First Destination Report

Class of 2021
The Center for Career & Professional Development

Career Learning Cycle

The mission of Lehigh’s Center for Career & Professional Development is to provide career education and connections that support student success. We fulfill this mission with a focus on students and their unique needs. Utilizing a blended learning approach, we deliver career education through career coaching, learning labs, workshops, classroom presentations, online tools and high-impact experiential learning opportunities to enhance student development.

Our team is aligned with the undergraduate colleges to deliver customized career education and connections. We develop opportunities for students to connect with employer partners and alumni through externships, internships, on-campus interviews, career expos and more.

CCPD uses a four-year learning cycle that helps students take charge of their career development. Our career learning cycle is a simple way to help students think about and plan their futures.

EXPLORE
Ask big questions, and explore and participate in activities that will help you develop an understanding of how your strengths, skills, interests and values relate to your choice of a major and career.

DEVELOP SKILLS
Build effective skills and your personal brand, and develop the tools and strategies needed to secure an internship and full-time position.

GAIN EXPERIENCE
Expand your skills and try experiential opportunities such as internships, capstone projects, research, international experiences, entrepreneurial experiences and community service.

BUILD CONNECTIONS AND NETWORK
Make connections, seek information and advice about career paths, network, and work with the CCPD team to develop a strategy.

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Internships and Experiential Learning

94%
of our students completed one or more internships or an experiential learning opportunity

BREAKDOWN BY COLLEGE:

89%
College of Arts and Sciences

96%
College of Business

98%
P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science
Undergraduate Outcomes Summary

97% of the class of 2021 were employed, continuing education or pursuing military or volunteer service within 6 months of graduation.

- 68% Employed
- 28% Continuing Education
- 1% Other (includes volunteer service programs, military and non-employment by choice)
- 3% Still Seeking

Average starting salary: $66.5K
Graduates in the Lehigh alumni network: 85K
Unique employers hired Lehigh students: 455
15 of our top employers have committed to advance diversity and inclusion within the workplace through the CEO Action Pledge.
Of the 1203 bachelor's degree recipients, verifiable data was obtained for 86% of the graduates. Outcome data for the Class of 2021 includes students who received bachelor's degrees between July 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021. In accordance with NACE standards, June 30, 2021, is the recognized graduation date.