# FITCHBURG STATE UNIVERSITY

## Fifth Year Alumni Feedback (2013 14 Graduates)

Survey Title:

Fifth Year Alumni Feedback (2013/14)

# **Responses By Question Analysis:**

1. We would like to know about your short-term plans. Please mark each of the following as they relate to you currently:

	Yes	No	Not Applicable	Response Total	Points	Avg
I am currently employed or have a job offer in a field closely related to my degree	62.5% (5)0% (0)	37.5% (3)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
I am currently employed or have a job offer in a field that is not related to my degree	50% (4)0% (0)	37.5% (3)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	8	0	0
I am searching for employment in a field closely related to my degree	12.5% (1)0% (0)	62.5% (5)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	8	0	0
l am searching for employment in a field not closely related to my degree	0% (0)0% (0)	75% (6)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	8	0	0
I have been accepted into a graduate program to continue my education at Fitchburg State University	0% (0)0% (0)	44.44% (4)0% (0)	55.56% (5)0% (0)	9	0	0
I have been accepted into a graduate or doctoral program to continue my education at another institution	12.5% (1)0% (0)	37.5% (3)0% (0)	50% (4)0% (0)	8	0	0
I am not planning to continue my education at this time	50% (4)0% (0)	37.5% (3)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	8	0	0
I am a member of the Armed Forces	0% (0)0% (0)	100% (8)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
			Total Respondents	8		

2. How many times have you changed employers or been promoted since graduation five years ago?

1. 2

2. I have had a few part time jobs to get through grad school but o have only had one full time job.

3. No change in employers. No promotions

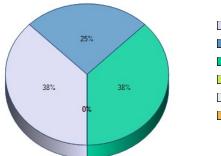
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5. I earned a doctorate degree and worked per diem in 4 different places

- 6. 3
- 7. 4 or 5
- 8. 0 times.

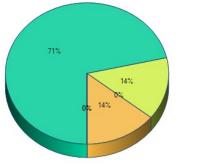
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3. Are you satisfied with the course of your career thus far?



	Response Total	Response Percent			
Very Satisfied	3	38%			
Satisfied	2	25%			
Neutral	3	38%			
Dissatisfied	0	0%			
Very Dissatisfied	0	0%			
Not Working at This Time	0	0%			
Total Re	Total Respondents				

- 4. Where are you currently employed and what is your job title?
- UMASS Memorial Medical Center- Registered Nurse 1.
- 2. Fitchburg public schools. School Psychologist
- 3. UMass Memorial Medical Center - Registered Nurse
- 4. Dollartree Billerica Ma. Merchandising manager.
- 5. Physical Therapist, Sterling Village, Sterling MA
- 6. AMGEN, senior executive assistant
- 7. Anytime Fitness, personal training director
- 8. Emerson Hospital, Registered Nurse
- 5. In what sector are you employed?



	Response Total	Response Percent
Not employed	0	0%
Self-employed	0	0%
For-profit corporation/company	5	71%
Government or other public insitution or agency	1	14%
Military	0	0%
Non-profit organization, institution or NGO	1	14%
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 $\textbf{6.} \ \ \text{Please select the industry that best describes your employer}.$ 

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	Response Total	Response Percent
N/A - Not working	0	0%
Agriculture	0	0%
Biotech/Pharmaceutical	1	12%
Business Services	0	0%
Communications/Marketing/PR	0	0%
Computer Science/Technology	0	0%
Education: Higher Education	0	0%
Education: PreK - High School	1	12%
Engineering	0	0%
Environment	0	0%
Financial Services	0	0%
Fine/Performing Arts	0	0%
Food Service	0	0%
Healthcare	4	50%
Hospitality/Tourism/Travel	0	0%
Information Technology	0	0%
Law/Legal Services	0	0%
Manufacturing	0	0%
Media/Journalism/Publishing	0	0%
Medicine	0	0%
Military/Defense	0	0%
Politics/Public Policy/Advocacy	0	0%
Retail	1	12%
Social Services	0	0%
Sports/Fitness	1	12%
Technology	0	0%
Other, please specify	0	0%
Total Re	spondents	8

7. We are always interested in our Alumni's continued interest in their personal and professional development. Which, if any, professional organizations have you joined since completing your program of study?

- 1. American Nurses Association
- Oncology Nurse Society
- 2. National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) Massachusetts School Psychologists Association (MSPA)
- 3. Mass nurses association
- 4. none
- 5. HPSCO
- 6. American council on exercise (ACE)
- 7. None

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question) 8. We believe that Fitchburg State Alumni are always expanding their body of knowledge and would like to know what types of professional development activities you have engaged in since completion of you program of study? (i.e. attended conferences or workshops, given presentation at conference or workshops, conducting scholarly research, licensures or certifications completed, etc.)

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1. Oncology Certified Nurse (National Certification)

- 2. Licensed school psychologist, nationally certified school psychologist
- 3. Frequent education and resfresher courses for RNs. BLS, ACLS, transplant course, peritoneal dialysis
- 3. course. Labor summit conference spring 2019 with Mass Nurses Assoc.
- 4. N/A
- 5. I did throughout grad school
- 6. ACE personal training certification and specialties in functional training and behavioral change. Also certified in CPR, first aid, and AED.
- 7. I now have my PALS and ACLS certifications. Going shortly for my medical surgical certification

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**9.** We like to know where our graduates are in the world. Please provide us with the city and state or country in which you currently reside.

1. Wrentham Massachusetts, with my husband Scott Dion (Fitchburg, '13)

- 2. Fitchburg, MA
- 3. Fitchburg, MA
- 4. Chelmsford, Ma
- 5. Worcester MA
- 6. Templeton, MA
- 7. Denver, CO
- 8. Leominster MA

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# **10.** Rate the quality of the following with respect to the degree you received five years ago:

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Response Total	Points	Avg
Quality of faculty instruction	62.5% (5)0% (0)	37.5% (3)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Level of individual attention	62.5% (5)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Quality of academic advisement	62.5% (5)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Curriculum linked to job related skills and knowledge	37.5% (3)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	37.5% (3)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Preparation to meet the demands of my job	37.5% (3)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	50% (4)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Preparation to continue my education	28.57% (2)0% (0)	57.14% (4)0% (0)	14.29% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	7	0	0
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 $\label{eq:11.1} \textbf{11.} Please select your level of agreement with the following statements:$ 

	Very High	High	Average	Low	Very Low	Response Total	Points	Avg
Overall satisfaction with my experience with Fitchburg State University	62.5% (5)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
				Total R	Respondents	8		

12. Looking back at your academic career at Fitchburg State University, please select your level of agreement with the following:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Response Total	Points	Avg	
The social and interpersonal skills you developed have impacted your life	62.5% (5)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0	
You have benefitted from the personal connections you made	37.5% (3)0% (0)	37.5% (3)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0	
You have benefitted from the social networks of which you were/are a part	(0)	37.5% (3)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0	
The benefits of attending were worth the financial cost	62.5% (5)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	8	0	0	
				Total I	Respondents	8			

13. How well did Fitchburg State University prepare you in terms of the following skill sets:

	Very Well	Well	Neutral	Poorly	Very Poorly	Response Total	Points	Avg
Ability to think analytically and logically	62.5% (5) 0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	12.5% (1) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to acquire new skills and knowledge on your own	75% (6)0% (0)	12.5% (1) 0% (0)	12.5% (1) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to use the knowledge, ideas, or perspectives gained from your major field	62.5% (5) 0% (0)	37.5% (3) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to orally communicate well	62.5% (5) 0% (0)	37.5% (3) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to judge information/ideas/actions/conclusions based on sources/methods/reasoning	62.5% (5) 0% (0)	37.5% (3) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to write effectively	62.5% (5) 0% (0)	37.5% (3) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to use information technology in intellectual and/or professional pursuits	44.44% (4) 0% (0)	33.33% (3) 0% (0)	11.11% (1) 0% (0)	11.11% (1) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	9	0	0
Ability to understand and appreciate cultural and ethnic differences between people	62.5% (5) 0% (0)	37.5% (3) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to understand international perspectives on economic, political, social, and cultural issues	25% (2)0% (0)	50% (4)0% (0)	12.5% (1) 0% (0)	12.5% (1) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to gain an understanding of or appreciation for the arts	33.33% (3) 0% (0)	22.22% (2) 0% (0)	33.33% (3) 0% (0)	11.11% (1) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	9	0	0
Ability to understand and apply quantitative principles and methods	62.5% (5) 0% (0)	37.5% (3) 0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Ability to understand scientific method	75% (6)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
				Total Res	pondents	8		

14. How well did Fitchburg State University prepare you for the following personal and professional situational skill sets:

	Very Well	Well	Neutral	Poorly	Very Poorly	Response Total	Points	Avg
Your ability to work as a member of a team or group	75% (6)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Your ability to get along with people of diverse backgrounds and perspectives	87.5% (7)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Your ability to lead others effectively	62.5% (5)0% (0)	25% (2)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Your ability to evaluate and choose between alternative courses of action	87.5% (7)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
Your awareness of contemporary issues and their cause and consequences	75% (6)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	12.5% (1)0% (0)	0% (0)0% (0)	8	0	0
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15. What did we not ask you about but you feel we should know?

The nursing program is strong, but there isn't enough to actually prepare new grads for what they will face 1. on the job. The curriculum and boards prepare you for more ideal and unrealistic situations related to patient care.

Which courses I was required to take for me degree that I have never used and will probably never use. 2 What courses I felt were a waste of time and money.

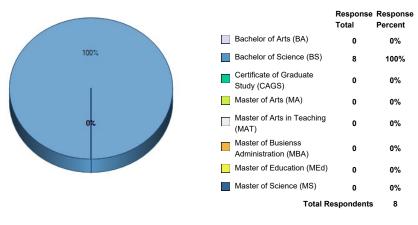
Overall I regret my degree in a way. Although I appreciate FSU and my degree I think I'd be in the same place I am know without tons of student debt. There is so little that can be done with an Exercise Science degree other than go for more schooling. So I started working as a personal trainer after graduation and have just bounced around gyms since then. Something I could've done with a certification and most do

3. without a degree. Now I'm an overqualified trainer with limited options. I'm barely keeping my head above water with bills so if I could go back I don't know if I'd choose that major again. I think what could help future students is the school getting more involved in having places that hold internships every semester and connections in the field for students to get started after graduation. Better transitions from graduation to a few different career paths within a field.

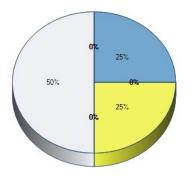
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 $\textbf{16.} \ \ \text{Please select the Degree you completed at Fitchburg State University from the list below.}$ 

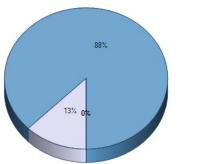


 $\ensuremath{\textbf{17.}}\ensuremath{\text{Please select the major field studied for your degree:}}$ 



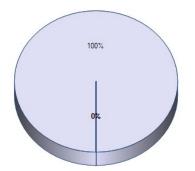
	Response Total	Response Percent
Arts Education (MEd only)	0	0%
Biology	0	0%
Business Administration	0	0%
Chemistry	0	0%
Clinical Mental Health Counseling	0	0%
Communication (MS only)	0	0%
Communications Media	0	0%
Computer Information Systems	0	0%
Computer Science	0	0%
Criminal Justice	0	0%
Curriculum and Teaching (MEd only)	0	0%
Early Childhood Education	0	0%
Educational Leadership and Management (MEd only)	0	0%
Economics	0	0%
Elementary Education	0	0%
English Studies	0	0%
Environmental and Earth Science	0	0%
Exercise and Sports Science	4	50%
Game Design	0	0%
Geographic Science and Technology	0	0%
History	0	0%
Human Services	0	0%
Industrial Technology	0	0%
Interdisciplinary Studies	0	0%
LECOM Early Acceptance	0	0%
Mathematics	0	0%
Middle School Education	0	0%
Nursing - General	2	25%
Nursing - LPN to Baccalaureatte	0	0%
Nursing - RN to Baccalaureatte	0	0%
Occupational/Vocational Education	0	0%
Political Science	0	0%
Psychological Science	2	25%
Science Education (MEd only)	0	0%
Sociology	0	0%
Special Education	0	0%
(Grades 5-12)	0	0%

 $\label{eq:18.1} \textbf{18.} \ \ \text{To which gender identity do you most identify}?$ 



	Response Total	Response Percent
Male	1	12%
Female	7	88%
Transgender Male	0	0%
Transgender Female	0	0%
Do not identify as female, male or transgender	0	0%
Total Respondents		8

# **19.** To which racial heritage do you predominantly identify?



	Response Total	Response Percent
White/Caucasian	8	100%
Asian	0	0%
Hispanic/Latino	0	0%
Black/African American	0	0%
American Indian	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Respondents		8

# 20. How many dependents do you have (not including yourself)?

