



# LEARNING NEWSFLASH

Innovative Strategies and Tools to Enrich Knowledge

In this Issue:

- A look at work readiness from the 2018 Future Workforce Survey.
- Further interesting findings from the survey.

## ARE YOUR STUDENTS READY FOR THE WORKFORCE? – AND OTHER FINDINGS

A recent survey conducted by McGraw-Hill Education found that, overall, students don't feel confident with their workforce preparedness. Reports indicate that of the US College students participating:

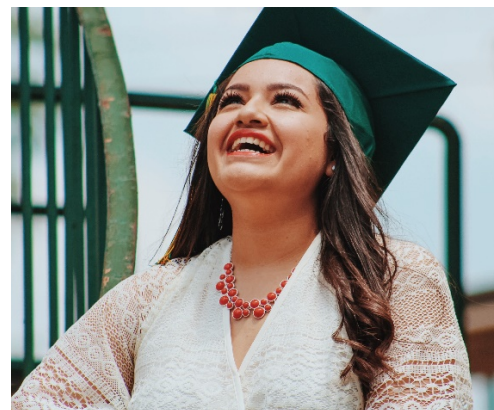
- 41% were very/extremely prepared for the workforce
- 50% of males vs. 36% of females felt very/extremely prepared
- 51% indicated a desire for more internships and professional experiences

The workforce readiness and skills gap gets smaller each year – but still needs additional work so that students graduate with confidence. Some common traits found in prepared students included:

- They spoke often with faculty/staff about career options.
- At least one university official initiated a conversation about their career options.
- They believed their school was committed to helping them find a rewarding career.

Additional key findings from the survey included:

- **77% of students** were confident in their professionalism & work ethic (vs.)
- **43% of employers** felt recent graduates were proficient in professionalism & work ethic
- More experience helped students feel more career-ready
- ~33% of students are considered non-traditional
- A greater portion of men in 2018 felt more prepared for the college rigor than women



- Students feel that their instructors have generally done the most to prepare them for the future
- All levels of college students reported spending an equal amount of time searching for work.

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