

**CAREER SERVICES
PLACEMENT REPORT
2003-2004**

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GRADUATE PLACEMENT REPORT 2003-2004 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Dickinson State University 2003-2004 Placement Report shows the total percent of graduates employed or pursuing additional education opportunities has reached a record level of 98.4%. This rate has steadily increased from 95% over the last 5 years. 81% of the graduates who are employed are employed in their major field, an increase of 5% over the previous and a continuation of five-year trend of growth in this regard.

The following highlights reflect other generalizations. Please note that placement statistics are not reported in a comparative format within the North Dakota University System so statistics are not readily available from other North Dakota universities for comparison.

- The rate of graduates remaining in North Dakota still remains high, but did decrease by 4% from 77% last year to 73% this year.
- The percentage of Dickinson State University graduates pursuing a graduate program remained the same as last year at 13%, but has increased 7% over the last 3 years from 6% to 13%
- The rate at which graduates receiving an associate degree are continuing at Dickinson State University in pursuit of a baccalaureate degree has increased from 54% in 2002-2003 to 58% in 2003-2004.



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Dickinson State University's 2003-2004 Graduate Placement Survey was conducted from mid July 2004 through the end of September 2004. Phone interviews were conducted with 320 of the 329 individuals who received degrees (3 chose not to participate and contact information was not available for 6 individuals). In addition to verifying current and permanent address information on file for them, each of the interview participants was asked the following questions:

- Are you working? If so, where?
- Are you working in your degree field or your major field of study?
- Are you still available for employment? If so, are you willing or in a position to relocate?
- Do you have any plans for graduate school?
- Would you be willing to share your salary range with us? If so, what is your current salary?

Five of the graduates who participated in the survey were not seeking employment or intending to pursue additional education. Of the 315 individuals remaining, 98.4% have obtained employment or are choosing to continue their education.

75% of the graduates participating in the survey are employed (meaning those graduates working or serving in the military, full or part-time, in or out of their major field), and 73% of the employed are working in North Dakota. This is a decrease of 4% over the previous year. Elementary education graduates make up a significant portion of this change. Of the graduates employed, 81% are employed in their major field of study. This represents an increase of 5% over the previous year.

93% (162 of 175) employed North Dakota graduates are employed in the state. 45% (28 out of 62) of the employed non-resident graduates are employed in North Dakota. This is a 12% increase over the previous year. Particularly noteworthy, 50% of the graduates from Montana are employed in North Dakota.

13.5% of those who received baccalaureate degrees are continuing their education in a graduate program, a slight increase over the previous year. 58% of those who received an associate's degree are pursuing baccalaureate studies at Dickinson State University, an increase of 4% over the previous year.

Placement statistics by degree and department are provided in Table 1. Nineteen graduates graduated with double degrees, and these graduates are included in both major areas. In addition, a number of the graduates that are attending graduate school or continuing their education are working full time as well, so they are also counted in both areas of our report.

Table 1: Graduate Placement 2003-2004 by Degree and Major

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION.....	59
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION	25
Teaching in State.....	5
Teaching out of State	9
Substitute Teaching, Aide, etc	6
Employed other than Teaching.....	2
Continuing Education	0
Available for Employment.....	0
Not Seeking Employment.....	2
No Information.....	1
SECONDARY EDUCATION	34
Teaching in State.....	16
Teaching out of State	6
Substitute Teaching, Aide, etc	5
Employed other than Teaching.....	5
Continuing Education	2
Available for Employment.....	0
Not Seeking Employment.....	1
No Information.....	1
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE	130
ACCOUNTING	15
Employed in State.....	10
Employed out of State.....	3
Continuing Education	1
Available for Employment.....	1
No Information	0
Employed in Major	13
Employed other than Major	0

AGRICULTURAL STUDIES	25
Employed in State	16
Employed out of State	7
Continuing Education	1
Available for Employment	1
No Information	0
Employed in Major	18
Employed other than Major	5
 BIOLOGY	 20
Employed in State	6
Employed out of State	4
Continuing Education	9
Available for Employment	0
Not Seeking Employment	1
Employed in Major	4
Employed other than Major	6
 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	 45
Employed in State	34
Employed out of State	7
Continuing Education	5
Available for Employment	0
No Information	0
Employed in Major	38
Employed other than Major	3
 CHEMISTRY	 3
Employed in State	1
Employed out of State	0
Continuing Education	2
Available for Employment	0
No Information	0
Employed in Major	0
Employed other than Major	1
 COMPUTER SCIENCE	 6
Employed in State	3
Employed out of State	2
Continuing Education	1
Available for Employment	0
No Information	0
Employed in Major	4
Employed other than Major	1

MATHEMATICS	2
Employed in State	0
Employed out of State	0
Continuing Education	1
Available for Employment	0
No Information	1
Employed in Major	0
Employed other than Major	0
 PSYCHOLOGY	 12
Employed in State	4
Employed out of State	3
Continuing Education	4
Available for Employment	0
No Information	1
Employed in Major	5
Employed other than Major	2
 WRITING	 2
Employed in State	2
Employed out of State	0
Continuing Education	0
Available for Employment	0
No Information	0
Employed in Major	2
Employed other than Major	0
 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING	 12
Employed in State	9
Employed out of State	3
Continuing Education	0
Available for Employment	0
No Information	0
Employed in Major	11
Employed other than Major	1

BACHELOR OF UNIVERSITY STUDIES44

Employed in State.....	36
Employed out of State.....	1
Continuing Education.....	6
Available for Employment.....	0
No Information.....	1
Not Seeking Employment.....	1
Employed in Major.....	29
Employed other than Major.....	8

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE27

Employed in State.....	10
Employed out of State.....	12
Continuing Education.....	3
Available for Employment.....	1
No Information.....	1
Employed in Major.....	14
Employed other than Major.....	8

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE12

Employed in State.....	5
Employed out of State.....	2
Continuing Education.....	5
Available for Employment.....	0
No Information.....	0
Employed in Major.....	3
Employed other than Major.....	4

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE12

AGRICULTURE SALES AND SERVICE.....11

Employed in State.....	1
Employed out of State.....	4
Continuing Education.....	4
Available for Employment.....	0
No Information.....	2
Employed in Major.....	5
Employed other than Major.....	0

FARM AND RANCH MANAGEMENT	1
Employed in State	0
Employed out of State	0
Continuing Education	1
Available for Employment	0
No Information	0
Employed in Major	0
Employed other than Major	0
 ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE	 48
OFFICE ADMINISTRATION	21
Employed in State	12
Employed out of State	2
Continuing Education	6
Available for Employment	0
Not Seeking Employment	1
Employed in Major	10
Employed other than Major	4
 PRACTICAL NURSING	 27
Employed in State	3
Employed out of State	2
Continuing Education	22
Employed in major while continuing education	12
Employed other than major while continuing education	3
Not employed while continuing education	7
Available for Employment	0
No Information	0
Employed in Major	5
Employed other than Major	0

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