A survey was conducted in late spring of 2010 to assess the postgraduation plans of students in the class of 2010. Of the 634 students contacted by email with a request to participate, 420 completed the survey, representing a 66% response rate. The survey posed a variety of questions regarding students’ immediate plans after graduation. This report summarizes some of the students’ responses to these questions.

### Postgraduation Plans

At the time of the survey (late spring of students’ senior year), approximately one-third of students (34%) reported that they had secured employment, and another 29% were engaged in a job search. 15% of students reported that they would be attending graduate school (they had either been accepted or had applied and were waiting to hear back from schools to which they had applied), and another 15% were planning to travel or do some form of volunteer work. Smaller numbers (4% and 3%, respectively) had secured an internship or a fellowship to pursue independent or graduate work.

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<td>Employed</td>
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<td>Seeking employment</td>
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<td>Attending graduate/professional school</td>
<td>15%</td>
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<td>Other (e.g., travel, volunteer work, etc.)</td>
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<td>Postgraduate internship</td>
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<td>Received fellowship to pursue independent work or graduate degree</td>
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More students in the class of 2010 (34%) reported having secured employment than in the class of 2009 (25%). In fact, this year’s employment rate is the highest reported by seniors in recent years, as shown in the table below.

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<td>Continuing job search</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>43%</td>
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<td>Graduate School</td>
<td>15%</td>
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<td>Travel/Volunteer/Other</td>
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<td>Internships/Fellowships</td>
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**Employment Industries**

The chart below shows the employment industries reported by those students who had secured a job at the time of the survey. The most common industries were education/academia (22%) and finance/banking (16%), with smaller but significant numbers of students finding jobs in the sciences, consulting, the environment, and healthcare industries.

**Class of 2010 Employment Industries**

- Education/Academia: 22%
- Finance/Banking: 16%
- Other: 12%
- Sciences: 7%
- Consulting: 6%
- Environment: 6%
- Healthcare: 5%
- Non-Profit: 5%
- International/NGO: 4%
- Business/Professional Services: 3%
- Communications/Media: 3%
- Arts and Entertainment: 2%
- Food and Beverage: 2%
- Law: 2%
- Retail/Merchandising: 2%
- Travel and Tourism: 2%
Below are the names of some of the companies for which Middlebury College graduates from the class of 2010 are now working, broken down for the most common industries:

**Consulting**
Avascent Group * Boston Consulting Group * The Brattle Group * BTS Group USA
Charles River Associates * Kantar Group * OC&C Strategy Consultants * The Advisory Board Company

**Education/Academia**
Americorps * Brunswick School * China Education Initiative * Greenwich Country Day School
JET Program * Middlebury-Monterey Language Academy * Phillips Academy * Punahou School
Sabis International Schools * Teach for America * Teton Science Schools * The Taft School

**Environment**
Audubon Alaska * Golden Gate National Recreation Area * Industrial Economics Inc.
Marine and Coastal Resources Department of Nantucket * The Appalachian Mountain Club
Natural Resources Defense Council * The Rodale Institute * Vermont Fish and Wildlife

**Finance/Banking**
Bloomberg * Chestnut Partners * Deutsche Bank * Fidelity * Goldman Sachs
Hartford Investment Management * J.P. Morgan * KeyBanc Capital Markets
Knight Capital Group * Morgan Stanley * Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken

**Healthcare**
NYU Medical Center * Mt. Sinai Hospital * National Institutes of Health
SeaMar * Wa’ab Community Health Center * Walpole Veterinary Hospital

**International/NGO**
Innovations for Poverty Action * Salzburg Global Seminar * UNESCO

**Non-Profit**
Finca Alta Gracia * Fund for the Public Interest * Innovations for Poverty Action
Meretz USA * The El Pomar Foundation * US PIRG

**Sciences**
Children’s Hospital * City of Hope Cancer Research Center * Dana Farber Cancer Institute
Ocean Associates * University of Washington * Williams College Maritime Studies Program
Employment Locations

The majority (86%) of Middlebury graduates who have secured employment report that they will be working in the United States. A smaller number will be working in countries around the world, including:

Austria * Canada * China * Dominican Republic * Egypt * France
Hong Kong * Japan * Micronesia * Qatar * Russia * Sweden * Thailand
Uganda * United Kingdom * Yemen

Middlebury graduates from the class of 2010 will be working all over the United States. The most common states and cities reported by the survey respondents were:

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Graduate Education

Of the students who had been accepted into graduate or professional programs at the time of the survey, the following represents a list of some of the universities they will be attending:

Masters/Ph.D. Programs
Boston College (Chemistry) * Boston University (Social Work) * Columbia (Chinese) * Cornell (History of Art)
Harvard (Education) * Heidelberg (American Studies) * Johns Hopkins (International Studies)
London School of Economics (International Relations) * New York University (Economics)
Oxford (Pharmacology) * Princeton University (German, Physics) * University of Minnesota (Public Health)
University of Washington (Neuroscience) * Yale University (French)

Medicine
Temple University * University of Connecticut * University of Nebraska * University of New Mexico
University of Pennsylvania (Veterinary) * University of Sydney (Veterinary)

Law School
College of William and Mary * Cornell University * University of Connecticut
University of Michigan * Villanova University * Yale University