

THE ST. AUGUSTINE CAMPUS Post-Graduate Tracer Survey 2012-2016 Highlights

The charts below represent an excerpt from the Tracer Study of Research Degree Graduates 2012-2016. The survey was conducted by the Campus Office of Planning and Institutional Research and examines the post-graduation experience of graduates of research degrees (M. Phil. and PhDs) in order to provide a means of following up on graduates' experience with post-graduate education and training. The survey was conducted for research degree graduates from the 2012-2016 cohorts and provided pertinent data on the relationship between higher education and employment, career choices, the development of related competencies, information on the professional world and general occupational experiences of the graduates and how their educational experience may have shaped their perception. The survey had a 38% response rate.

Survey findings showed that graduate employment was 86%, which included an estimated 8% of the respondents being self-employed. Half of the graduates reported that they were employed in the public sector with 47% of respondents doing so full time. Mean Income of respondents was \$30,120.92 and analysis of Income by degree type showed that those with a PhD (\$31,776.84) earned near twice the amount earned by those with a MPhil (\$16,087.06). Graduates generally felt that their programme benefitted their personal and professional attributes significantly and also had potential to positively impact development.

