Class of 2015 Graduate Outcomes

The following information was gathered between graduation and six-months, through a survey, which yielded a 70% response rate. As of December 2015:

→ **65% are working at a full or part-time job.**

→ Of those employed, 59% indicate working for an organization, 2% are engaged in a start-up business, 4% are self-employed, and 1% are engaged in military service.

→ **21% are enrolled in additional education.** Of those, example degrees being pursued include Master of Science degrees, A Doctor of Philosophy, Juris Doctor, and Master of Education degrees.

→ **Top industries:** 24% are employed in Health Services; 9.2% are employed in Education and 6.4% are employed in Medicine.

→ Key Geographic Locations: 65% are working in New York State; 6.1% are working in Connecticut and 4.1% in Massachusetts.

→ When searching for a post-graduation occupation, the majority searched near their hometown, while some searched near Oneonta or in a specific city or region.

→ Engagement: While at Hartwick, 65% report having completed an internship, 37% reported having completed service learning. 21% of those who completed an internship, were offered a position as a result of the internship. 88% of respondents felt that doing an internship was helpful or very helpful for preparing for the workplace.

→ **Satisfaction:** 80% of respondents are doing something now that is somewhat or very related to his or her major. 80% are somewhat or very satisfied with their current occupation.

Hartwick contracted with a third party this year to enhance its documentation of first destination graduate outcomes. CSO’s The Outcomes Survey collects valid, reliable, and comprehensive data on employment, graduates school admissions, and other aspects of post-graduation career development that can be used in reporting to the White House College Scorecard, Business Week and US News & World Report. The Survey also meets Rubio-Wyden “Student Right to Know Before You Go” standards, the new guidelines from the National Association of College and Employers (NACE), and standards under consideration by the US Department of Education related to financial aid and gainful employment in recognized occupations.

In addition to data on employment and graduate school admissions, The Outcomes Survey collects data on student participation in Internships and experiential education, levels of engagement in their search for post-graduation work, satisfaction with their first destination, and personal motivations in seeking work or further education.