



## **Destination of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) Survey: Your FAQs**

### **What is the DLHE?**

The DLHE is a national survey of everyone who has recently qualified from any university or HE college in the UK and gathers information on the range of career and further study opportunities pursued by graduates. This can often include people who are still at the institution studying for an additional qualification.

### **What questions do you want to ask me?**

We would like to know about your work and study. For work, we ask about your job title and employer name, if it's full-time or part-time work, is it considered to be a graduate-level job and whether you believe the qualification you recently obtained was necessary for your job. For further study, we ask about what and where you are studying, what kind of study you are engaged in (for example postgraduate or diploma) and the reasons for taking further study.

### **Why should I tell you what I'm doing?**

Firstly, we really do want to know what you are doing, now that you have completed your qualification. So this is our chance to follow you up and see how things are going. Secondly, it enables us at the University to see if there are any trends and patterns in employment, whether graduates in certain subjects are experiencing any problems securing a job or further study. Thirdly, we can use our destination survey information to let future and current students know about opportunities that might be available to them so that they can make informed choices about course and career options. Fourthly, by gathering a good range of graduate destination data, the University can position itself well in the league tables that you might have seen.

### **What are you going to do with my information?**

We anonymise all information that we receive from you, so that when we send all the finished destination data off to the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA), no individual graduate can be identified. The anonymised statistical information is used within internal faculties and guides such as prospectuses. HESA shares the anonymised data with other government organisations, in order to carry out their statutory functions connected with funding higher education. Information is not used in a way that could affect graduates personally. Under the Data Protection Act 1998, individuals have the right to a copy of the information HESA holds about them. However, HESA will charge a small fee for this.

### **How long does the questionnaire take to complete?**

The survey will take approximately 5-10 minutes to complete.

### **Where can I view the graduate destination information?**

You can view our graduate employment scores at <http://unistats.direct.gov.uk>, as well as comparing the University's performance against other universities in the UK.

### **What can you do to continue to support me now that I've left university?**

We know that establishing yourself in the labour market can be challenging and sometimes it's not easy to get into the career you've been aiming for. However, as a new graduate, you can continue to use the University's Careers Service. Whether you need our support to identify employment, review your CV, examine your interview technique or even set-up your business all you have to do is make contact with us at:

Careers & Employability Team

The Student Gateway, Gateway House, De Montfort University Leicester, LE1 9BH

**Tel:** 0116 257 7595

**W:** [www.dmu.ac.uk/careers/graduate](http://www.dmu.ac.uk/careers/graduate)

### **Employment Services**

Here at DMU we also run a number of services that provide employment opportunities:

- **Unitemps** is an on campus recruitment agency that provides part time and temporary work across the University and also with local and regional businesses. Go to <http://www.unitemps.co.uk/> to register, making sure you indicate that you are a DMU graduate and you'll have the latest vacancies sent to your email address.
- **DMU Works** is our online graduate jobs portal - more than 400 jobs per month are published on DMU Works so create an account at [www.dmu.ac.uk/dmuworks](http://www.dmu.ac.uk/dmuworks) then log in and make some applications!

### **And Finally...**

The Careers and Employment Team wishes you all the best in your future career endeavours and we thank you in advance for completing the graduate destinations questionnaire.