

BSN Graduate Survey Report – May 2018 Graduates

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As part of the B.S. Nursing Program Review at Florida SouthWestern State College, a graduate survey survey is used and distributed via email to all students who graduated six months earlier. For Spring 2018 graduates, in total, 37 emails were sent to graduates eliciting completion of the survey. Of those, 9 (24%) completed all or part of the survey. The results of those who responded are detailed below.

General Survey Questions

In response to the prompt “The BSN program provided me opportunities for other positions that would have not been possible without this degree:”, 4/9 (44%) responded affirmatively with either the same or a new employer. The remaining 5/9 (55%) responded that no, they hold the same position prior to their degree completion (see Figure 1).

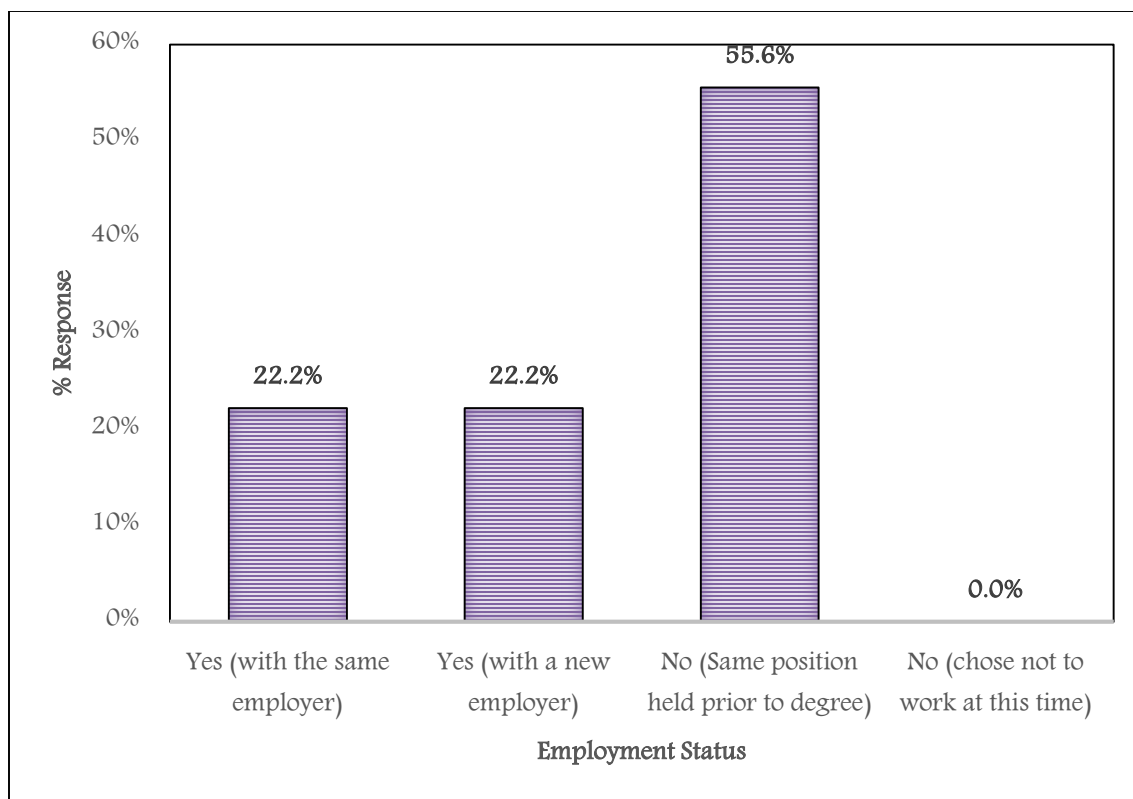


Figure 1. Response to survey prompt " The BSN program provided me opportunities for other positions that would have not been possible without this degree:" Survey respondents: 9.

In response to the prompt “Have you been accepted to or do you plan to enroll in a graduate program?”, 8/9 (89%) responded affirmatively. In a follow up question asking respondents about his or her intended program, 33% report intent on an MSN degree, while an additional 33% report intent on a DNP. Results are shown in Figure 2, below.

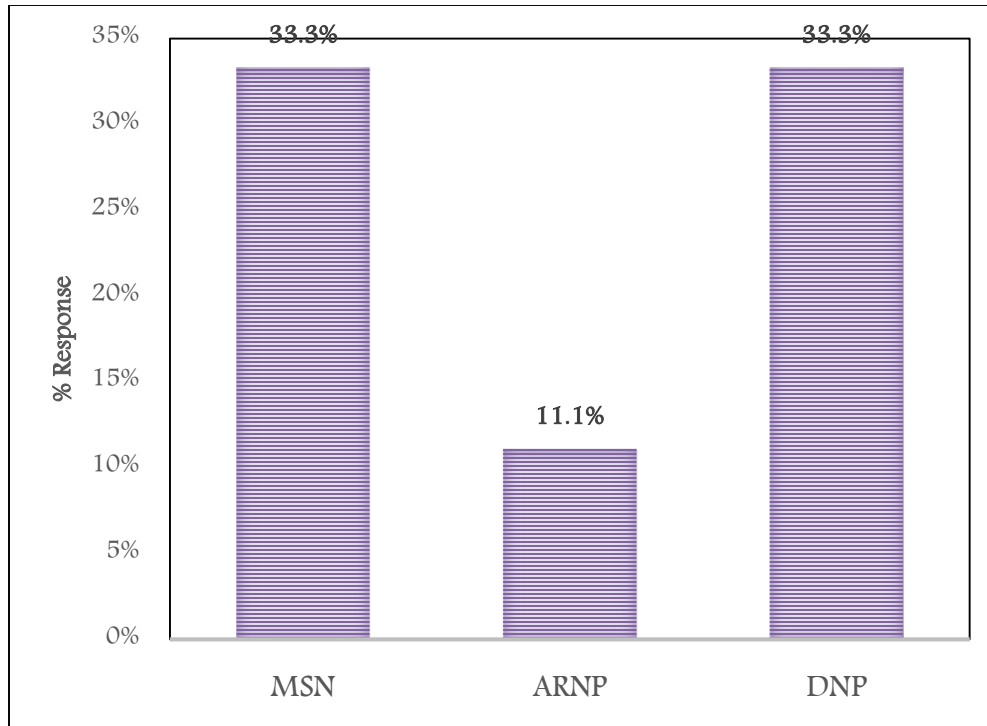


Figure 2. Response to survey prompt "Please indicate your intended program (i.e., ARNP, DNP, Masters, Non-nursing such as MBA or MEd)". Survey respondents: 7.

In response to the prompt "Your satisfaction with the RN to BSN program is very important to Florida SouthWestern State College and the faculty. Would you or have you recommended the program to friends or colleagues?", 5/9 (55%) responded affirmatively while none responded negatively. Additionally, respondents are asked to comment on their affirmative or negative response. Those comments are listed below.

- ✚ Yes: I would recommend the program, but I did not like online leadership clinicals. I think real life experience with a preceptor would be more beneficial.
- ✚ Yes: This is a great program for former students but for experience nurses wanting to return to obtain their BSN degree is difficult. I had a former colleague tried and was unsuccessful in sorting through the red tape. There were too many things that needed to be done and no one person had the right answers. Streamlining those nurses with years of experience should be made much easier so they be allowed to pursue their dream.
- ✚ Yes: There were quite a few classes that helped prepare me for leadership and that gave me a closer look into the the world of CNOs.
- ✚ Yes: I always encourage other people to attend fsw because I feel it's the best bang for the buck it also is a great program both Associates and bachelors. Especially after getting my BSN it allows me to teach clinicals at fsw which was my dream when acquiring my BSN.