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## **CAREER SERVICES REPORT**

### **Report on the Graduate/Professional Program Acceptances of 2013 Marywood Undergraduate Alumni**

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## **Section One**

### **Executive Summary**

#### **Introduction**

The following is a report on the graduate and professional school activities of the 2013 Marywood University undergraduate alumni. The report consists of three sections. Section One describes the objectives and methodology used for the survey. Section Two provides information on graduate/professional programs' rankings, degrees, and area of studies pursued by undergraduate alumni. In some instances, alumni reported acceptances into more than one program (Section Three).

#### **Objectives**

The survey was conducted to address Goal 1 and Objective B of the Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives 2010 – 2015. The data will be used to create a baseline for tracking undergraduate alumni's success in obtaining acceptance to more selective graduate schools and professional programs. Two critical success factors found were:

1. 46% (n = 166) of 2013 Marywood undergraduate alumni respondents indicated acceptances into graduate/professional programs compared to 37% (n = 127) in 2012.
2. Of the 166 respondents 48% (86) were accepted into, and will attend, ranked graduate/professional programs. This percent is not comparable to the previous year. According to U.S. News and World Report, "rankings from previous years contain valid information but are not necessarily comparable with ranking based on data collected and analyzed this year." This is likely due to yearly changes in ranking a greater number of graduate/professional programs as well as there are not always ranks reported for some majors (U.S. News and World Report, 2012).

#### **Methodology**

Participants selected were 2013 undergraduates graduating from this university. Information was obtained during the spring-fall 2013 semester from: the College Senior Survey, department chairpersons' reports, and an internet survey sent out to alumni. 359 Marywood undergraduate students responded to the College Senior Survey in 2013. 166 undergraduate alumni reported being accepted into a graduate/professional program, representing 46% of the Class of 2013.

Schools were ranked according to 2014 U.S. News and World Report Best Graduate School Program ranks (when available). U.S. News and World Report's methodology for calculating ranks varies for each graduate program. Typically, programs that received a peer assessment score below a 2.0 are listed as "Rank Not Published" (U.S. News & World Report, 2012).



## Section Two

### Graduate/Professional Programs Attended by Marywood Undergraduate Alumni

Table 1 illustrates the ranked graduate school/professional degree programs pursued by 2013 undergraduate alumni. Overall, of those who responded, 93% attended graduate programs, 5% attended doctoral programs, and 2% attended professional internship/certification programs. Of those reportedly attending a graduate/professional program, 48% are attending ranked graduate/professional programs.

**Table 1**  
**Ranked Graduate School/Professional Programs Attended By Alumni**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Intended Degree</b>	<b>Area of Study</b>	<b>US News Graduate Program Rank</b>
Arizona State University	M.I.A.	Interior Architecture	22
Marywood University	M.S.	Speech-Language Pathology	229
Marywood University	M.S.	Physician Assistant	112
Marywood University	M.S.W.	Social Work	89
Marywood University	M.A.	Music Education	197
Marywood University	M.A.	Communication Arts	197
Marywood University	M.F.A.	Visual Arts in Painting	197
Marywood University	M.A.	Art Therapy	197
New York University	M.A.	Art Therapy	45
New York University	M.A.	Higher Education and Student Affairs	17
New York University	M.A.	Counseling in Mental Health and Wellness	10
Pratt Institute	M.A.	Art Therapy	27
Rhode Island School of Design	M.A.	Interior Architecture	2
The Pennsylvania State University	Ph.D.	Higher Education	28
The University of Scranton	M.S.	Counseling	30
The University of Scranton	M.H.S.A.	Health Services Administration	46
The University of Scranton	M.S.	School Counseling	30
The University of Texas at Austin	M.Ed.	Educational Administration	7
University of Hartford	M.F.A.	Illustration	153

Table 2 illustrates a complete list of graduate/professional programs other than Marywood University attended by 2013 undergraduate alumni. Program rankings were provided when available. Of those who responded, 27% of alumni were accepted into and attended graduate/professional schools outside of Marywood University.

**Table 2**  
**Other Graduate/Professional Schools Attended by 2013 Undergraduate Alumni**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Intended Degree</b>	<b>Area of Study</b>	<b>US News Graduate Program Rank</b>
Adams State University	M.A.	Counselor Education	
Arizona State University	M.I.A.	Interior Architecture	22
California University of Pennsylvania	M.Ed.	School Counseling	
Cedar Crest College	Internship	Dietetics	
East Stroudsburg University	M.S.	Athletic Training	
East Stroudsburg University	M.S.	Sports Management	
Immaculata University	M.A.	Counseling Psychology	
Keystone College	Certification	Accelerated Teaching	
Kings College	M.A.	Philosophy	
Leeds Metropolitan University	M.A.	Public Relations and Communication	
Long Island University-C.W. Post Campus	M.S.	Nutrition and Dietetics	
Montclair University	M.A.	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	
Nazareth College	M.A.	Art Therapy	
New York Chiropractic College	D.C.	Chiropractic	
New York University	M.A.	Art Therapy	45
New York University	M.A.	Higher Education and Student Affairs	17
New York University	M.A.	Counseling in Mental Health and Wellness	10
Northshore LIJ Healthcare	Internship	Dietetics	
Ohio University	M.M.	Woodwind Performance	
Pratt Institute	M.A.	Art Therapy	27
Rhode Island School of Design	M.A.	Interior Architecture	2
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey	M.B.S.	Kinesiology and Applied Physiology	
Seton Hill University	M.A.	Art Therapy	
Shippensburg University	M.S.	Geoenvironmental Science	
St. John's University	M.S.Ed.	Reading Specialist	
Texas A&M University	Ph.D.	Philosophy	
The Commonwealth Medical College	M.D.	Medicine	
The Pennsylvania State University	Ph.D.	Higher Education	28
The State University of New York	Ph.D.	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	
The State University of New York-Oneonta	M.S.	Nutrition	
The University of Scranton	M.S.	Counseling	30
The University of Scranton	M.H.S.A.	Health Services Administration	46
The University of Scranton	M.S.	School Counseling	30
The University of Texas at Austin	M.Ed.	Educational Administration	7
University of Hartford	M.F.A.	Illustration	153
University of Kentucky	M.S.	Nutrition	
Wesley Theological Seminary	Master's	Theological Studies	
West Chester University	M.A.	Clinical Psychology	
Wilkes University	M.B.A.	Business Administration	



Table 3 lists the area of study, degree, and frequency of 2013 undergraduate alumni who chose to pursue a graduate/professional study at Marywood University. Approximately 72% (n = 120) of alumni who responded attended Marywood University. Of those attending graduate school at Marywood University, the Speech-Language Pathology program (29%) attracted the greatest percentage of alumni followed by the Physician Assistant program (12.5%), the Biotechnology program (10%) and the Interior Architecture/Design program (8%).

**Table 3**  
**2013 Undergraduate Alumni Attending Marywood University**

<b>Area of Study</b>	<b>Intended Degree</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Art Therapy	M.A.	1
Biotechnology	M.S.	12
Business Administration	M.B.A.	1
Clinical Psychology	Psy.D.	1
Communication Arts	M.A.	3
Counselor Education	M.S.	1
Criminal Justice	M.S.	7
Health Services Administration	M.H.S.A.	2
Higher Education Administration	M.S.	1
Interior Architecture/Design	M.A.	10
Management Information Systems	M.S.	1
Music Education	M.A.	1
Nutrition	M.S.	3
Physician Assistant	M.S.	15
Psychology	M.A.	6
Public Administration	M.P.A.	1
Reading Education	M.S.	3
School Psychology	Ed.S.	2
Social Work	M.S.W.	9
Special Education	M.S.	4
Speech-Language Pathology	M.S.	35
Visual Arts in Painting	M.F.A.	1



### Section Three

#### Additional Graduate/Professional Programs Accepting Marywood Undergraduate Alumni

Table 4 lists additional programs undergraduate alumni were accepted into, but chose not to attend. Only one alumni reported being undecided about which program to attend, and this data is also reflected here. Of those who responded, 10% were accepted into additional graduate/professional programs. Based on the number of graduate/professional schools alumni reported being accepted into (n = 33), 27% of those listed are ranked programs.

**Table 4**  
**Additional Graduate/Professional Acceptances**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Intended Degree</b>	<b>Area of Study</b>	<b>US News Graduate Program Rank</b>
Caldwell College	M.S.	Counseling	
Capella University	M.A.	Counselor Education	
Chestnut Hill College	M.A.	Counseling Psychology	
Dickinson College	M.S.	Criminal Justice	
Drexel University	M.A.	Interior Architecture	
Eastern University	M.A.	Counseling Psychology	
Farleigh Dickinson University	M.A.	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	206
Hofstra University	M.A.	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	177
Iowa University	Ph.D.	Philosophy	
Lesley University	M.A.	Counseling in Mental Health and Wellness	
Lesley University	M.A.	Art Therapy	177
Marywood University	M.A.	Art Therapy	197
Marywood University	Internship	Dietetics	
Marywood University	M.S.	Counseling	
Marywood University	M.A.T.	Art Education Certification	
Marywood University	M.A.	Interior Architecture	
Middle Tennessee University	M.A.	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	
Northeastern University	M.A.	Higher Education and Student Affairs	
Pratt Institute	M.A.	Interior Architecture	27
Rosemont College	M.A.	Counseling Psychology	
Savannah College of Art and Design	M.A.	Interior Architecture	127
School of Visual Arts	M.A.	Art Therapy	18
Seton Hall University	M.A.	Higher Education and Student Affairs	
Temple University	M.S.	Athletic Training	
Texas A&M University	Ph.D.	Philosophy	
The City University of New York	M.S.W.	Social Work	
The Pennsylvania State University	M.A.T.	Art Education Certification	
University of Chicago	M.A.	Philosophy	
University of Kentucky	M.S.	Nutrition	
University of North Carolina	M.S.	Criminal Justice	6
University of Pittsburgh	M.S.W.	Social Work	11
West Chester University	M.S.	School Counseling	
West Chester University	M.A.	Clinical Psychology	



**Appendix A**

**College Senior Survey 2013 Form**

**Do you plan to attend graduate/professional school in the fall?:**

**\_Yes**

**\_No**

**If yes, please answer the following:**

**The graduate/professional school I will attend is:**

Name of University:

Degree Program:

Major:

Full-time or Part-time:

**Other graduate/professional schools to which I have been admitted are:**

**Name:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**



**Appendix B**

**Graduate/Professional School Acceptances Survey - Department Chairpersons' Report**

May 2013

TO: UNDERGRADUATE DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSONS/DIRECTORS  
(Please designate department)\_\_\_\_\_

FROM: CAROLE GUSTITUS, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES

PLEASE PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUESTED BELOW IN BEHALF OF THOSE SENIOR MAJORS IN YOUR DEPARTMENT WHO HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED TO GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL IN FALL, 2013

Student Name	Graduate/Professional School Accepted By	Other Graduate/Professional School Acceptances	Intended Degree	Area of Study	Full-time	Part-time





## Appendix C

### Electronic Survey - 2013 Undergraduate Alumni's Report

#### Recent Alumnus-Graduate School Acceptance Survey

Please provide the following demographic information:

1. What is your first name?
2. What is your last name?
3. What is your e-mail address?
5. Have you been accepted into a graduate/doctoral program?  
\_Yes  
\_No (*If response was "no," directed to completion of survey*)
6. Include the name of the graduate/professional school you were accepted to and will attend:
7. Please include your area of study and intended degree:
8. What is your enrollment status?  
\_Full-time  
\_Part-time
9. Were you accepted to other graduate/professional schools?  
(*Not including the school you plan on attending*)  
\_Yes  
\_No (*If response was "no," directed to completion of survey*)
10. Please include the name of the graduate/professional school you were accepted to:
11. Please include the area of study and associated degree:
12. Were you accepted to other graduate/professional schools?  
\_Yes  
\_No (*If response was "no," directed to completion of survey*)
13. Please include the name of the graduate/professional school you were accepted to:
14. Please include the area of study and associated degree:

**Thank You!** (*Completion of survey*)

## References

U.S. News & World Report LP (2012). *U.S. news ranks: Best graduate schools*.

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