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Employment

Report

2025 Graduating Class Survey Results

Overview

Earning your degree from Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning opens doors to countless opportunities, both during your time here and throughout your career. The vibrant University of Michigan alumni network is one of the largest, most supportive communities anywhere.

“Go Blue” connects us all, signaling a shared pride and commitment to excellence that can help you thrive wherever your journey takes you.

Our alumni follow diverse paths — working in corporations, nonprofits, established firms, and startups. Many come together to give back to the college, participating in networking events and career programs that foster meaningful connections and growth.

This report offers a snapshot of how our most recently surveyed graduates are making their mark.

(December 2024 & May/August 2025 graduates)



Taubman College Career Fair

94%

of 2025 graduates said their first position was related to their degree.

First destination survey: 68% response rate and 82% knowledge rate.

~11,000

U-M maintains one of the largest alumni networks with more than 700,000 alumni worldwide. Among them are approximately 11,000 Taubman College alumni working in 49 states and 91 countries.

“Taubman College broadened my perspective by exposing me to diverse ways of thinking about cities, systems, and people. It challenged me to approach problems from both global and interdisciplinary lenses, which continues to shape how I navigate my career today.”

Career and Professional Development

at Taubman College / U-M network

Our Career & Professional Development team is a strong complement to student's academic preparation, helping you make the most of your experience in the classroom and beyond. Our professional staff team specializes in architecture, urban planning, urban design, urban technology and real estate, offering guidance and resources tailored to your goals. Whether you're a student or an alum, you'll find support for building skills and managing your career every step of the way.

Serving Alumni and Students

The Taubman College community can take advantage of Career Forge — a platform designed to support your professional journey. Use it to access helpful career resources, connect with advisors, explore job opportunities, and engage directly with employers who value your skills.

Connecting Students and Employers

Taubman College hosts two career fairs each year that attract employers from all over the country eager to connect with our students. With both virtual and in-person options, it's easier than ever to take part. Our Portfolio Review and Speed Networking events with alumni create even more chances to build relationships and discover new opportunities.

Empowering Students to Explore Career Opportunities

The Career & Professional Development team organizes Career Treks in cities like Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Detroit, and Washington D.C., where groups of students connect with employers and alumni during a focused, short visit. The team actively supports students and alumni in exploration throughout their careers as new avenues of interest emerge.

The Career and Professional Development team serves both students and alumni at all stages of their career, providing support, resources and strategy regardless of the hiring market.



Career Trek in Boston



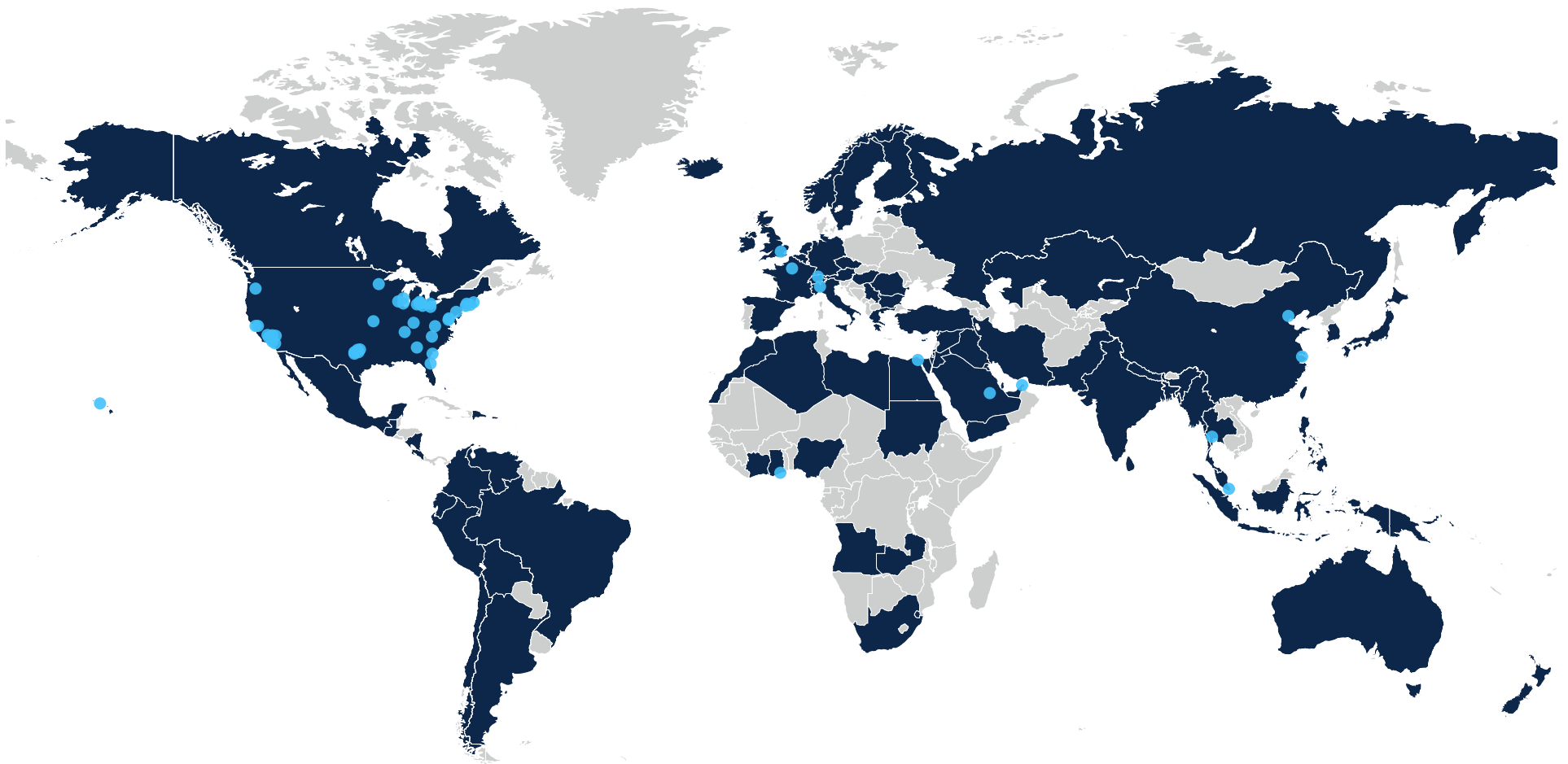
Speed Networking

Taubman College Alumni Locations

/ includes all degree programs

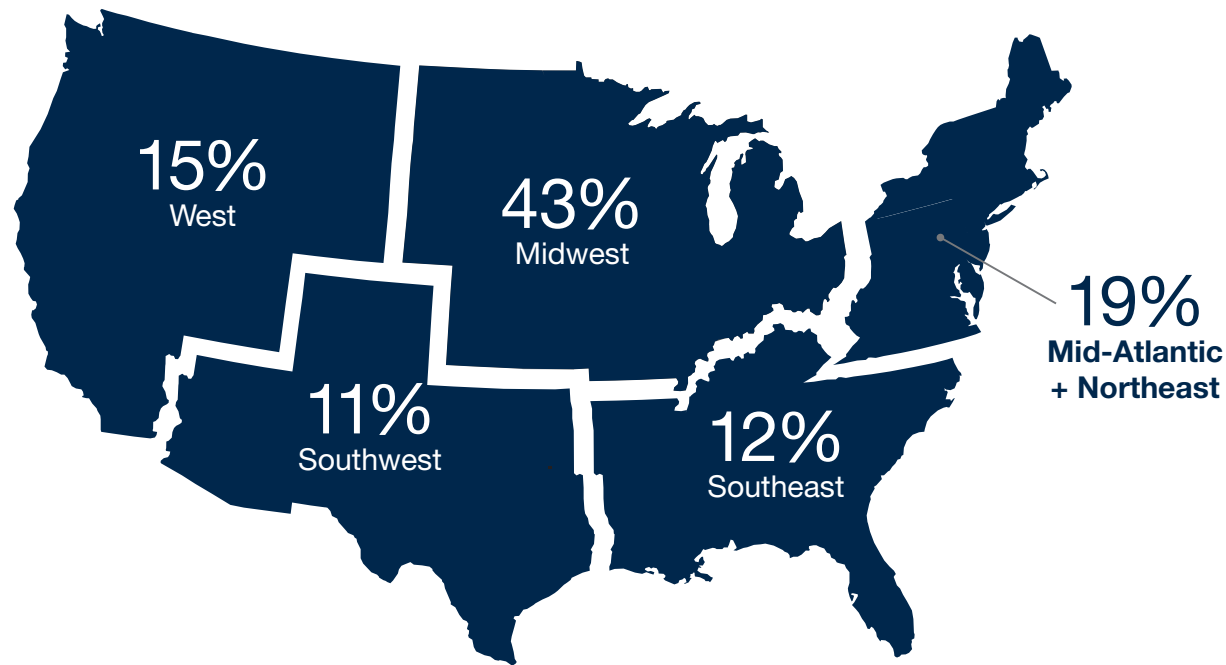
Our 2025 graduates took positions across the United States and in 12 other countries:
Canada, China, Egypt, France, Ghana, Italy, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Switzerland, Thailand,
United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom.

- 2025 Graduates
- All Taubman College Alumni



Taubman College Alumni Locations

/ includes all degree programs



“Taubman College challenged me to think critically about the built environment and equipped me with the skills and confidence to grow as a professional.”

91 Countries

Number of countries alumni are working in around the world

Top 10 (Non-U.S.) Countries

China, India, Canada, Republic of Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Hong Kong, Malaysia, United Kingdom, Singapore

Listed in order of greatest number of alumni.

Top 10 U.S. Metro Areas

Detroit, Chicago, San Francisco, New York, Los Angeles, Grand Rapids, Boston, Washington DC, Seattle, Atlanta

Listed in order of greatest number of alumni.

Master of Architecture / 2025 Grads

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Acoufelt	Ann Arbor, MI	Product Design Engineer
AKA Architects	Rochester, MI	Architectural Designer
Austin & Associates Architects and Planners	Saginaw, MI	Architectural Associate
BALANX-Bio	Lansing, MI	Product Designer
Beacon Projects	Carrollton, TX	Designer
Blue Zone Spaces	Ann Arbor, MI	Architectural Designer
CannonDesign	Chicago, IL	Architectural Designer
CannonDesign	Chicago, IL	Designer IB
CannonDesign	Chicago, IL	Architectural Designer
Challenge Detroit	Detroit, MI	Fellow
China State Construction Engineering Corporation	Shanghai, China	Assistant Architecture Designer
Christian Dean Architecture	Minneapolis, MN	Architectural Designer
CO Architects	Los Angeles, CA	Designer
CO Architects	Los Angeles, CA	Designer
CO Architects	Los Angeles, CA	Architectural Designer
Corgan	Dallas, TX	Project Specialist I
Czarnowski Collective	Farmington Hills, MI	3D Designer
David Chipperfield Architects	Milan, Italy	Design Collaborator
DIGroupArchitecture	New York, NY	Junior Architect
Empire Control Abatement	Brooklyn, NY	Junior Designer
Enviah Consulting	Lansing, MI	Senior Associate of Planning
Fielding International	Washington, D.C.	Architecture Designer
Fishbeck	Novi, MI	Architectural Intern
Fishbeck	Novi, MI	Architectural Designer
FORMM Studio	Los Angeles, CA	Designer
Framework E	Detroit, MI	Architectural Designer
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G.H. Forbes Associates Architects	Royal Oak, MI	Architectural Designer
GAV & Associates	Farmington, MI	Project Associate

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92%

Success Rate

91% Employed

1% Continuing Education

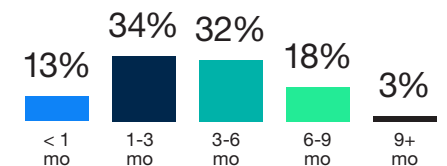
1% Not Seeking

7% Seeking Employment

97%

Position Related to Degree

Time to Find Position



At one-year survey, 69% response rate and 78% knowledge rate.

Master of Architecture / 2025 Grads (cont.)

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Gensler	Detroit, MI	Technical Designer
GMB Architecture + Engineering	Grand Rapids, MI	Project Architect
Goettsch Partners	Chicago, IL	Junior Architect
Harris Architects	Schaumburg, IL	Architectural Graduate
Heights Venture Architects	Dallas, TX	Designer
Helios Real Estate	Boston, MA	Architectural Assistant
HKS	Northville, MI	Design Professional I
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HOK	Detroit, MI	Senior Design Professional
HopkinsBurns	Ann Arbor, MI	Architectural Associate
HPI Architecture	Newport Beach, CA	Designer I
Hussey Gay Bell	Savannah, GA	Project Manager I
JLG Architects	Minneapolis, MN	Project Associate I
KIMOY Studios Architecture	New York, NY	Junior Architect
LBBA Architects	Chicago, IL	Designer
Legat Architects	Chicago, IL	Architecture Associate
Lina Ghotmeh Architecture	Paris, France	Intern
M Architects	Northville, MI	Architectural Designer
Mascari Dinh Architects	San Diego, CA	Drafter
Obata Noblin Office	San Francisco, CA	Designer
Partners by Design	Chicago, IL	Studio Architectural Designer
Perkins&Will	Minneapolis, MN	Designer I
Perkins&Will	New York, NY	Health Fellow
Populous	Kansas City, MO	Architectural Designer I
RDL Architects	Beachwood, OH	Visualization Designer
RINKA	Milwaukee, WI	Designer I
ROSSETTI	Detroit, MI	Architectural Designer
Self Employed / Freelance	Lansing, MI	Principal Designer
Self-Employed / Freelance	Shanghai, China	Set Designer

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“Taubman College helped me understand the importance of recognizing my goals early and building the skills to pursue them with intention. The program taught me to accumulate experience step by step and to start exploring real-world practice as soon as possible. That mindset has shaped my career and continues to guide my growth in the profession.”

Master of Architecture / 2025 Grads (cont.)

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Skidmore Owings Merrill (SOM)	Chicago, IL	Intermediate Designer
Song United	Detroit, MI	Real Estate Development Intern
Taubman College of Architecture & Urban Planning	Ann Arbor, MI	Associate Researcher & TV Lab Resident
The Collaborative + Acock	Ann Arbor, MI	Design Professional
Tim Nichols Architect	Southfield, MI	Designer
TowerPinkster	Kalamazoo, MI	Architectural Technician
Transform Mid-Atlantic + Neighborhood Design Center	Baltimore, MD	Community Engagement Coordinator
Washington Inventory Services/Otterbase Auburn	Auburn Hills, MI	Drafting Associate
Wendel Companies	Atlanta, GA	Architecture Designer I
Wight & Company	Chicago, IL	Architecture Professional
Williams Architects	Chicago, IL	Project Coordinator/Designer
WRA Architects	Plano, TX	Architectural Staff
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10/10

Top architecture firms have Taubman College graduates in leadership positions:

Gensler
Perkins&Will
HKS
Corgan
Jacobs
HDR
Populous
AECOM
Stantec Inc.
HOK

Source: *Architectural Record* 2026

Master of Science in Architecture Digital Materials and Technology / December 2024 Graduates

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
AO	Orange, CA	Designer
Avalon International Aluminum	Portland, OR	Computational Designer

SCHOOL	LOCATION	ROLE
Princeton University	Princeton, NJ	Ph.D. Student
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Cambridge, MA	Graduate Student

“Taubman College provided extraordinary opportunities for people who are interested in architectural research, by offering lots of chances for students to work directly with faculty members on publication-oriented projects.”

80%

Success Rate

40% Employed

40% Continuing Education

20% Seeking Employment

At one-year survey, 33% response rate and 83% knowledge rate.

Master of Urban Design

/ December 2024 Graduates

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Acoufelt	Auburn Hills, MI	Project Designer
Atelier HAY CoLab	Toledo, OH	Urban Designer
Beijing Jibgshan Park Management Center	Beijing, China	Clerk
CO Architects	Los Angeles, CA	Designer
OX Studio	Ann Arbor, MI	Architectural Associate
Starrdesign	Charlotte, NC	Architectural Designer
Steinberg Hart	San Francisco, CA	Urban Planner
Taubman College of Architecture & Urban Planning	Ann Arbor, MI	Research Assistant
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The American University in Cairo	Cairo, Egypt	Research Assistant / Teaching Assistant
Walker Macy	Portland, OR	Urban Designer

“Start early. Build relationships. Follow up. Know what you’re looking for but be prepared to embrace opportunities you weren’t even looking for...”

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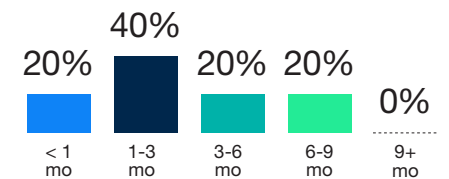
Success Rate

100% Employed

100%

Position Related to Degree

Time to Find Position



At one-year survey, 69% response rate and 92% knowledge rate.

Bachelor of Science in Architecture / 2025 Grads

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Baumann Consulting	Chicago, IL	Building Enclosure Consultant
BDT & MSD Partners	New York, NY	Real Estate Private Equity Analyst
Cadaster	Ann Arbor, MI	Research Assistant
Center Design + Build	Ypsilanti, MI	Architectural Designer
Cole Valley Partners	Portland, OR	Real Estate Development Analyst
Creative Artists Agency	New York, NY	Experiential Designer
DeRoche Strohmayr	Accra, Ghana	Intern
DLZ Detroit	Detroit, MI	Architectural Associate I
Eastbrook Homes	Grand Rapids, MI	Architectural Drafter
Fieldgate Construction Management	Toronto, Canada	Construction Project Coordinator
Ghafari Associates	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Architectural Designer
GoodMart	New York, NY	Junior Lighting Estimator / Quotation Specialist
Goring and Straja Architects	Berkeley, CA	Architectural Designer
HKS	Singapore, Singapore	Architectural Designer
Ibanez Shaw Architects	Fort Worth, TX	Contract Designer
JP Architects	Chicago, IL	Architectural Associate
Loom+Ten Gallery	San Francisco, CA	Gallery Manager
Magnet ABA	Ypsilanti, MI	Behavioral Therapist
MKB Architects	Chicago, IL	Architectural Associate
MVE + Partners	Irvine, CA	Emerging Professional
Nike	Ann Arbor, MI	Junior Retail Store Designer
Oak Leaf Design Build	Ann Arbor, MI	Design Intern
OBP	Honolulu, HI	Urban Planning Drafter
Paradis and Associates	Rochester, MI	Project Engineer
Platinum Pool	Chicago, IL	Designer

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95%

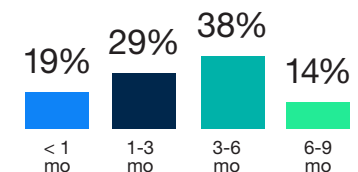
Success Rate

67% Employed

28% Continuing Education

5% Seeking Employment

Time to Find Position



At 9 months, 61% response rate
and 80% knowledge rate.

Bachelor of Science in Architecture / 2025 Grads (cont.)

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Pool Architekten	Zurich, Switzerland	Architecture Intern
Progressive Companies	Detroit, MI	Architectural Staff
Racing Louisville FC	Louisville, KY	Professional Athlete
Seven Generations Architecture & Engineering	Kalamazoo, MI	Architecture Associate
Stantec	Washington, D.C.	Architectural Designer
stu/D/O Architects	Bangkok, Thailand	Architectural Intern
Suk Design Studio	New York, NY	Intern Architect
Sweet Water Foundation	Chicago, IL	Global Urban Ecology & Design Fellow
TMP Architecture	Bloomfield Hills, MI	Architectural Designer
Treeline Church	Ann Arbor, MI	Visual Arts Lead

2025 graduates continued their education at the following schools:

Columbia University
Harvard University
Megawra Built
Environment Collective
Princeton University
University of Oregon
University of California, Berkeley
University of Michigan
University of Southern California
University of Texas at Austin
Yale University

“All these opportunities for networking that were provided by Taubman College were very helpful, and I’m very glad I was able to make the most of them.”

Master of Urban and Regional Planning / 2025 Grads

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Arup	Dubai, United Arab Emirates	Urban Planner
Beijing Investment Group	Beijing, China	Commerical Operations Staff
City of Detroit	Detroit, MI	Housing Development Specialist
DB Sterlin	Chicago, IL	Project Planner I
DLP Capital	Saint Augustine, FL	Analyst
Enterprise Singapore	Singapore, Singapore	Management Associate
Foursquare ITP	Philadelphia, PA	Transportation Planner
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson	New York, NY	Associate
Friends of the Wissahickon	Philadelphia, PA	Capital Projects Coordinator
Guidehouse	Ann Arbor, MI	Managing Consultant
Hubbell, Roth and Clark	Bloomfield Hills, MI	Graduate Landscape Designer I
Kern Council of Governments	Bakersfield, CA	Planning and Administrative Intern
Lord Aeck Sargent	Detroit, MI	Landscape/Urban Designer
Macomb County Planning and Economic Development	Mt. Clemens, MI	Community Growth Fellow
Michigan Department of Natural Resources	Ann Arbor, MI	Resource Analyst
ProsperUs Detroit	Detroit, MI	Collaborative Partnership Coordinator
Roanoke Valley - Alleghany Regional Commission	Roanoke, VA	Regional Planner II: Transportation
State of Michigan	Lansing, MI	Legislative Aide
The Community Preservation Corporation	New York, NY	Research and Policy Associate
University of Michigan	Detroit, MI	Client Outreach Manager
University of Minnesota Facilities Management	Minneapolis, MN	Project Coordinator
VSP Group	Irving, TX	Planning & Development Associate
Xenith IG	Singapore, Singapore	Junior GIS Officer

"I loved my time here and am very glad I chose to go back to school. I now get to work in the field I actually want to be in and feel qualified to be here. I refer to projects I did in the classroom and GIS skills regularly on the job. The Urban and Regional Planning program really prepared me to take the AICP exam."

96%

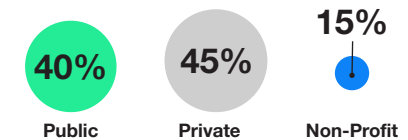
Success Rate

82% Employed

14% Continuing Education

4% Seeking Employment

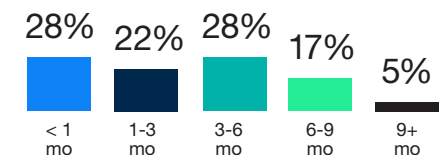
Sector of Work



89%

Position Related to Degree

Time to Find Position



At one-year survey, 76% response rate and 85% knowledge rate.

Bachelor of Science in Urban Technology / 2025 Grads

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Apex Placement & Consulting	Troy, MI	Brand Strategy Intern and Executive Assistant
Centro Health Solutions	Nashville, TN	Software Engineer
City of Detroit	Detroit, MI	MHC - Sustainability Fellow
Consumers Energy	Lansing, MI	GIS Technician I
DataArt	New York, NY	Associate Solution Consultant
Fehr & Peers	San Francisco, CA	Transportation Engineer/Planner I
Invenergy	Chicago, IL	Transmission Development Analyst
KODE Labs	Detroit, MI	Project Engineer
Landmark Properties	Atlanta, GA	Development Analyst
Sasaki	Boston, MA	UX Designer
Self Employed / Freelance	Chicago, IL	Freelance Design & Small Business Owner
Town of Foxborough	Foxborough, MA	Land Use and Economic Development Intern
TriPost Capital Partners	New York, NY	Investment Analyst
WSP	London, United Kingdom	Land Consultant

“The design elements of the coursework really set me apart. I applaud the UT program for making design an integral part of the curriculum. Being able to define and plan out a task, especially in a self-starting startup environment, is a co-equal ability to being able to execute on those plans.”

95%

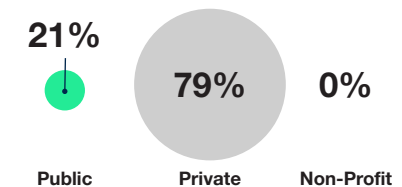
Success Rate

78% Employed

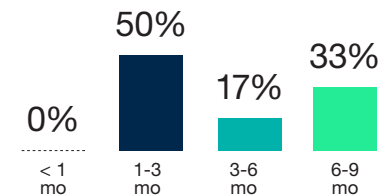
17% Continuing Education

5% Seeking Employment

Sector of Work



Time to Find Position



2025 graduates continued their education at the following schools:

University of California, Berkeley
University of Pennsylvania
University of Southern California

At 9 months. 100% response rate.

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