



**Samuel Merritt University**

# Alumni Survey

2019-2020 Collection Year

## Survey Details

Graduates of 2015-2016 and 2018-2019 were surveyed

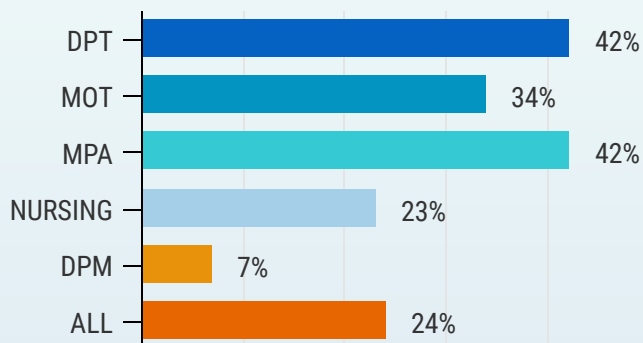


1593 graduated surveyed



24% responded

## Response Rates



## EMPLOYMENT RATES

**88%** of 2015-2016 graduates were employed in their specialty within six months of graduation from SMU.

**75%** of 2018-2019 graduates were employed in their specialty within six months of graduation from SMU.

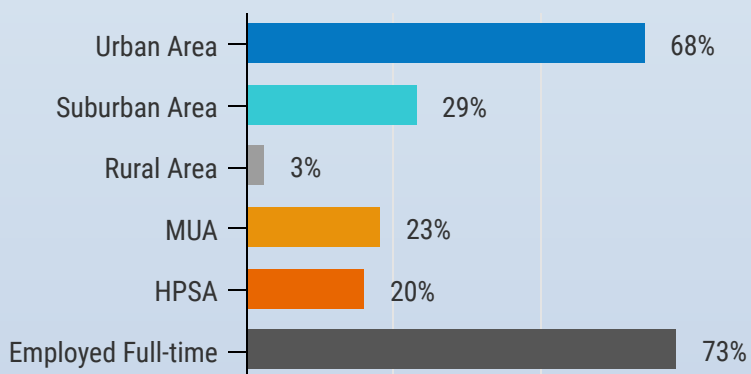
**94%** graduates are currently employed in their specialty.



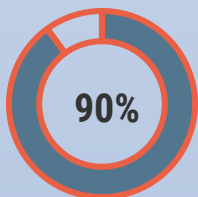
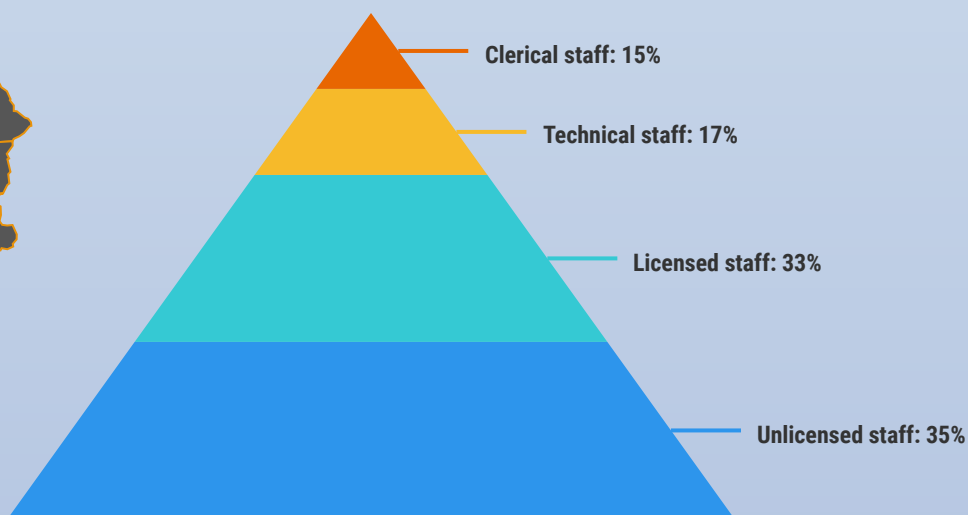
## EMPLOYMENT DETAILS



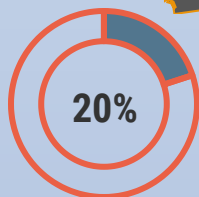
## Employment Location



## Management/Supervision Responsibilities



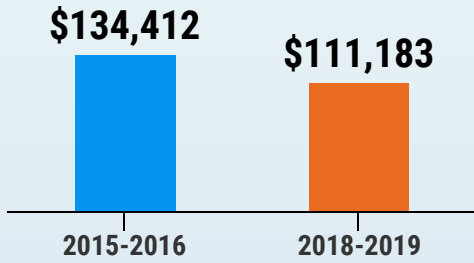
Employed in Direct Patient Care



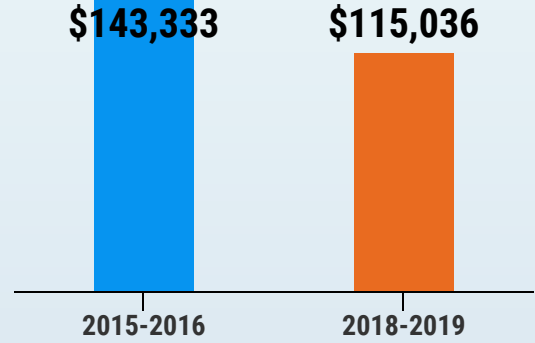
Clinical Preceptor in current job

# Annual Full-time Salaries (Average)

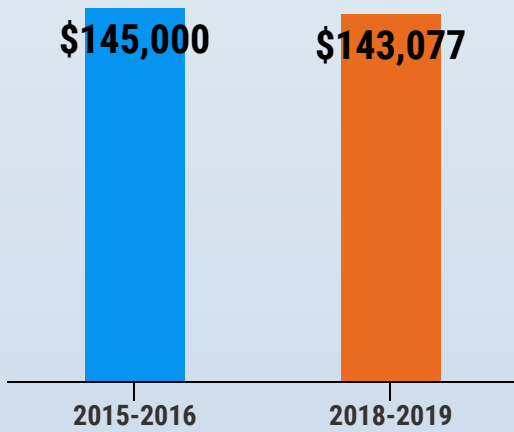
## ABSN and BSN



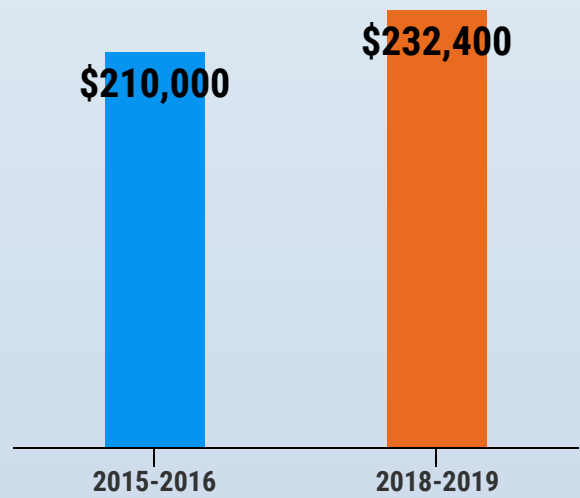
## ELCM and ELFNP



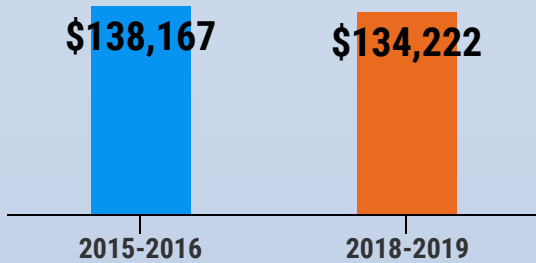
## FNP, CM and DNP



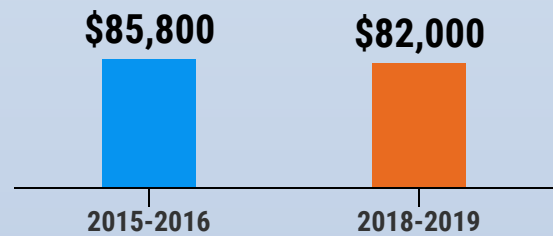
## CRNA



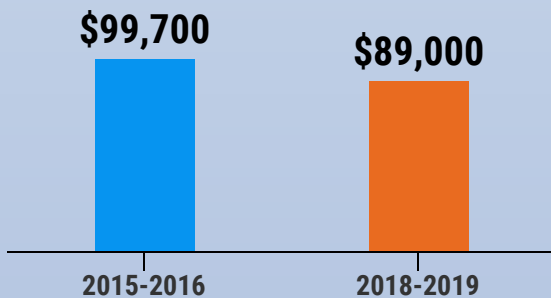
## MPA



## MOT

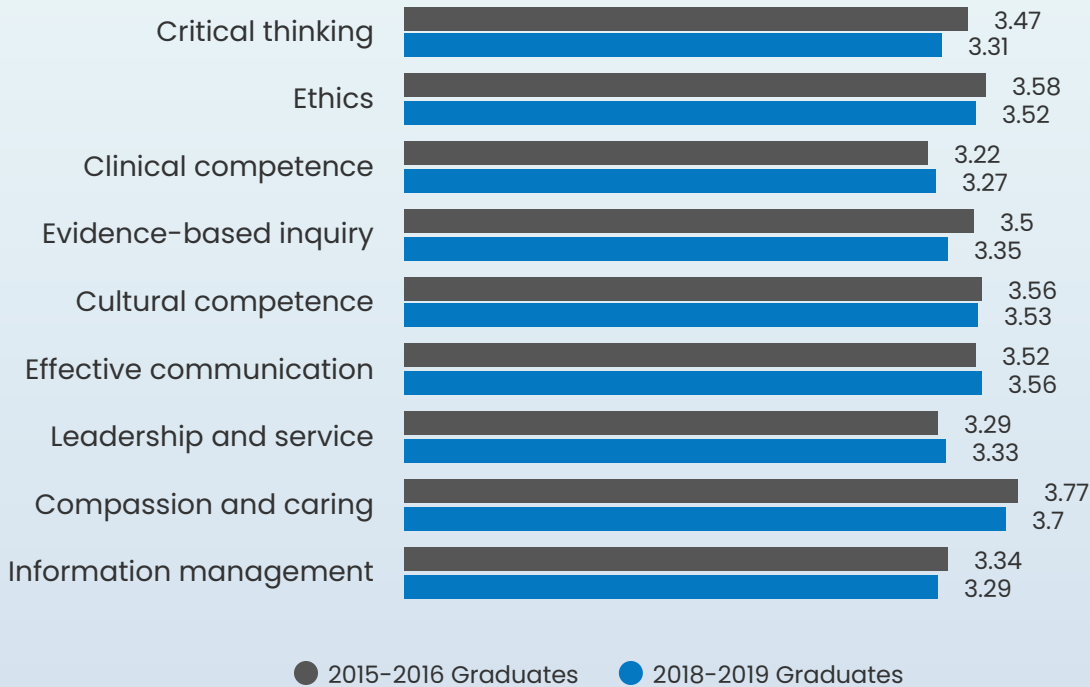


## DPT



# Competency Ratings (self assessment)

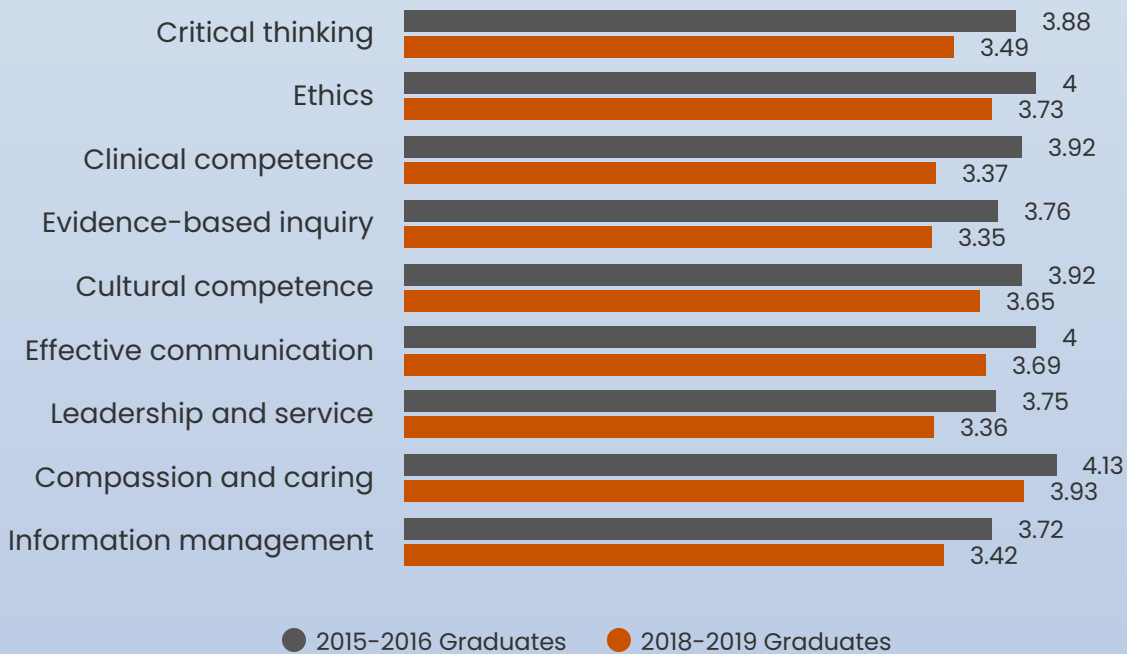
## Level of Competence at Graduation



Graduates leave SMU with higher levels of competency in "Ethics", "Cultural competence" and "Compassion and caring" outcomes compared to other outcomes

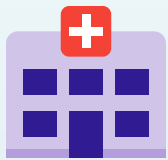
Scale - 1: Below Entry Level 5: Master Clinician Level

## Current Level of Competence

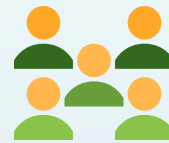


Competency levels increase the most in areas of "Ethics", "Effective Communication" and "Leadership and Service" after three years in the profession

## Other Achievements



Pursued advanced certifications/degrees **(24%)**



Participated in health-related community service **(10%)**

Participated in research projects **(9%)**



Published articles **(2%)**



Received honors/awards/grants **(8%)**

## Alumni Satisfaction



**88% would recommend SMU to others**



**92% report expectations met/exceeded at SMU**



**70% satisfied/very satisfied with value of investment at SMU**



**48% find educational debt unreasonable**

Would Recommend SMU because.....

"Great education"  
"Knowledgeable faculty"  
'Quality clinical sites"  
"Great time/value ratio"  
"Solid reputation"  
"Diversity, small class sizes"

Would Not Recommend SMU because...

"Very expensive"  
"Unorganized"  
"Debt burden"  
"The program was too quick"

Alumni expectations from SMU....

"Aid in job search"  
"Continued library access"  
"Alumni reunions"  
"Better clinicals and preceptorships"  
"Alumni to new grad mentorship program"