Employee Trust Funds  
NE Region Director, WI Department of Health Services, Division of Public Health  
Director of Development  
Chief of Police  
Ifs Channel Director  
Waushara County Health Officer/ Director of Health Department  
Lieutenant, Grand Chute Fire Dept  
Behavioral Treatment Therapist Intern- WI Early Autism Project  
Village Administrator Village of Hortonville WI  
Human services specialist. State of Florida  
Technical Operations Specialist Fox Valley Technical College  
Speaker, Coach  
Teacher, WI Dept of Corrections