GRADUATE STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
2017-18 GRADUATES
ABOUT THE GRADUATE STATUS REPORT

The Executive Summary contains post-graduation plans for Cal Poly's class of 2017-18. This report provides information about graduate outcomes (employment, graduate school, and other intentional pursuits), timelines for securing work, job locations based on California state regions, and median salary.

The figures reported are based on data collected from 3,533 graduates of the fall 2017 and spring 2018 classes for a total 67 percent response rate. This represents the highest student response rate to date. Career Services utilizes an online survey, email, telephone solicitation, employer and faculty information, and LinkedIn to secure data for this report.

The comprehensive Graduate Status Report includes additional graduate outcome information in the form of a universitywide summary sheet and college-specific summary sheets. Other relevant data highlighted include: majors related to jobs percentage, top employers, California employment regions, graduate schools and graduate degree programs, and job location. The detailed college status reports are located on our website and include job titles obtained by graduates, their employers, and where they are attending graduate school.

To view the detailed results from the 2017-18 Graduate Status Report, please visit our website at careerservices.calpoly.edu/gsr.

GRADUATE OUTCOMES

93% POSITIVELY ENGAGED

76% WORKING FULL-TIME
1% WORKING PART-TIME
14% ATTENDING GRADUATE SCHOOL
2% OTHER PURSUITS**
7% STILL SEEKING

Cal Poly graduates continue to successfully obtain their career goals, with 93 percent securing positive post-graduation outcomes (work, graduate school, and other intentional plans). The job market remains strong, with 77 percent of our graduates working (full time and part time) and 14 percent enrolled in graduate education. A minority of graduates seek other intentional plans (two percent), such as travel, gap-year experience, artistic pursuits, and family care. The percent of students still seeking employment is seven percent.

EMPLOYMENT TIMELINE

OF THOSE EMPLOYED, 100% HAD JOBS WITHIN NINE MONTHS OF GRADUATION

79% BEFORE GRADUATION
13% WITHIN 3 MONTHS
7% WITHIN 6 MONTHS
1% WITHIN 9 MONTHS

These results are based on a 67 percent response rate for the 2017-18 graduating class, with 79 percent securing work by graduation (7 percent increase compared to last year) and 100 percent within nine months of graduation. This represents a 7 percent increase compared to the 2016-17 class.
The majority of graduates (86 percent) start their careers in California. Their top three career destinations are the Bay Area (47 percent), Los Angeles and Southern counties (29 percent), and San Luis Obispo County (17 percent). Other Cal Poly graduates started their careers in other states (13 percent) and abroad (1 percent). Following California, the top states receiving Cal Poly talent are Washington, Colorado, Texas, Oregon, Arizona, New York, Nevada, Illinois, Idaho and Utah. The top countries receiving Cal Poly talent are Australia, Germany, Italy, Canada and Spain.

The overall median salary is $65,000, a $3,000 increase compared to last year with a higher deviation in engineering ($75,000). The salary differences reflect the conditions and demands of the economic market. Career Services continues to provide a high volume of recruiting, on-campus interviewing, networking, and job/internship posting opportunities for all majors.