CLASS OF 2017 POST-GRADUATION SUMMARY

This report is based on information from graduates and employment resources received within six months of graduation from 76.8 percent of the 929 members of the Class of 2017 (or 714 graduates).

Of those who responded:

- > 98 percent of the Class of 2017 has secured full-time professional employment, admission to graduate degree programs, or participation in volunteer service programs.
- > The average salary for the Class of 2017 is \$56,784 (excluding bonuses). This reflects an increase in salary from the Class of 2016 average which was \$53,910.
- > The percentage of graduates obtaining employment through Fairfield University resources, and campus recruiting is 48.5 percent.
- > Financial Services was the highest area of placement at 21.9 percent.
- > 26.7 percent of the Class gained admission into graduate school, with the greatest number entering programs in Business, Education, Arts and Sciences, Law, and Healthcare.

INTERNSHIPS AT FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY

Students at Fairfield University have an opportunity to earn academic credit and gain practical on-site work experience by pursuing internships in their major fields of study. Internships are coordinated by University faculty and on-site supervisors. Through these experiences students can enhance their learning and explore potential careers. Upon graduation, students are frequently offered positions within the sponsoring organization where they interned.

To register for credit internships, a student must obtain prior approval from the faculty member who coordinates the internship program in the department of his/her major.

During the 2016-2017 academic year, a total of 571 members of the Class of 2017 reported participating in internships during their time at Fairfield.

During the fall and spring semesters major organizations recruit juniors and occasionally sophomores for their summer internship program through the Academic and Career Development Center. These organizations will often conduct on-campus interviews. Students who are hired gain a broad understanding of the organization and industry, and often receive full-time employment offers at the completion of the internship.

Students are encouraged to search the Center's Stags4Hire site.

RECRUITING

Fairfield University utilizes a web-based college recruiting system used by more than 500 career centers. Stags4Hire houses the on-campus recruitment program that allows students to upload their resumes and apply for job opportunities directed at Fairfield students. In addition, the system has regional and national internship and employment opportunities.

Employers looking to hire but unable to visit campus post opportunities on the site. Full-time and part-time preprofessional employment opportunities are accessible to students and alumni of Fairfield University. Annually more than 4,000 full-time and part-time positions are listed.

AVERAGE SALARIES BY INDUSTRY





*Due to the 150-credit hour requirement many accounting majors pursue additional schooling prior to entering the workforce.

