



CARLSON SCHOOL  
OF MANAGEMENT

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FINANCE

# EMPLOYMENT REPORT 2020



# LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR



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Greetings from the Graduate Business Career Center,

It is my pleasure to share the 2020 Employment Report for our graduate business students here at the Carlson School of Management. What a year 2020 has been for all of us. This pandemic and year of uncertainty has forced our office to adapt and change quickly. Across industries we have seen changes in the way we work and how we hire and onboard. We have been forced to look at our services and events and ask ourselves to work harder and do better to demand inclusivity. I cannot tell you how much we have appreciated the flexibility of our employer partners and our students during this time. With such a spirit of adaptability, positivity, and collaboration we have been able to provide excellent virtual events that continue to connect our employers to our students. Thank you for being so supportive along the way.

We are so pleased to report that despite the challenges introduced in 2020 we still saw excellent employment percentages for our graduate students across our MBA, MSBA, MHRIR, and MSF programs. Average starting base salaries were steady year over year and some programs saw slight increases. The majority of these offers (50-75%, depending on program) came from engagement with our office. As more students are looking at quality of life when they assess offers, they come to us with questions about benefit packages. This is the second year since we started tracking vacation/paid time off, and we saw an average of 3.5 weeks PTO across companies and industries.

The GBCC held over 855 employer meetings, hosted 136 companies, and organized 174 events across 9 programs during the past year. Our coaches managed over 4,400 coaching appointments and delivered dozens of workshops. We strive to not only prepare our students well, but also deliver excellent customer service to our company partners. As one recruiter remarked, “[Our team] commented multiple times throughout the day on how well taken care of we were by the GBCC. We very much appreciated all of the hospitality, and are always excited to come back on campus to recruit with the GBCC and by the caliber of students from Carlson.”

2020 has truly been a year where our students exemplified business as a force for good. We saw students provide business support to local foodbanks and shelters, partner with arts organizations to help them adapt to changes in delivery due to COVID, and start ventures that provided food to frontline workers. This year has been unexpected and challenging, no doubt. It has also filled me with hope about the generation of business leaders coming out of the Carlson School. I am excited to watch them continue to grow, lead, and give back to our local, national, and global community.

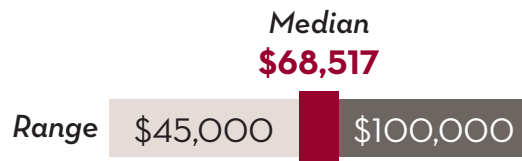
Thank you for your ongoing partnership! Go Maroon & Gold!

# MS - FINANCE - CLASS OF 2020 EMPLOYMENT REPORT



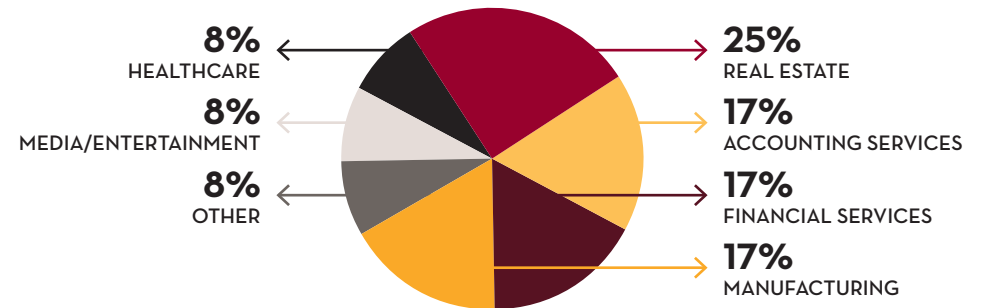
of 2020 graduates **accepted** employment offers within six months after graduation

**Base Salary\***  
(from the last 3 years)

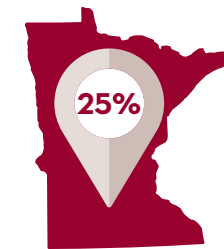


\*Based on useable salary information from 34% of students with accepted offers

## BY INDUSTRY



## WHERE GRADUATES ACCEPTED JOBS



Minnesota



China

**18**

GRADUATES



**14**

GRADUATES SEEKING  
FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT

## COMPANIES THAT HIRED (IN THE LAST 3 YEARS)

# CARLSON SCHOOL MSF STUDENTS



3M	GUOTAI AMC	SELF ESTEEM BRANDS
AVIATION INDUSTRY CORPORATION OF CHINA	HANKIN GROUP	SEQUEL RESPONSE
BANK OF CHINA	HUAXIA BANK	SHINEWING ACCOUNTING
BDO	JOBLOGIC-X	SKY VISION INSURANCE AGENCY
CAPELLA	MAZARS CPA LIMITED	SS&C
CARGILL	MCKESSON	SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES
CHAMPION CHEMICALS COMPANY LIMITED	MURPHY POHLAD ASSET MANAGEMENT	SUNSHINE INSURANCE GROUP
CHINA GALAXY SECURITIES	NETSMART TECHNOLOGIES	U.S. BANK
CITIC TRUST	OK BLOCKCHAIN CAPITAL	UNITEDHEALTH GROUP
COLUMBIA THREADNEEDLE INVESTMENTS	PARAMETRIC PORTFOLIO ASSOCIATES	VICA CONSULTANTS INTERNATIONAL
CRAIG-HALLUM CAPITAL GROUP	PERSONAL WEALTH PARTNERS	WILARY WINN
DOMINIUM MANAGEMENT SERVICES	PIPER JAFFRAY	WRIGHT MEDICAL GROUP N.V.
ECOLAB	PRO FINANCIAL SERVICES	YIHAI KERRY INVESTMENT
EY	SECURITY BANK & TRUST	YUPEI SHANGHAI

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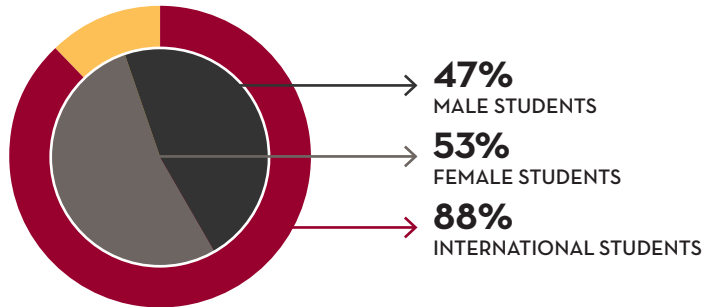


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FINANCE IN THE UNITED STATES

# MS - FINANCE CLASS PROFILES

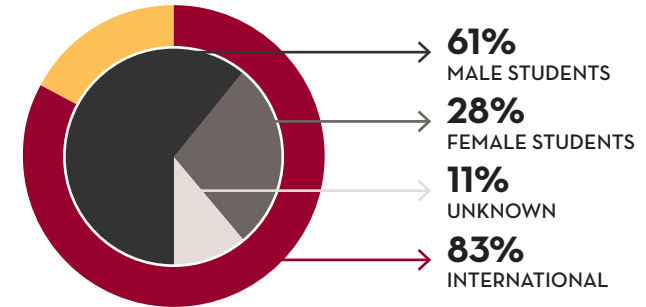
## CLASS OF 2020



AVERAGE GMAT SCORE **620**

AVERAGE FULL-TIME WORK EXPERIENCE **1.3 YEARS**

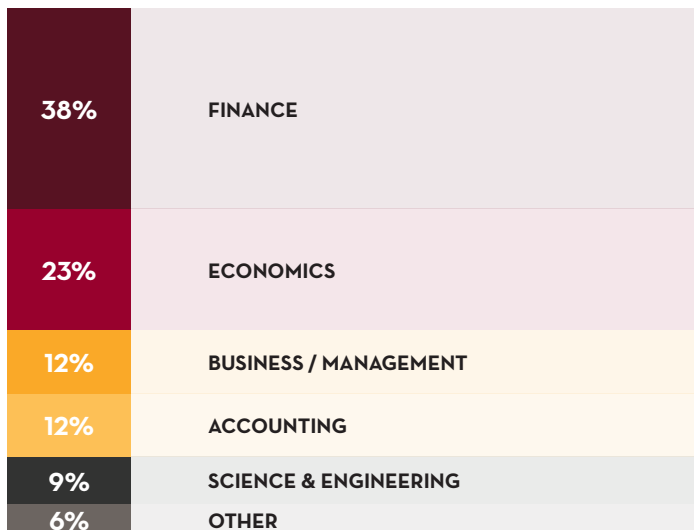
## CLASS OF 2021



MEDIAN GRE **315**

AVERAGE FULL-TIME WORK EXPERIENCE **1.8 YEARS**

## UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS



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