



Class of 2000 Postgraduate Report

CORNELL CAREER SERVICES surveys Cornell University bachelor's degree recipients for six months following graduation. This report summarizes postgraduate activities for the University. For more comprehensive statistics by college, please refer to college reports.

Response

■ Response Rates

	<i>Total Surveyed</i>	<i>Responses</i>	<i>Response Rate</i>
University	3,444	2,405	69.8%
Agriculture and Life Sciences	902	596	66.1%
Architecture, Art and Planning	68	26	38.2%
Arts and Sciences	1,021	632	61.9%
Engineering	599	488	81.5%
Hotel	237	173	73.0%
Human Ecology	397	341	85.9%
Industrial and Labor Relations	220	149	67.7%

Postgraduate Activities

■ Activities by College

	<i>Employed</i>	<i>Graduate School</i>	<i>Other Endeavors</i>
University	53.9%	29.8%	16.3%
Agriculture and Life Sciences	54.8%	25.6%	19.6%
Architecture, Art and Planning	53.8%	15.4%	30.8%
Arts and Sciences	49.5%	34.1%	16.4%
Engineering	57.6%	35.6%	6.8%
Hotel	80.9%	1.7%	17.4%
Human Ecology	41.7%	33.7%	24.6%
Industrial and Labor Relations	54.1%	35.1%	10.8%

Graduate/Professional Studies

■ Most Frequently Selected Fields

Law	19.9%	Veterinary Medicine	4.2%
Engineering	17.4%	Other Health	3.8%
Medicine	17.6%	Physical Sciences	2.9%
Biological Sciences	9.0%	Education	2.7%
Computer and Information Sciences	5.3%	Psychology	2.7%

■ Legal Careers

Law Schools Most Frequently Attended in 2000

Boston University	Fordham University
Cardozo School of Law	Harvard University
Columbia University	New York University
Cornell University	University at Buffalo
Emory University	University of Pennsylvania

Acceptance Rates*

Cornell (for 200 seniors)	93%
National	69%

*Based on most recent data available from Law School Admission Council for fall 1999 acceptance.

■ Medical Careers

Medical Schools Most Frequently Attended in 2000

Albert Einstein	New York University
Columbia University	SUNY Campuses—Brooklyn, Buffalo, Stony Brook, Syracuse
Cornell University	Tufts University
Mt. Sinai	University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey
New York Medical College	Yale University

Acceptance Rates*

Cornell (for 205 seniors)	70%
Cornell students with a 3.4 GPA or above	86%
National	45%

*Based on most recent data available from Association of American Medical Colleges for fall 1999 acceptance.

■ Fellowships

Cornell consistently gains national recognition for the fellowship successes of its students. The competitions are highly selective and there are few awards annually.

2000		1999	
Carnegie Junior Fellowship	2	Beinecke Scholarship	1
Churchill Scholarship	2	Churchill Scholarship	1
Goldwater Scholarship	4	Goldwater Scholarship	4
Marshall Scholarship	1	Marshall Scholarship	2
Mellon Fellowship	3	Mellon Fellowship	1
Udall Scholarship	3	Truman Scholarship	1
		Udall Scholarship	3

Employment

■ On-Campus Recruiting

University	Employers	Interviews
	936	15,958
Cornell Career Services, Barnes Hall*	224	3,812
Agriculture and Life Sciences	101	1,343
Architecture, Art and Planning	54	479
Engineering	363	7,489
Hotel	103	1,378

Human Ecology	32	224
Industrial and Labor Relations	91	1,457

*Employers seeking diverse majors

■ Jobs Listed on Cornell MonsterTRAK

	2000	1999	1998
Full-time Positions	24,772	15,276	13,322
Internships and Summer Jobs	3,170	2,336	1,400

■ Employers Hiring the Most Cornellians

Andersen Consulting	PriceWaterhouseCoopers
Aramark	Procter & Gamble
Cornell University	Salomon Smith Barney
Four Seasons Hotels & Resorts	Teach for America
Goldman Sachs	U.S. Navy

■ How Undergraduates Found Their Jobs

Career Services at Cornell	44.5%
Interview through on-campus recruiting	29.7%
Cornell MonsterTRAK listing or resume referral	10.5%
Career fair/forum contact on campus	3.5%
Other career services	0.8%
Alumni, Faculty or Personal Contact	21.8%
Personal contact	16.1%
Networked with alumni	3.3%
Faculty/department referral or job posting	2.4%
Other Methods	20.7%
Used other means	12.3%
Internet posting, excluding Cornell MonsterTRAK	8.2%
Applied directly to employer	0.2%
Internship or Previous Employment	13.0%
Worked with current employer as intern or co-op student	8.4%
Worked with current employer in another position	4.6%

Salary Statistics

■ Salary Statistics for Bachelor's Degree Recipients

	2000	1998	1997
Mean	\$41,197	\$36,203	\$33,332
Median	\$40,000	\$36,000	\$33,000

■ Starting Mean Salaries by College

	2000	1999	1998
Agriculture and Life Sciences	\$36,965	\$32,995	\$30,290
Architecture, Art and Planning	\$31,738	\$28,535	\$25,253

Arts and Sciences*	\$38,381	\$32,924	\$30,055
Engineering	\$50,825	\$45,982	\$41,681
Hotel	\$36,773	\$33,517	\$30,619
Human Ecology	\$36,163	\$29,371	\$27,484
Industrial and Labor Relations	\$44,116	\$37,625	\$37,550

*Cornell's mean salary for liberal arts students is 17.6% higher than salaries reported nationally.

■ Mean Salaries by Geographic Location

	<i>Percent of Response</i>	<i>Mean Salary</i>
New York State	44.6%	\$42,047
Mid-Atlantic	14.5%	\$38,155
West	12.6%	\$41,033
New England	11.9%	\$44,088
Midwest	5.4%	\$43,575
Southwest	4.1%	\$41,803
Southeast	3.6%	\$35,690
Other	3.3%	\$20,395

■ Salary Statistics by Employment Sector

	<i>Graduates Responding</i>	<i>Mean Salary</i>
<i>Public Sector/Nonprofit</i>		
Education	7.1%	\$26,067
Government	4.5%	\$29,090
Other Nonprofit	3.8%	\$26,445
<i>Business/Industry</i>		
Other Business	20.6%	\$32,656
Financial Services	16.9%	\$48,980
Consulting	16.4%	\$47,674
High-Tech	15.1%	\$52,050
Manufacturing	12.2%	\$42,318
Retail	3.4%	\$36,592

Cornell Career Services

■ Overview of Services

Cornell Career Services offers a broad range of programs and services to assist students with their career development:

Career Planning: career counseling and testing, library and Internet resources, shadowing and networking opportunities

Job Search Strategies: advice on the job search, workshops, employer career fairs—on- and off-campus

Employment Services: on- and off-campus interviews, resume referrals, job postings via the Internet

Graduate and Professional School Advising: advice and workshops on the application process, information resources, credentials service, Graduate and Professional School Days, fellowships

■ **Annual Activities**

Individual advising appointments	7,331		
Walk-in advising sessions	3,867		
Career development and information programs	439		
Organizations attending annual Graduate and Professional School Days	150		
Students attending Graduate and Professional School Days	1,343		
Organizations represented at annual Cornell Career Services Career Fair	274		
Students attending Cornell Career Services Career Fair	7,000		
Job shadowing experiences during January 2000 winter break	397		
363 students completed 397 externships offered by 534 alumni			
Freshmen	8.0%	Juniors	45.7%
Sophomores	13.6%	Seniors	32.7%

THE MISSION OF CORNELL CAREER SERVICES is to contribute to the Cornell community of learning by providing outstanding career development services that help students apply their education and experiences toward advancing their career goals over a lifetime.

Cornell Career Services educates students about the career planning and job search process and promotes linkages between students and employers or graduate and professional schools.

To learn more about Cornell Career Services, please visit our Web site at www.career.cornell.edu.

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