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### The Hope Experience

- 89% shared that they connected one-on-one with a faculty or staff member about their future vocational path.
- 73% agree that Hope equipped them to be aware of Christian theological perspectives when thinking through complex issues.
- 87% are likely to refer someone else to Hope College for their education.
- 87% were active in extracurricular activities and organizations.
- 84% of those employed full-time are employed in their field of study.

### Experiential Learning

- **91%** participated in some form of experiential learning.
- **46%** participated in an off-campus study experience (domestic or international).
- **76%** had an internship or job that allowed them to apply what they were learning in the classroom.

### Top Ten Majors (by number of graduates)

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### About the Graduate Survey

The Hope College Graduate Survey is administered annually by Alumni and Family Engagement, the Career Development Center and Admissions. Graduates are contacted five to six months after graduation by email, mail and telephone and asked to complete the online survey.

During October and November of 2016, 68% of the graduating Class of 2016 participated in the survey.

For departmental level data and analysis or to see survey data from previous years, please contact Herb Dershem, Director of Institutional Research, at dershem@hope.edu.