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2024-2025 Graduate Report

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Office of Career Services

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

The Career Services Office aims to promote student success through a wide range of career and employment services. We are dedicated to nurturing personal growth and development by supporting our students in their academic, career, and employment pursuits.

Meet Our Team



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AVAILABLE SERVICES:



Career Exploration

- Focus 2 Career: FREE career assessment available for WVSU students
- Comprehensive four-year career planning guide

Career Closet

- Free business professional clothing

Career Fairs and Workshops

Graduate School Preparation

- Students can schedule an appointment with Career Services to review their graduate school application and timeline, ensuring they are well-prepared and informed about what to expect.

Handshake

- A platform for students and alumni to connect with potential employers
- Allow students the ability to apply for various positions, including work-study, internships, and full-time roles

Interview Preparation and Mock Interviews

- Students can schedule a mock interview with Career Services staff or a regional employer
- Students receive constructive feedback to enhance their interviewing skills

Resume and Cover Letter Writing

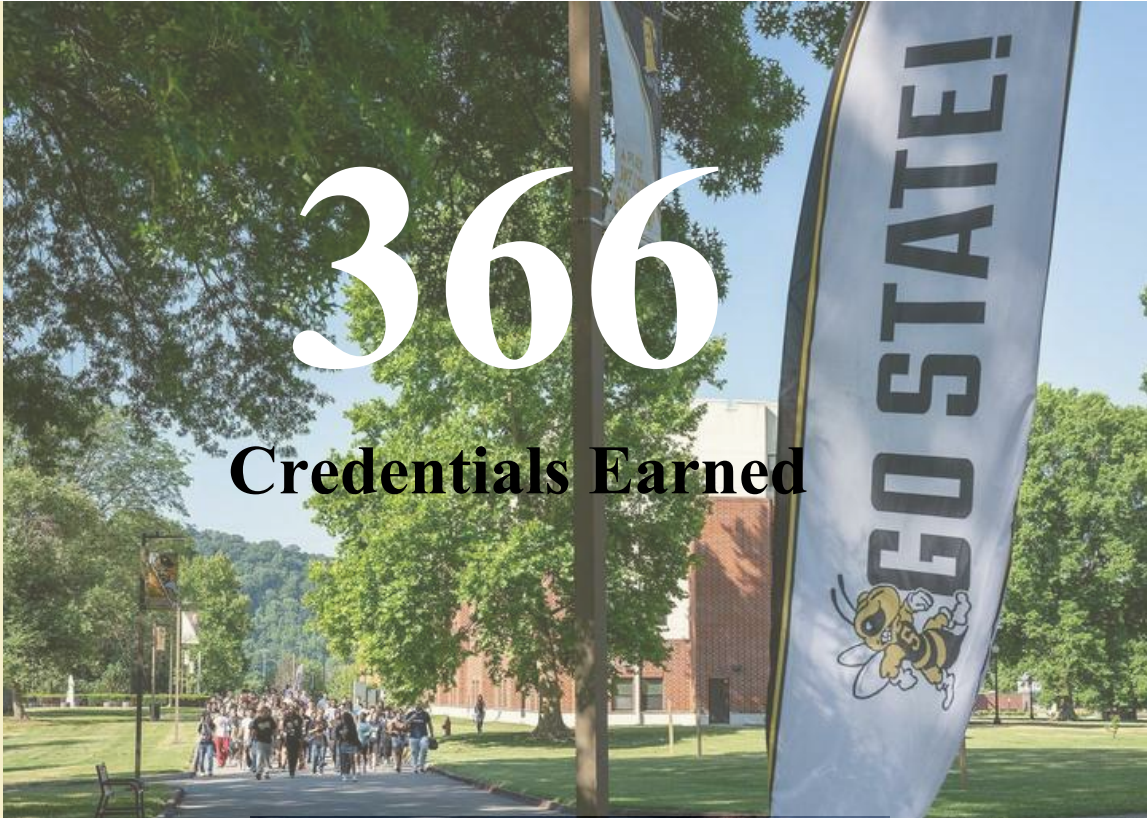
- Students receive assistance with creating or updating their resume and cover letters.



Methods of Data Collection:

The Office of Career Services uses the First Destination Survey (FDS) through Handshake to collect graduate data. A First Destination Survey is used to capture information regarding how new college graduates fare in their careers within six months of graduation. The initiative is to provide clear, concise, and consistent data on the outcomes associated with a college education on a national scale. All questions are compliant with NACE

Academic Year at a Glance



366

Credentials Earned

364

Unduplicated Students

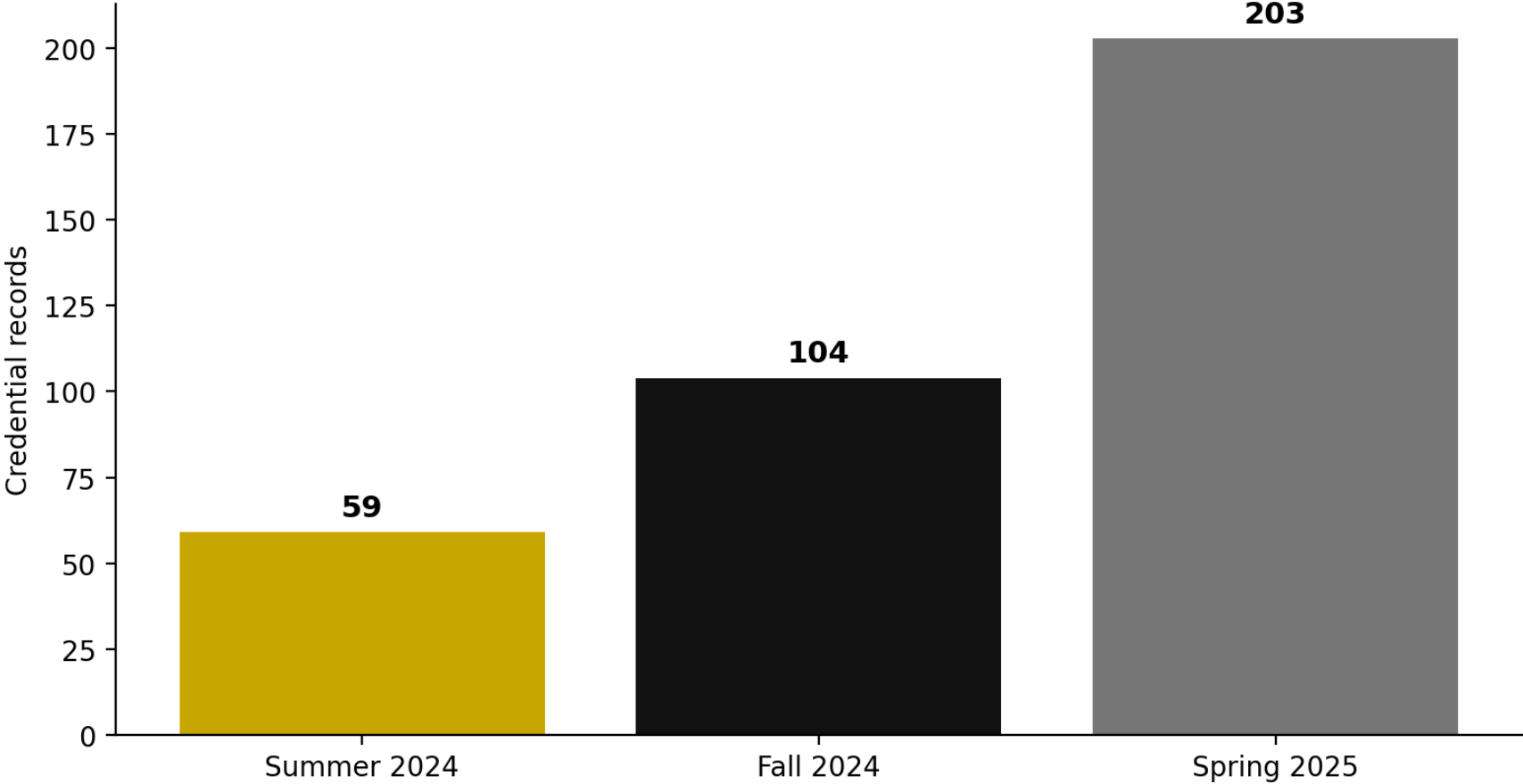
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Students Responded

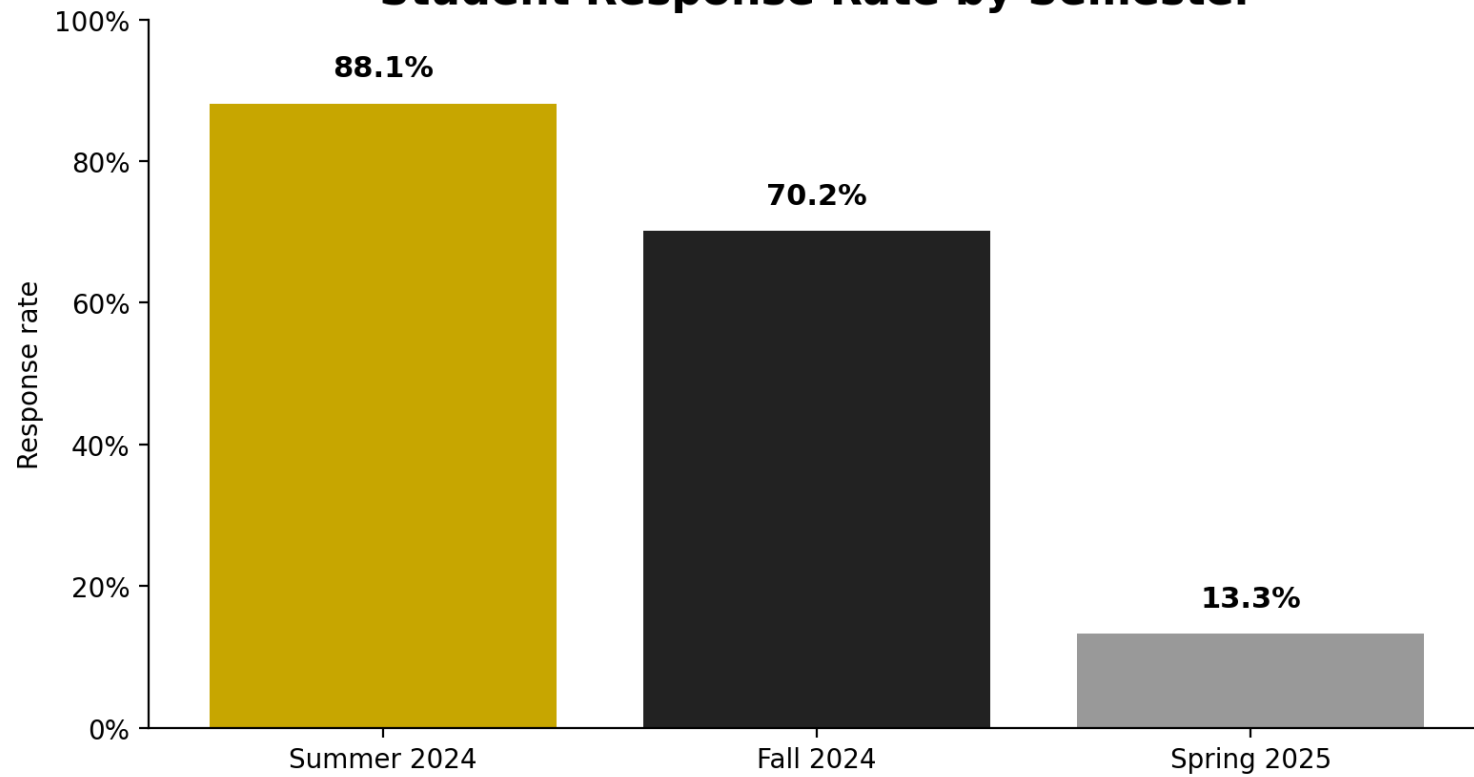
* Credentials include Bachelors Degrees, Masters Degrees, and Certifications.

Graduates by Semester

Credential Records by Semester

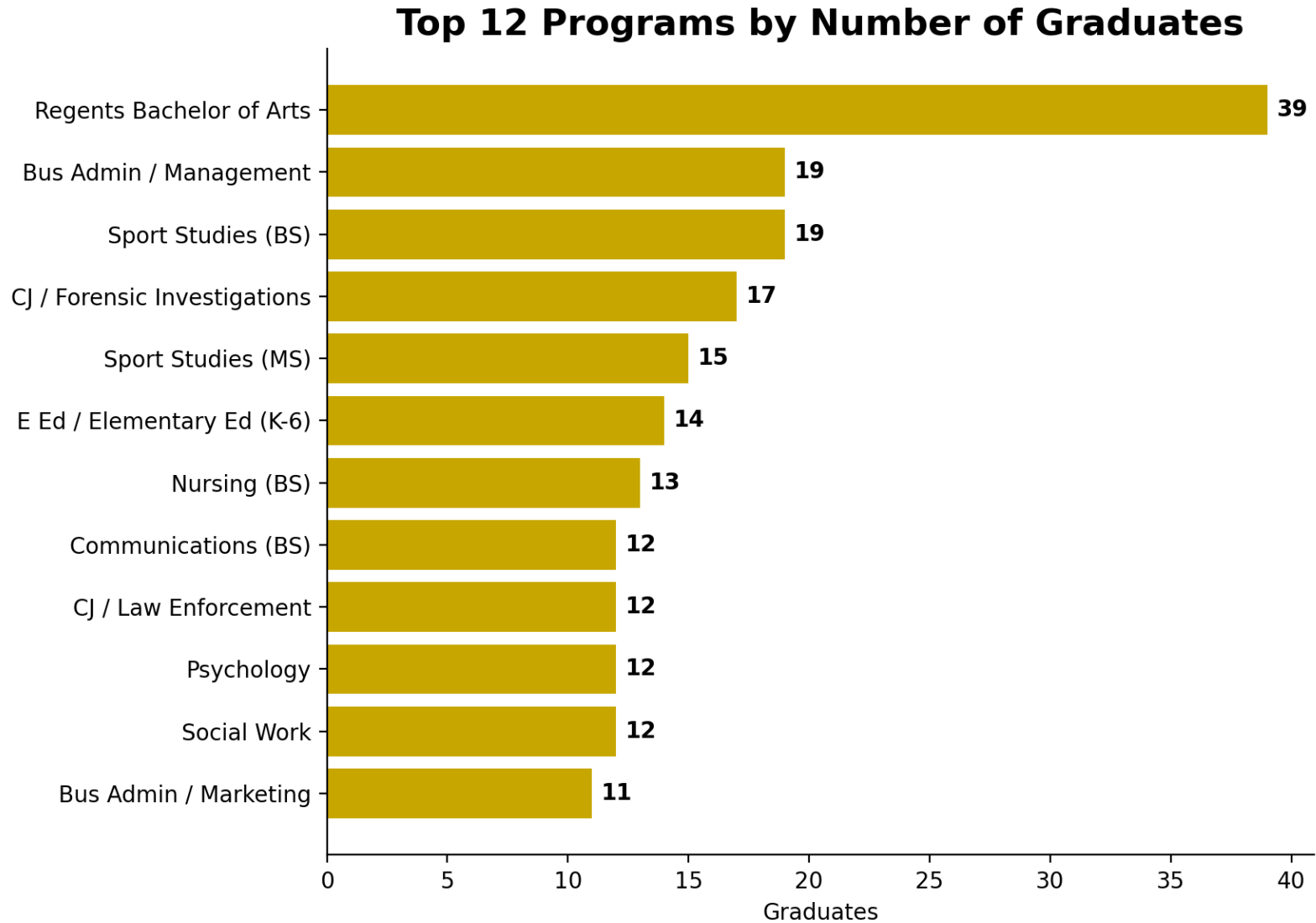


Student Response Rate by Semester



- Spring 2025 accounted for 203 credential records, the largest term in the year.
- Summer 2024 showed the strongest response activity at 88.1%.

Graduates by Program



The chart above highlights the twelve programs with the highest graduate counts across the academic year.

Program totals below provide a complete count for every academic program represented in the file.

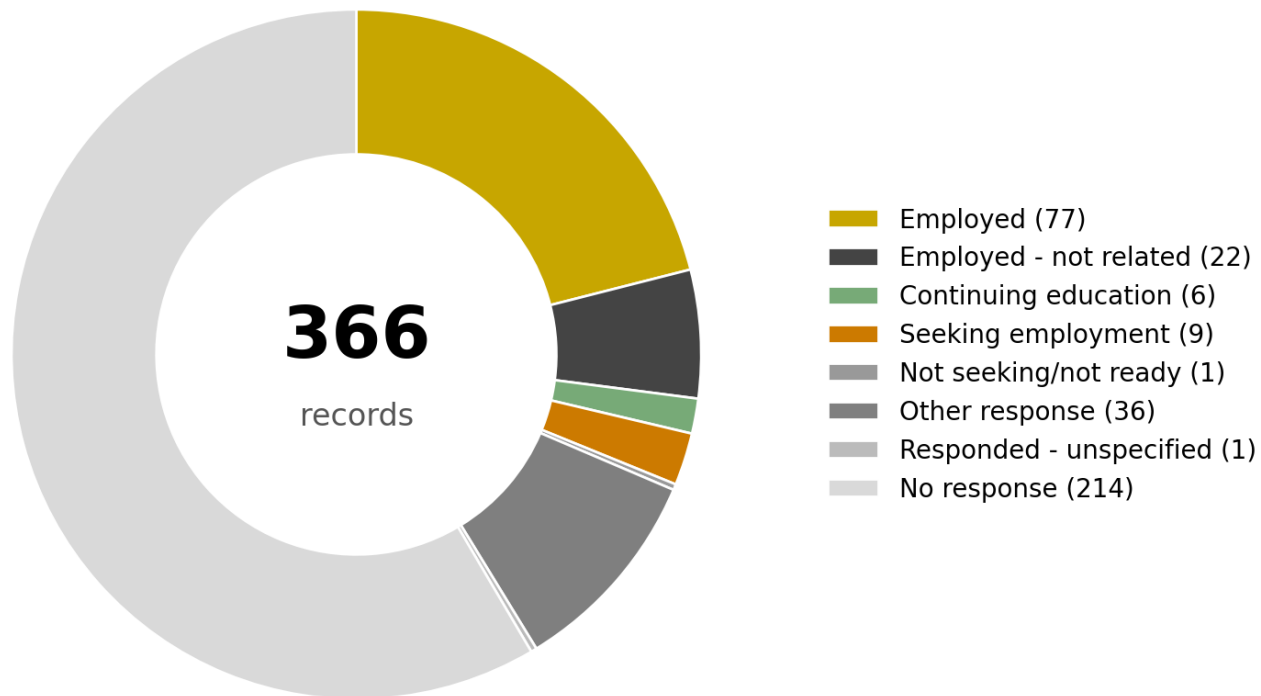
Program	Graduates
Regents Bachelor of Arts	39
Bus Admin / Management	19
Sport Studies (BS)	19
CJ / Forensic Investigations	17
Sport Studies (MS)	15
E Ed / Elementary Ed (K-6)	14
Nursing (BS)	13
CJ / Law Enforcement	12
Communications (BS)	12
Psychology	12
Social Work	12
Bus Admin / Marketing	11
LS/Instret Ldrshp Lcnr-ONLINE	11
M Ed / Instructional Leadrshp	11
Computer Science (BS)	10
Master of Public Admin (MPA)	10
Bus Admin / Accounting	9
CJ / Courts & Legal Studies	9
Biology / General	7
Biotechnology (MS)	7
Computer Science (MS)	7
English / Technical Writing	7
Biology / Plant & Soil Science	6

Biology / Pre-Med & Biomedical	6
Bus Admin / Finance	6
CJ Administrtrn (MS) - ONLINE	6
History	6
Interdisciplinary Studies	6
Studio Art	6
Sport Studies /Pre-Profssional	5
Hlth Sci / Ldrshp Allied Hlth	3
Bachelor Fine Arts / Instrmntl	2
Bus Admin / Agribusiness	2
CJ / Corrections	2
Economics	2
Economics / Agriculture	2
Engineering / Civil (BS)	2
Hlth Sci / Comm Hlth Education	2
MA Ed / English (5-Adult)	2
MA Ed / Soc Studies (5-Adult)	2
Mathematics / Applied	2
A Ed / Biology (9-Adult)	1
Bus Admin / Intl Business	1
Bus Admin / Managemnt - ONLINE	1
Bus Admin / Mgmt Info Systems	1
CJ / Crts & Legl Stds - ONLINE	1
CJ / Forensic Science	1
EMA Ed / Music	1

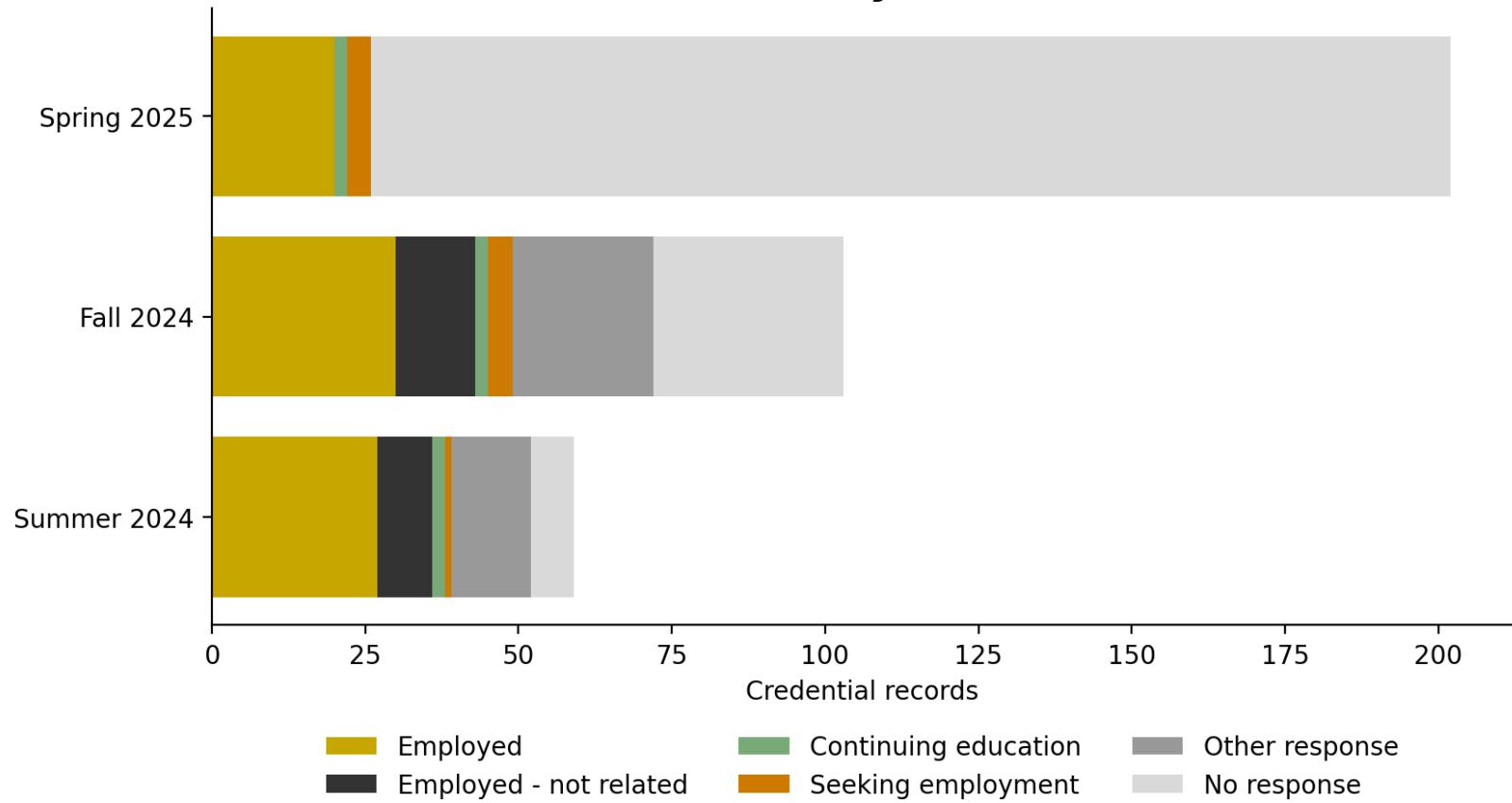
Engineering / Chemical (BS)	1
MA Ed / Business Ed (5-Adult)	1
Mathematics / Classical	1
Media Studies (MA)	1
Media Studies / Pub Hlth Comm	1
Political Science / General	1

Post-Graduation Outcomes

Post-Graduation Outcome Distribution



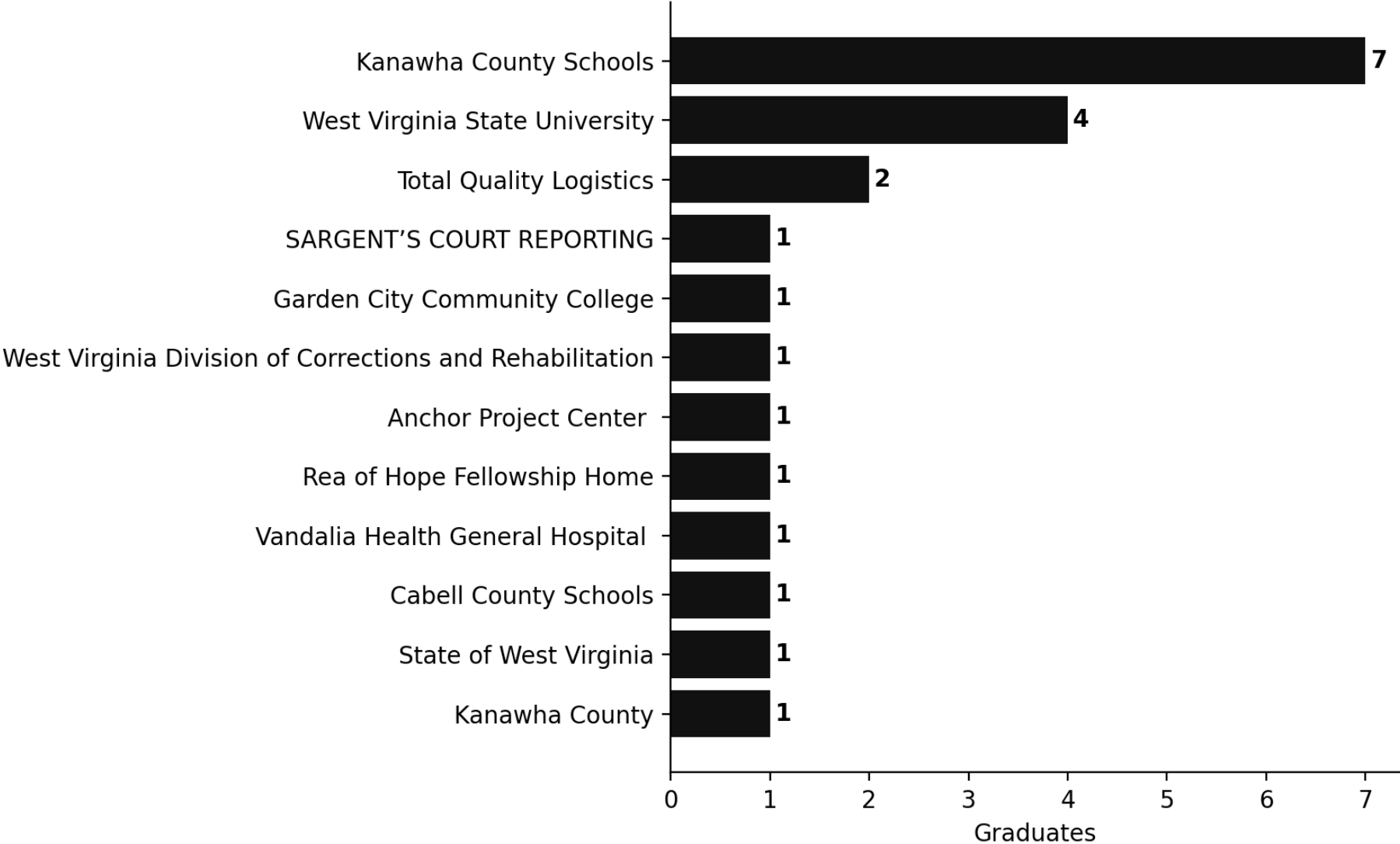
Outcomes by Semester



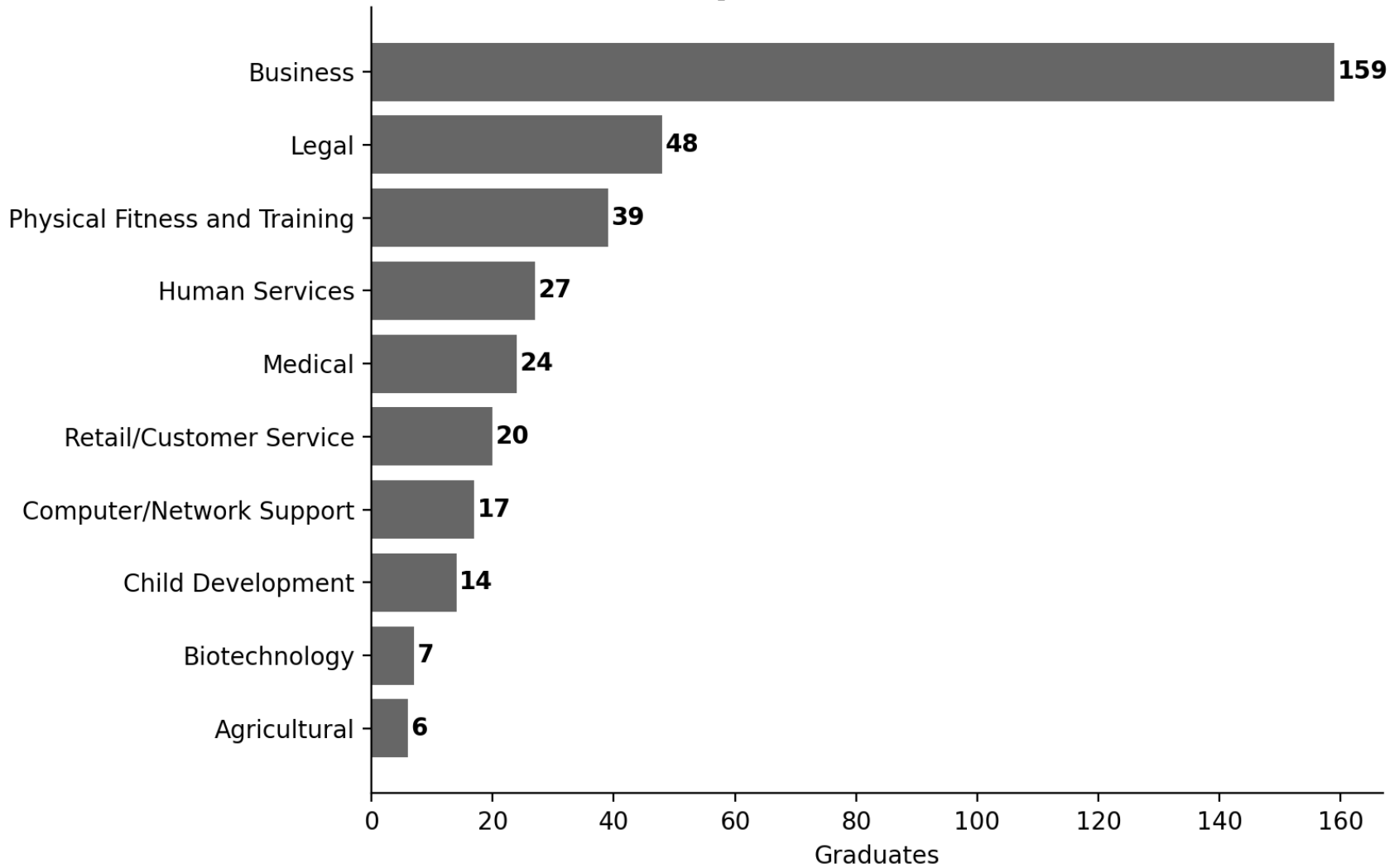
- 214 records did not contain a student response, making non-response the largest category in the file.
- 77 graduates reported employment and 22 reported employment outside their major field.
- 6 graduates reported continuing education and 9 indicated they were still looking for employment.

Employers and Industries

Top Reported Employers



Reported Industries



Employer data was available for a subset of graduates. The charts above summarize the most frequently reported employers and the most common industries represented in the graduate file.

Program Outcome Snapshot

Top Programs: Outcome Snapshot

Regents Bachelor of Arts -	4	4	1	3	25
Sport Studies (BS) -	5	0	0	0	14
Bus Admin / Management -	2	1	0	1	14
CJ / Forensic Investigations -	1	1	0	1	10
Sport Studies (MS) -	5	1	0	0	5
E Ed / Elementary Ed (K-6) -	6	1	0	1	6
Nursing (BS) -	5	0	0	0	8
Social Work -	1	0	0	0	10
Psychology -	2	0	1	0	7
CJ / Law Enforcement -	2	1	0	0	7

Employed
 Employed - not related
 Continuing education
 Seeking employment
 No response

The matrix above shows how the most popular programs are distributed across key outcome categories. Darker cells indicate larger counts. This view is especially useful for identifying programs with high graduate volume but limited response data.

Appendix A: Semester Detail

Semester	Credentials	Unduplicated students	Responses	Response rate
Summer 2024	59	57	52	88.1%
Fall 2024	104	104	73	70.2%
Spring 2025	203	203	27	13.3%

Reported employers

Employer	Count
Kanawha County Schools	7
West Virginia State University	4
Total Quality Logistics	2
Kanawha County	1
Vandalia Health General Hospital	1
Cabell County Schools	1
State of West Virginia	1
Rea of Hope Fellowship Home	1
Garden City Community College	1
West Virginia Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation	1
Anchor Project Center	1
SARGENT'S COURT REPORTING	1
Highway Division of WV	1
Premier Group	1
Take 5 car wash	1
West Virginia Department of Transportation	1

North West Title Family of Companies	1
Nautilus	1
YMCA Of Huntington	1
Huseby Global Litigation	1
West Virginia Legislature	1
DuPont Middle School	1
WVSU	1
Enterprise	1
West Virginia Building and Construction Trades	1
Clay County High School	1
WV Departemnt of Health	1
Logan County Schools	1
Nitro Construction Services, Inc	1
WV Department of Health and Human Resources	1
Charleston Area Medical Center	1
Agriplex genomics	1
Planet Fitness	1
CAMC	1
Las Vegas Raiders	1
Prestera Health Services	1
Saginaw Valley State University	1
Enterprise Mobility	1
WVU Medicine	1
CAMC Women and Children's Hospital	1
West Virginia State University Research and Development Corp	1

Chambers Realty	1
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation / JBS USA	1
WV EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION	1
AM Concrete	1
Wayne County Board of Education	1
West Virginia Judiciary	1
Children's Home Society of West Virginia	1
Thomas Memorial Hospital	1
Carahsoft	1
Highmark Health Options West Virginia	1
West Virginia Department of Health and Human Services	1
Peak Health	1
Worley	1
Pecos Bills!	1
Nautilus Gym	1
Generations Physical Therapy	1
Mercer County Schools	1
RCBOE	1
Tennessee State University	1