Degrees With a Difference

MASTER’S DESTINATIONS: Not-for-Profit

Over a 20-year period (1999-2019), approximately 4,000 students graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College’s (OAC) graduate programs. The Master’s Destinations Overview documents their career status as of 2019. The Not-for-Profit Sector includes organizations that are created and operated solely for purposes other than profit.

Demographics of master’s graduates working in the Not-for-Profit Sector


*Due to limitations of available historical data, we regret that non-binary gender classifications are not reported

Job titles of master’s graduates in the Not-for-Profit Sector in 2018-2019

Project Manager Specialist Teacher Analyst
Manager Research Associate
Consultant Advisor Vice President Director
Coordinator Coordinator Council Member
Sales & Services Representative Policy Analyst
Assistant Manager Administrator

Academic Unit distribution for the Not-for-Profit Sector

- Environmental Design and Rural Development 50%
- Animal Biosciences 30%
- Environmental Sciences 9%
- Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics 7%
- Plant Agriculture 3%
- Food Science 28%

Top five employment categories of master’s graduates in the Not-for-Profit Sector

- Management & Administration 30%
- Agriculture 24%
- Health Services 15%
- Environment 9%
- Financial & Law Services 6%

WHY PURSUE A MASTER’S DEGREE?

1. Start a new career or shift the direction of your current career path
2. Upgrade your knowledge to be more competitive in the job market
3. Learn about new research and acquire skills in the latest methods and tech
4. Expand your professional network with employers and collaborators
5. Obtain the expertise to pursue your interests or entrepreneurial ideas

+ Master’s graduates can earn up to 47% more

Statistics Canada found that master’s degree graduates (from 2010-2015) made 40-47% more than undergraduate degree holders two years after graduation (StatsCan, 2019).

Why study at OAC?

1. Tackle some of the most important challenges facing our world
2. Job opportunities are in abundance
3. Work with innovative technologies
4. Study a range of interdisciplinary subject areas
5. Join a community with a shared goal to improve Life