

GLSNZ BASELINE SURVEY 2011

Quick Facts – Career Plans of International Students

A very special thank you to all of the international students who filled in the GLSNZ Baseline survey in 2011.

Our findings

- 11.5% ($n = 1,004$) of you were international students
- 21.1% ($n = 212$) of the international students we enrolled were studying at PhD level¹

Where students planned to work

Location	Non-PhD Students		PhD Students		TOTAL
	Domestic	International	Domestic	International	
Work in New Zealand	85.7%	62.8%	82.1%	49.1%	82.6%
Work overseas	38.1%	25.0%	43.0%	44.3%	37.2%
Work in your country of origin	3.6%	41.5%	8.1%	51.4%	8.3%
None of the above	3.4%	5.2%	1.3%	0.9%	3.5%

The top 5 employment fields students planned to enter

Employment field	Non-PhD Students		PhD Students		TOTAL
	Domestic	International	Domestic	International	
Education and training	22.5%	17.6%	19.7%	22.6%	21.9%
Health care and medical	16.9%		21.1%		16.0%
Science and technology	10.6%	13.9%	34.1%	37.3%	12.1%
Academia			59.6%	70.8%	11.9%
Government	10.9%	13.9%	11.7%	10.8%	11.2%
Environment and conservation				19.8%	
Banking and financial services		17.2%			
Marketing and communications	8.7%	13.8%			

Why is this research important?

Understanding experiences of international students during their time in New Zealand will improve university experiences for future international students. We also want to find out what ties international students keep with New Zealand in the future.

For more information contact the GLSNZ team (enquiries@glsnz.org.nz).

¹ All final-year international PhD students in 2011 were invited to take part in the study, resulting in oversampling of this sub-cohort.