



School of Packaging
Michigan State University

REPORT ON FULL-TIME PLACEMENT FOR 2003-2004

Semester	Graduates	Status of Graduates	% w/Internship
Fall 2003	79	53% reported jobs; 1% grad school	91%
Spring 2004	89	64% reported jobs; 1% grad school	84%
Summer 2004	22	64% reported jobs; 1% grad school	82%
TOTALS	190	60% reported jobs; 2% grad school	87%

Additional Follow-up:

Of the 115 students who are placed 90% completed a follow-up survey. Analysis of that data provided the following information:

Salary:

Overall Average: \$45,980
 Low: \$30,000 (2 reported: Ohio & Michigan; auto related)
 High: \$62,400 (NJ; food)
 Male: (61% of respondents) \$45,624
 Female: (39% of respondents) \$46,533

Time to find employment:

Overall:
 35% of the respondents reported jobs at or before graduation.
Of the remaining it took an average of 5 months to find employment.

Employment and internships:

92% of the respondents graduated with internship experience.
 28% were hired back by the same company.
 Internships affected not only placement but starting salary and length of time to find employment:

Average starting salary:	with internship:	\$46,484
	without internship:	\$40,375
Length of time to find employment:	with internship:	2 ½ months
	without internship:	3 ½ months

Placement by Type of Industry

Industry Classification	Students Placed	Average Salary
Suppliers	23%	\$43,253
Auto & Related	20%	\$41,335
Consumer	21%	\$47,789
Food	8%	\$52,300
Pharmaceutical	6%	\$47,856
Cosmetics/Personal Care	6%	\$47,200
Healthcare	5%	\$50,788
Military/Defense	4%	\$42,250
Medical Device	3%	\$51,667
Electronics	3%	\$47,300
Beverage	2%	\$54,000

Placement by Location

U.S. Region	Students Placed	Average Salary
East North Central	57%	\$43,750
Mid Atlantic	19%	\$49,756
East South Central	3%	\$44,000
West South Central	3%	\$46,667
New England	2%	\$44,500
Pacific	6%	\$49,275
South Atlantic	5%	\$46,640
Mountain	4%	\$49,275
West North Central	1%	\$47,840
Top 3 States	%Placed	Average Salary
Michigan	18%	\$41,816
Illinois	17%	\$46,393
New Jersey	12%	\$51,092

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