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**DEFINITIONS**

**SUCCESSFUL PLACEMENT RATE**: The percentage of graduates employed, continuing education or engaged in other planned activities (including military service, volunteer/service work and taking time off before pursuing opportunities).

**EMPLOYED**: Graduates who are employed full-time and part-time, including graduates who are entrepreneurs, in fellowships, temporary/contract work, freelance jobs and post-graduation internships.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**: Graduates who are enrolled full time or part time in a degree program, certificate program or specialized training.

**OTHER**: Graduates who are involved in service and volunteer programs for an extended period of time, serving in any branch of the military or choosing non-employment, including graduates taking gap years before applying to professional and doctoral programs.

**SEEKING OPPORTUNITIES**: Graduates who reported seeking employment or continuing education programs after graduation.

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96.8% successful placement rate

$57,300 average starting salary

70.6% Employed

17.5% Continuing Education

8.7% Other

3.2% Seeking Opportunities

500+ unique employers

90+ unique graduate and professional schools

17.5%

8.7%

3.2%

70.6%

500+

90+
PRESTIGIOUS ACADEMIC AWARDS

2015 graduates earned 11 of the most prestigious academic awards in the world, including seven Fulbright scholarships, a Marshall scholarship, a Mitchell scholarship, and a Coro Fellowship.

“THE VALUE OF A VILLANOVA EDUCATION REMAINS STRONGER THAN EVER. OUR STUDENTS DEVELOP THE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE THAT GUIDE THEM TOWARD MEANINGFUL LIFE WORK. OUR AVERAGE STARTING SALARIES ARE STRONG, AND OUR EMPLOYING ORGANIZATIONS ARE AMONG THE FINEST IN THE WORLD.”

NANCY DUDAK
Executive Director, Villanova University Career Center

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES: LIBERAL ARTS

96.3% successful placement rate

61.9% Employed

24.7% Continuing Education

3.7% Seeking Opportunities

9.7% Other

$43,995 average starting salary

Featured Employers and Educational Institutions

- Bank of America Merrill Lynch
- Bloomberg LP
- Gregory FCA
- IBM Corp.
- Janssen Pharmaceuticals
- L’Oreal
- Morgan Stanley
- Navigant Consulting
- NBC Universal
- The Vanguard Group
- Columbia Law School
- Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University
- George Washington University Law School
- University of Notre Dame Department of Theology
**Featured Employers and Educational Institutions**

**COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES: SCIENCES**
- Bank of America Merrill Lynch
- Deloitte Consulting
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Lockheed Martin Corp.
- SAP
- Columbia University College of Dental Medicine
- Georgetown University School of Medicine
- Michigan State University, PhD Biogeochemistry
- University of Cambridge (UK), PhD Cellular Biology
- University of Pennsylvania Law School
- University of Pennsylvania, PhD Organic Chemistry
- Vanderbilt University, PhD Astrophysics
- Yale University, PhD Chemistry

**Average Starting Salary**
- $53,486

**Successful Placement Rate**
- 95.1%

**VILLANOVA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**
- 3M
- Bank of America Merrill Lynch
- Bloomingdale's
- Comcast/NBC Universal
- Deloitte/Deloitte Consulting
- EY
- Goldman Sachs & Co.
- Johnson & Johnson
- JPMorgan Chase & Co.
- KPMG
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Reckitt Benckiser
- Boston University School of Law
- Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey

**Average Starting Salary**
- $60,278

**Successful Placement Rate**
- 98.4%
Featured Employers and Educational Institutions

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**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**
- AECOM
- Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.
- Axis Group
- Carrier Corp.
- Deloitte Consulting
- GlaxoSmithKline
- Goldman Sachs & Co.
- Lockheed Martin Corp.
- Turner Construction Co.
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology, PhD Chemical Engineering
- Trinity College Dublin (Ireland), MS Biomedical Engineering
- University of California—Berkeley, PhD Mechanical Engineering
- University of Virginia, PhD Biomedical Engineering

**COLLEGE OF NURSING**
- Boston Children’s Hospital
- Brigham and Women’s Hospital
- Bryn Mawr Hospital
- Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)
- Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
- Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Lehigh Valley Health Network
- Main Line Health
- Massachusetts General Hospital
- MedStar Georgetown University Hospital
- Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
- New York Presbyterian Hospital
- NYU Langone Medical Center
- North Shore-LIJ Health System

**$62,750**
**average starting salary**

**95.8%**
**successful placement rate**

**68.3%**
**Employed**

**$62,777**
**average starting salary**

**96.5%**
**successful placement rate**

**89.7%**
**Employed**
At Villanova, the Career Center and the colleges collaborate to provide students with enriched course work and internship experiences. Innovative career and professional development concepts are integrated into the curriculum of all four colleges starting as early as freshman year. Villanovans also benefit from a comprehensive network of services designed to prepare them for the road ahead, including:

- Advising sessions with career counselors
- Resumé and cover letter writing workshops
- Mock interviews
- Professional development workshops
- Networking opportunities
- Careers in International Development Day: A unique networking event that can take Villanovans’ desire to ignite change in the world and turn it into reality. This alumni-centric event introduces students to professions working to positively impact global poverty, inequality, climate change and world peace.
- Public Policy Society: An alumni-driven networking initiative that allows students to explore careers in public policy, including NGOs and politics, and builds an engaged alumni group of Villanovans working in Washington, D.C.
- Villanova in the Valley: A semester break trip to Silicon Valley that connects students with leading entrepreneurs and innovators. Past trips have included visits to the Google and Facebook headquarters.
- Villanova on Set: A break trip to Los Angeles, where students connect with alumni in the entertainment industry.
- Site visits in New York and Washington, D.C.: Day trips to visit the nation’s leading firms in finance, fashion, advertising and politics.

The Villanova experience is built on connections—and those connections extend well beyond campus. As undergraduates, Villanova students gain access to 117,000 alumni members of the Nova Network, and, as a result, they advance along a promising path to an internship or career. Some opportunities offered through the Nova Network include:

- VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY PREPARED ME FOR THE ACADEMIC RIGORS OF GEORGETOWN LAW. I DEVELOPED INVALUABLE RELATIONSHIPS WITH MY PROFESSORS, WHO CHALLENGED ME AND GUIDED ME. I CONTINUE TO TURN TO THEM FOR SUPPORT IN NAVIGATING LAW SCHOOL AND MY GOALS FOR THE FUTURE.

   KRISTEN VALOSKY
   College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
   2015 Skadden Fellowship Recipient

- THE VILLANOVA IN THE VALLEY PROGRAM HAS OPENED THE DOOR TO NUMEROUS NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES WITH VILLANOVA ALUMNI AND SILICON VALLEY COMPANIES. HEARING THE ADVICE OF EMPLOYEES WORKING AT COMPANIES LIKE GOOGLE AND AMAZON WAS AN INVALUABLE EXPERIENCE.

   JESSICA YOX
   College of Engineering
HOW VILLANOVA COLLECTS THESE RESULTS

The Career Center conducts several surveys of Villanova’s Spring graduating class, starting the April before graduation and ending six months after Commencement, to assess post-graduation plans and employment information. Information is also collected via public record (LinkedIn) and official employment and institutional records. A small percentage of graduates reported prior to graduation that they were seeking opportunities, but did not provide an update during the survey collection period and are not included in these statistics. The percentage of the graduating class with known career outcomes is the knowledge rate. The knowledge rate for the Class of 2015 is 91.8 percent.

For detailed college-specific outcomes reports and to view past outcomes studies, visit careers.villanova.edu.