Employer Feedback Survey

Classes of 2002, 2003, 2004 & 2005, 1 1/2 Years After Graduation

Program Profile

BS Engineering Physics

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This Program Profile contains Employer Feedback Survey results for this degree program only, for the Classes of 2002, 2003, 2004 & 2005. Almost every question from the instrument is included. Some of the skill verbiage required abbreviation in order to fit in the tables; please refer to the survey instrument if clarification is needed. Employer comments for 'strengths' and 'weaknesses' of the degree program have been included. In an effort to correct for disproportionate response rates and adjust the respondent profile so that it was representative of the target population, the data were weighted by gender, campus, program, and year of graduation. Percentages in the data tables represent the weighted result (the number of respondents has been left unweighted, however). Please use caution when interpreting results for programs with a small number of respondents; results based on very few respondents may not be representative. Programs for which there were fewer than three respondents are excluded.

Number of Respondents By Campus and Year of Graduation.

	BS Engineering Physics				
	2002 2003 2004 2005 All Years				
Daytona Beach	2	2	1	1	6

Graduate's length of time at present position (as reported by the graduate on the preceding Alumni Survey) By Campus All Years Combined

		Less than 1	
	Unwtd # of	year	1-2 years
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	6	63.2%	36.8%

Response options: 'Less than 1 year', '1-2 years', '3-5 years', 'More than 5 years'.

Best description of graduate's field of work (as reported by the graduate on the preceding Alumni Survey) By Campus All Years Combined

		Daytona Beach
Unwtd # of Respondents		6
Aerospace industry	Wtd Col %	22.5%
Government	Wtd Col %	28.1%
Military	Wtd Col %	49.4%

Relationship of graduate's job to his/her field of study at ERAU (as reported by the graduate on the preceding Alumni Survey) By Campus All Years Combined

		Closely	Somewhat related
	Unwtd # of	related	related
	Respondents	Wtd Col %	Wtd Col %
Daytona Beach	6	80.1%	19.9%

Response options: 'Closely related', 'Somewhat related'. Graduates who responded 'Not related' on their Alumni Survey were excluded from consideration for the Employer Feedback Survey.

Approximately how many ERAU graduates do you know professionally? By Campus All Years Combined

		Number of ERAU Graduates Know		
		Professionally		
	Unwtd # of	1	2-5	11-50
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	6	34.3%	57.6%	8.2%

Response options: '1', '2-5','6-10','11-50','Over 50'.

How many ERAU graduates do you currently supervise? By Campus All Years Combined

		Number of ERAU Graduates Currently Supervise	
	Unwtd # of Respondents	1 Wtd Row %	2-5 Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	6	48.6%	51.4%

Response options: '1', '2-5','6-10','11-50','Over 50'.

Did you graduate from ERAU? By Campus All Years Combined

		Supervisors Who Are Also ERAU Graduates
	Unwtd # of	No
	Respondents	Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	6	100.0%

Response options: 'Yes', 'No'.

What is your level of involvement in the hiring of new workers? By Campus All Years Combined

		Н	iring involvemn	et level
	Unwtd # of	Make Final Deciaiton	Provide Input	No Involvement
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	6	42.4%	43.3%	14.3%

 $Response\ options:\ 'Make\ Final\ Decision',\ 'Provide\ Input',\ 'No\ Involvement'.$

What is your preference for hiring graduates? By Campus All Years Combined

		Preference for Hiring Graduates Some Preference	
		No for Other	
	Unwtd # of	Preference	Graduates
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	5	83.3%	16.7%

Response options: 'Strong preference for other graduates', 'Some preference for other graduates', 'No preference', 'Some preference for ERAU graduates', 'Strong preference for ERAU graduates'.

What preference do you have for multi-lingual candidates? By Campus All Years Combined

			ence for I candidates
	Unwtd # of	Strong Preference	Some Preference
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	4	72.1%	27.9%

New question as of the Class of 2003 survey.

Response options: 'Strong Preference', 'Some Preference', No Preference'.

How important do you consider global awareness and international experience for new employees? By Campus All Years Combined

	Unwtd # of	Importance of global awareness and international experience Somewhat Important
	Respondents	Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	4	100.0%

New question as of the Class of 2003 survey.

Response options: 'Very Important', 'Somewhat Important', 'Not Important'.

What changes do you anticipate in your organization's need for aviation and aerospace professionals in the near future? By Campus All Years Combined

		Anticipated changes to organization's need for av/aero professionals	
		Increased	No
	Unwtd # of	Need	Changes
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %
Daytona Beach	5	9.5%	90.5%

New question as of the Class of 2002 survey.

Response options: 'Increased Need', 'No Changes', 'Decreased Need'.

The education of the graduate meets our company's needs By Campus All Years Combined

		Education of ERAU					
		Graduat	e Meets				
		Company	r's Needs				
		Strongly					
	Unwtd # of	Agree	Agree				
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %				
Daytona Beach	5	84.4%	15.6%				

Response options: 'Strongly Disagree', 'Disagree', 'Neutral', 'Agree', 'Strongly Agree'.

He/she is a valuable employee By Campus All Years Combined

		Graduate is a Valuable Employee					
		Strongly					
	Unwtd # of	Agree	Agree				
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %				
Daytona Beach	5	84.4%	15.6%				

Response options: 'Strongly Disagree', 'Disagree', 'Neutral', 'Agree', 'Strongly Agree'.

He/she is a good candidate for promotion By Campus All Years Combined

		Graduate is a Good					
		Candidate for Promotion					
		Strongly					
	Unwtd # of	Agree	Agree				
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %				
Daytona Beach	5	84.4%	15.6%				

Response options: 'Strongly Disagree', 'Disagree', 'Neutral', 'Agree', 'Strongly Agree'.

Compared to graduates from other institutions, his/her knowledge and skill level is: By Campus All Years Combined

		Skill Leve	l of ERAU				
		Graduate Compared to					
		Graduates	From Other				
		Institu	utions				
		Somewhat					
	Unwtd # of	Higher	Equivalent				
	Respondents	Wtd Row %	Wtd Row %				
Daytona Beach	6	35.1%	64.9%				

ERAU General Skills Preparation and Usefulness on the Job

Daytona Beach BS Engineering Physics

		Employe	er's Usefulness on the Job	s of Skill		Compe	tence of thi	s ERAU Gra	duate		Compet	ence of Gra	duates from	Other
	Unwtd	Very Useful	Somewhat Useful	Not Useful	Unwtd	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Unwtd	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor
	#	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	#	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	#	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %
Quantitative/mathematics	6	91.7%	8.3%	.0%	6	42.5%	43.2%	.0%	14.3%	4	19.9%	19.9%	60.2%	.0%
Basic PC software (word processing, spreadsheets, etc.)	6	45.1%	54.9%	.0%	6	45.1%	20.0%	34.9%	.0%	4	19.9%	.0%	80.1%	.0%
Writing skills (non-technical)	6	22.5%	77.5%	.0%	6	.0%	50.8%	49.2%	.0%	4	.0%	.0%	80.1%	19.9%
Technical writing	6	85.7%	14.3%	.0%	6	.0%	85.7%	.0%	14.3%	4	.0%	19.9%	60.2%	19.9%
Speaking before an audience	6	91.7%	8.3%	.0%	6	8.3%	34.9%	42.5%	14.3%	4	.0%	48.7%	51.3%	.0%
Applied research (information gathering and analysis)	6	56.8%	43.2%	.0%	6	34.3%	34.9%	16.5%	14.3%	4	.0%	88.5%	11.5%	.0%
Critical thinking	6	42.5%	57.5%	.0%	6	20.0%	57.5%	22.5%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	80.1%	.0%
Independent work	6	50.8%	49.2%	.0%	6	8.3%	42.5%	34.9%	14.3%	4	.0%	68.6%	31.4%	.0%
Planning, scheduling, and carrying out projects	6	30.8%	69.2%	.0%	6	16.5%	34.3%	49.2%	.0%	4	.0%	.0%	100.0%	.0%
Defining and solving problems	6	85.7%	14.3%	.0%	6	34.3%	16.5%	49.2%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	80.1%	.0%
Working in groups/teams	6	50.8%	49.2%	.0%	6	42.5%	14.3%	43.2%	.0%	4	.0%	68.6%	31.4%	.0%
Leading/guiding others	6	22.5%	77.5%	.0%	6	.0%	22.5%	63.2%	14.3%	4	.0%	19.9%	80.1%	.0%
Responsible actions and decision making	6	42.5%	57.5%	.0%	6	.0%	100.0%	.0%	.0%	4	.0%	68.6%	31.4%	.0%
Understanding other people and other points of view	6	22.5%	77.5%	.0%	6	.0%	77.5%	22.5%	.0%	4	.0%	68.6%	31.4%	.0%
Environmental awareness	6	.0%	65.7%	34.3%	4	.0%	65.7%	34.3%	.0%	3	.0%	60.8%	39.2%	.0%
Political and economic awareness	6	8.3%	57.5%	34.3%	4	12.6%	53.1%	34.3%	.0%	3	.0%	60.8%	39.2%	.0%

ERAU Preparation response options for the Class of 2003: '1=Excellent', '2=Good', '3=Average', '4=Poor', '5=Very Poor'.

Competence response options for the Class of 2001 and 2002 survey: '1=Very Good', '2=Good', '3=Average', '4=Poor', '5=Very Poor'.

Usefulness response options: '1=Very Useful', '2=Somewhat Useful', '3=Not Useful'

ERAU Degree Specific Skills Preparation and Usefulness on the Job

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		(1) Very	(2)	uno LIVAO GIA	Judio		(1) Very (2)					(1) Very	(2) Somewhat	(3) Not	
		Good	Good	(3) Average	(4) Poor		Good	Good	(3) Average	(4) Poor		Useful	Useful	Useful	
	Unwtd #	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	Unwtd #	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	Unwtd#	Wtd %	Wtd %	Wtd %	
(A) Apply knowledge of math/sci/eng	6	42.5%	43.2%	14.3%	.0%	4	19.9%	.0%	80.1%	.0%	6	100.0%	.0%	.0%	
(B) Design and conduct experiments	6	14.3%	51.4%	34.3%	.0%	4	19.9%	19.9%	60.2%	.0%	6	45.1%	20.0%	34.9%	
(C) Analyze and interpret data	6	34.3%	16.5%	34.9%	14.3%	4	.0%	19.9%	80.1%	.0%	6	65.1%	34.9%	.0%	
(D) Design sys/comp/pro to meet needs	6	.0%	30.8%	69.2%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	60.2%	19.9%	6	36.8%	63.2%	.0%	
(E) Function of multi-disciplinary teams	6	22.5%	69.2%	8.3%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	80.1%	.0%	6	45.1%	54.9%	.0%	
(F) Identify, formulate, and solve eng problems	6	34.3%	16.5%	49.2%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	31.4%	48.7%	6	50.8%	49.2%	.0%	
(G) Understand prof/ethical responsibility	6	42.5%	8.3%	49.2%	.0%	4	19.9%	.0%	31.4%	48.7%	6	50.8%	14.3%	34.9%	
(H) Communicate effectively	6	8.3%	42.5%	49.2%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	31.4%	48.7%	6	50.8%	49.2%	.0%	
(I) Understand the impact of eng solutions	4	.0%	100.0%	.0%	.0%	3	.0%	24.9%	75.1%	.0%	6	16.5%	14.3%	69.2%	
(J) Recognize/engage in life-long learning	6	42.5%	43.2%	14.3%	.0%	4	19.9%	.0%	80.1%	.0%	6	30.8%	69.2%	.0%	
(K) Knowledge of contemporary issues	5	.0%	38.5%	61.5%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	80.1%	.0%	6	8.3%	36.8%	54.9%	
(L) Use of eng tools engineering practice	6	22.5%	63.2%	14.3%	.0%	4	19.9%	.0%	80.1%	.0%	6	77.5%	22.5%	.0%	
(M) Knowledge of classical mechanics	6	.0%	50.8%	49.2%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	60.2%	19.9%	6	71.7%	28.3%	.0%	
(N) Knowledge of eng electricity and magnetism	6	34.3%	16.5%	49.2%	.0%	4	.0%	19.9%	80.1%	.0%	6	69.2%	30.8%	.0%	
(O) Knowledge of space physics	6	22.5%	28.3%	34.9%	14.3%	4	.0%	19.9%	60.2%	19.9%	6	71.7%	28.3%	.0%	
(P) Knowledge of quantum physics	4	28.1%	71.9%	.0%	.0%	3	24.9%	.0%	75.1%	.0%	6	14.3%	36.5%	49.2%	
(Q) Knowledge of space sys eng/design	5	16.7%	42.6%	40.7%	.0%	3	.0%	24.9%	14.4%	60.8%	6	57.5%	28.3%	14.3%	
(R) Knowledge of electro-optical engineering	5	.0%	49.6%	50.4%	.0%	3	.0%	24.9%	14.4%	60.8%	6	69.2%	8.3%	22.5%	
(S) Knowledge of microcomputers/elect instrument	6	28.6%	16.5%	54.9%	.0%	4	19.9%	.0%	31.4%	48.7%	6	28.6%	71.4%	.0%	

 $^{{\}sf ERAU\ Preparation\ response\ options\ for\ the\ Class\ of\ 2003:\ '1=Excellent',\ '2=Good',\ '3=Average',\ '4=Poor',\ '5=Very\ Poor'.}$

ERAU Preparation response options for the Class of 2001 and 2002 survey: '1=Very Good', '2=Good', '3=Average', '4=Poor', '5=Very Poor'.

ERAU Preparation response options for the Class of 2000 survey: '1=Excellent', '2=Very Good', '3=Good', '4=Fair', '5=Poor'.

Usefulness response options: '1=Very Useful', '2=Somewhat Useful', '3=Not Useful'