

# Survey of Masters Degree Alumni Spring 2023

MA Psychology Alumni



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## Satisfaction with Degree Program

| Number of Respondents: 8  |                       |      |           |           |                    |
|---|-----------------------|------|-----------|-----------|--------------------|
|   | Very Dissatisfied - 1 | 2    | 3         | 4         | Very Satisfied - 5 |
| <b>Ability to read and listen carefully to ideas and information, to understand those ideas, and to convey them to other people using both language and modes (written, oral, digital) appropriate to the intended audience</b> |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 0.0%      | 25.0% (2) | 75.0% (6)          |
| <b>Ability to define and to respond to problems, challenges, and opportunities by employing logical, informed, and creative solutions</b>   |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 12.5% (1) | 12.5% (1) | 75.0% (6)          |
| <b>Ability to balance personal and professional challenges, to respond to changing realities, and to persevere through difficulty and unexpected situations</b>   |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 12.5% (1) | 25.0% (2) | 62.5% (5)          |
| <b>Ability to work respectfully and productively with people from diverse backgrounds, identities, and perspectives</b>   |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 12.5% (1) | 12.5% (1) | 75.0% (6)          |
| <b>Ability to learn, to actively pursue knowledge, and to continuously self-evaluate in current circumstances</b>   |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 12.5% (1) | 12.5% (1) | 75.0% (6)          |
| <b>Ability to develop perspectives and understanding of the human experience</b>  |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 0.0%      | 25.0% (2) | 75.0% (6)          |
| <b>Ability to communicate effectively in writing</b>  |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 25.0% (2) | 25.0% (2) | 50.0% (4)          |
| <b>Ability to work as a team member</b>   |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 12.5% (1) | 12.5% (1) | 75.0% (6)          |
| <b>Ability to work as a team leader</b>   |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 12.5% (1) | 25.0% (2) | 62.5% (5)          |
| <b>Ability to accept responsibility</b>   |                       |      |           |           |                    |
| MA Psychology   | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 12.5% (1) | 0.0%      | 87.5% (7)          |

| <b>Satisfaction with Degree Program</b>  |                       |      |            |           |                    |
|--|-----------------------|------|------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Number of Respondents: 8   |                       |      |            |           |                    |
|  | Very Dissatisfied - 1 | 2    | 3          | 4         | Very Satisfied - 5 |
| <b>Ability to engage with people from different local and global cultures</b>  |                       |      |            |           |                    |
| MA Psychology  | 0.0%                  | 0.0% | 12.5% (1)  | 25.0% (2) | 62.5% (5)          |
| <b>Ability to understand and demonstrate effective work habits and act in the interest of the larger community and workplace</b> |                       |      |            |           |                    |
| MA Psychology  | 0.0%                  | 0.0% |            | 12.5% (1) | 50.0% (4)          |
| <b>Satisfaction with Degree Program</b>  |                       |      |            |           |                    |
|  | <b>No</b>             |      | <b>Yes</b> |           |                    |
| <b>2. Would you recommend Southeastern to someone interested in what you majored in?</b>   |                       |      |            |           |                    |
| MA Psychology  | 0.0%                  |      | 100.0% (8) |           |                    |

**Graduate Professional Education**

Three (37.5%) of the respondents plan on enrolling in a second Master’s degree program in the future and five (62.5%) have no plans for further education.

**Employment**

All (100.0%) of the respondents are currently employed full-time . Most alumni (87.5%, n=7) are employed in the state of Louisiana, while one (12.5%) is employed outside the state. Four (50.0%) are employed in higher education, one (12.5%) in government, one (12.5%) in a professional firm, one (12.5%) in business, and one (12.5%) in a nonprofit. Five (62.5%) respondents indicated their education was “Very Effective” in preparing them for employment or improving their job performance and three (37.5%) indicated it was “Effective”. Three (37.5%) of the respondents are employed in the area of their Southeastern master’s degree, four (50.0%) in a related area, and one (12.5%) in an unrelated area. One (12.5%) respondent indicated a salary range of \$30,001-\$40,000, two (25.0%) indicate \$40,001-\$50,000, three (37.5%) indicated \$50,001-\$60,000, one (12.5%) indicate \$60,001-\$70,000, and one (12.5%) greater than \$80,000.

**Overall Satisfaction with Southeastern**

In general, respondents were satisfied with Southeastern. Fifty percent (50.0%, n=4) had a Very Positive general attitude toward Southeastern, and an additional 37.5% (n=3) had a Positive general attitude toward Southeastern. One (12.5%) had a Neutral attitude. When asked if they would recommend Southeastern to a friend or family member considering graduate education,

62.5% (n=5) said they would with no reservation and 37.5% (n=3) indicated they would with some reservations.

The majority (75.0%, n=6) of the respondents indicated that if they were to do it again, they would elect to attend Southeastern for their Master's degree, one (12.5%) were not sure if they would, and one (12.5%) would not. Respondents were also asked if their college education had improved the quality of their life, regardless of the financial benefits. All (100.0%, n=8) of the respondents indicated that the quality of their life had not improved.