

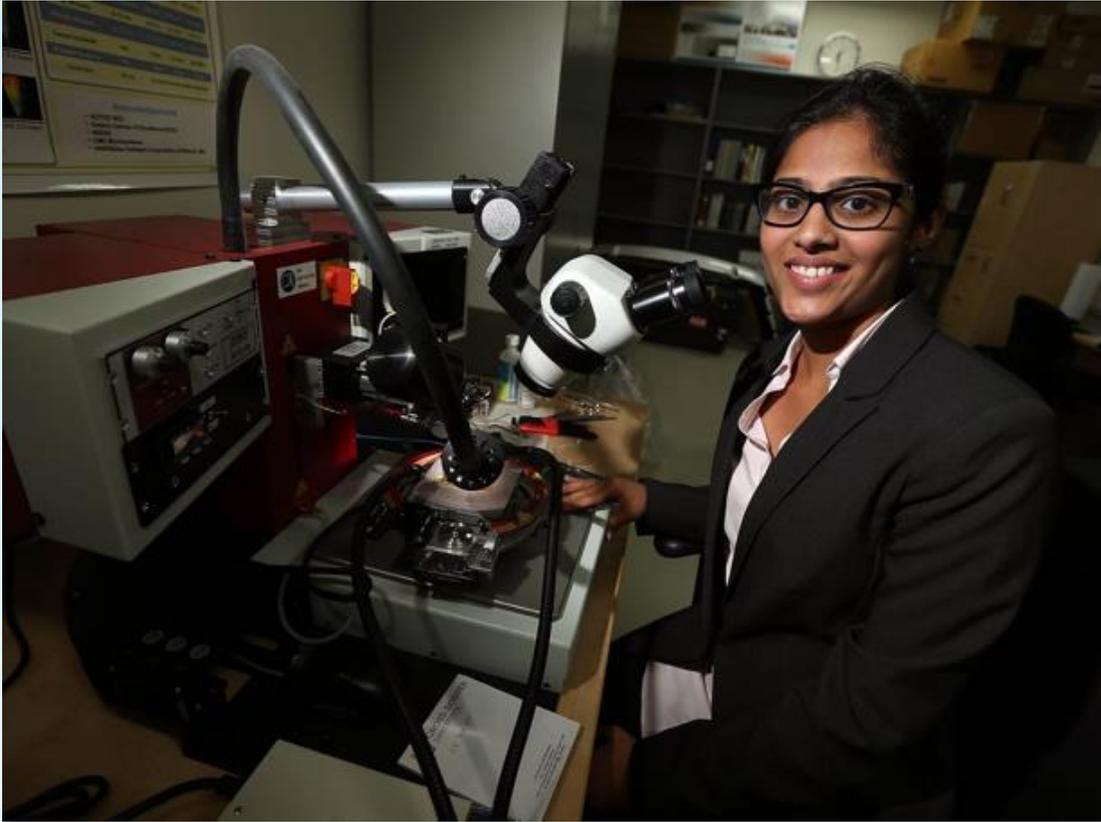
Opening Remarks

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The Ontario University System

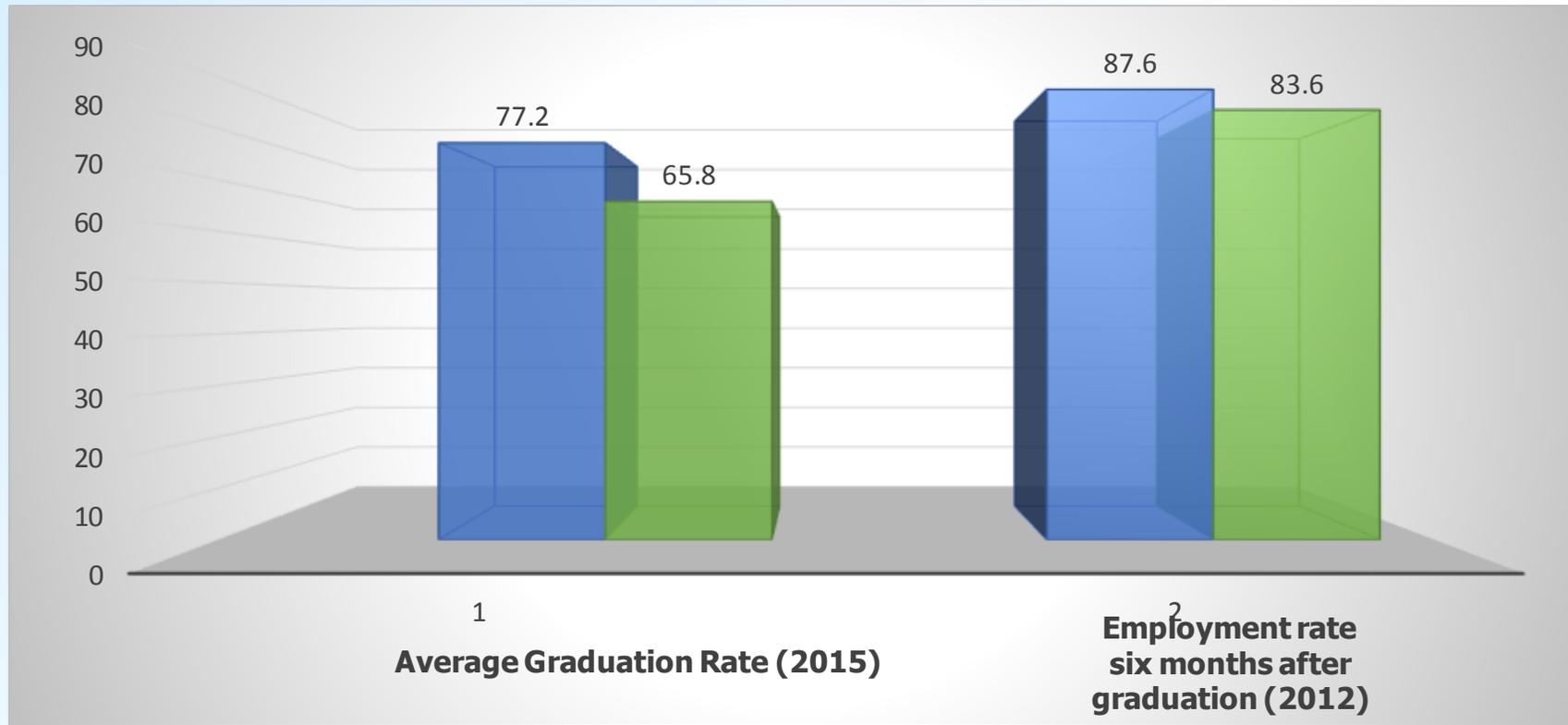


- 21 universities in 33 communities
- More than 100,000 students graduate every year
- 43% of Canada's university population educated there
- \$840 million disbursed in scholarships and bursaries
- 69% growth in enrolment since 2000



Graduation and Employment Rates

ON universities vs. other ON post-secondary institutions



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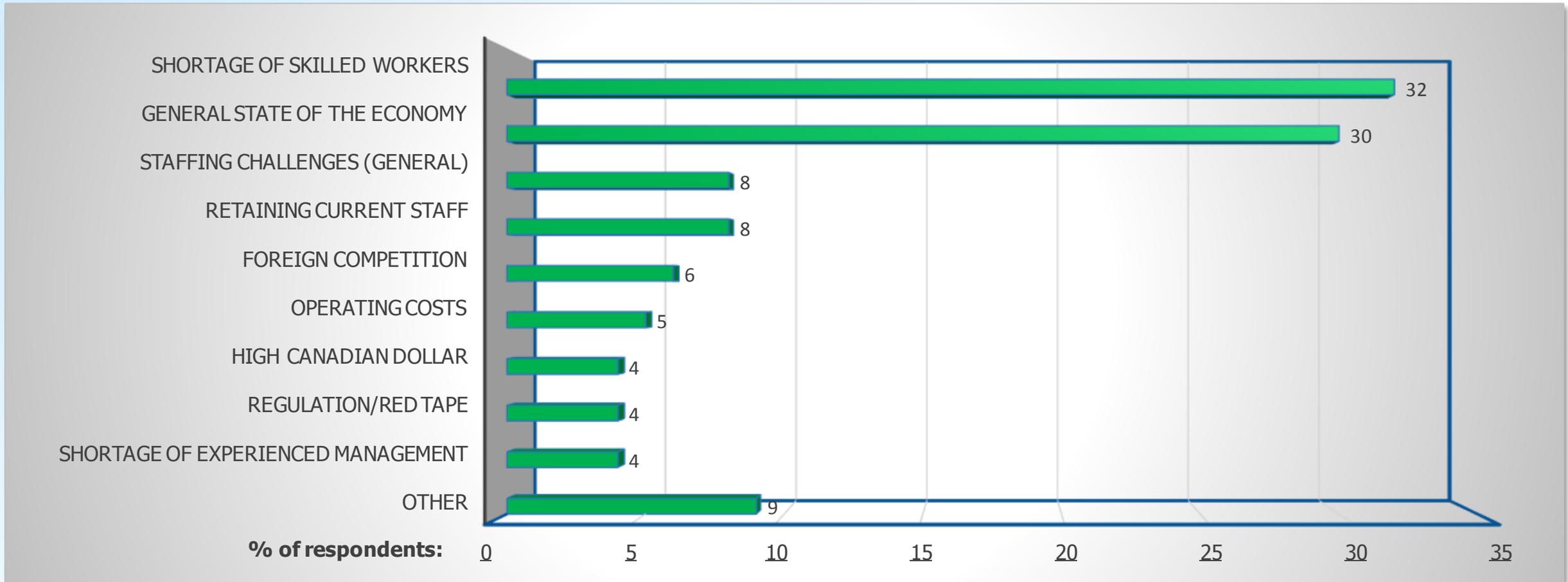
- 93.6% of graduates from bachelor degrees are employed two years after graduation

Earnings of Canadian post-secondary education graduates: A tax-linkage approach



- Overall, **2005 bachelor's degree graduates** earned **\$45,200** (in 2014 dollars) in the first year after graduation, **growing by 66% to reach \$74,900** eight years out.
- **College diploma graduates** who finished their studies in 2005 had mean annual earnings of **\$33,900** (in 2014 dollars) in the first year following graduation, **growing by 59% to \$54,000** eight years after graduation. (Finnie et al., 2016)

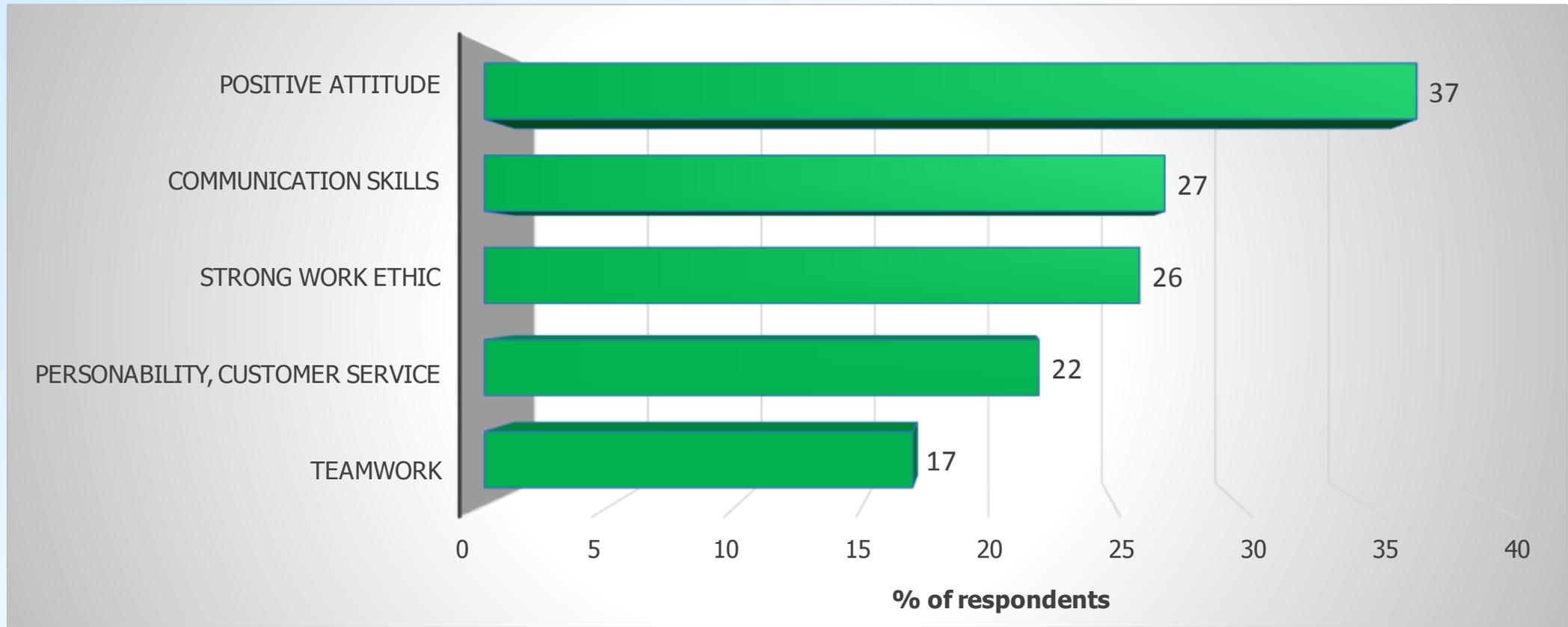
Canadian Employer Perspectives: What Are the Greatest Challenges Facing Canadian Businesses?



Respondents could select 2+ answers; % figures do not sum up to 100. 2013 TD Economics survey using data from Workopolis, Mind the Gap.



Canadian Employer Perspectives: According to executives, what soft skills are employers looking for?



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Who are UWindsor students?

57% of fourth-years work

18% first-generation students

Fourth most diverse city in Canada



80% cite financial pressures as an obstacle. UWindsor has the 3rd highest proportion of OSAP recipients in Ontario

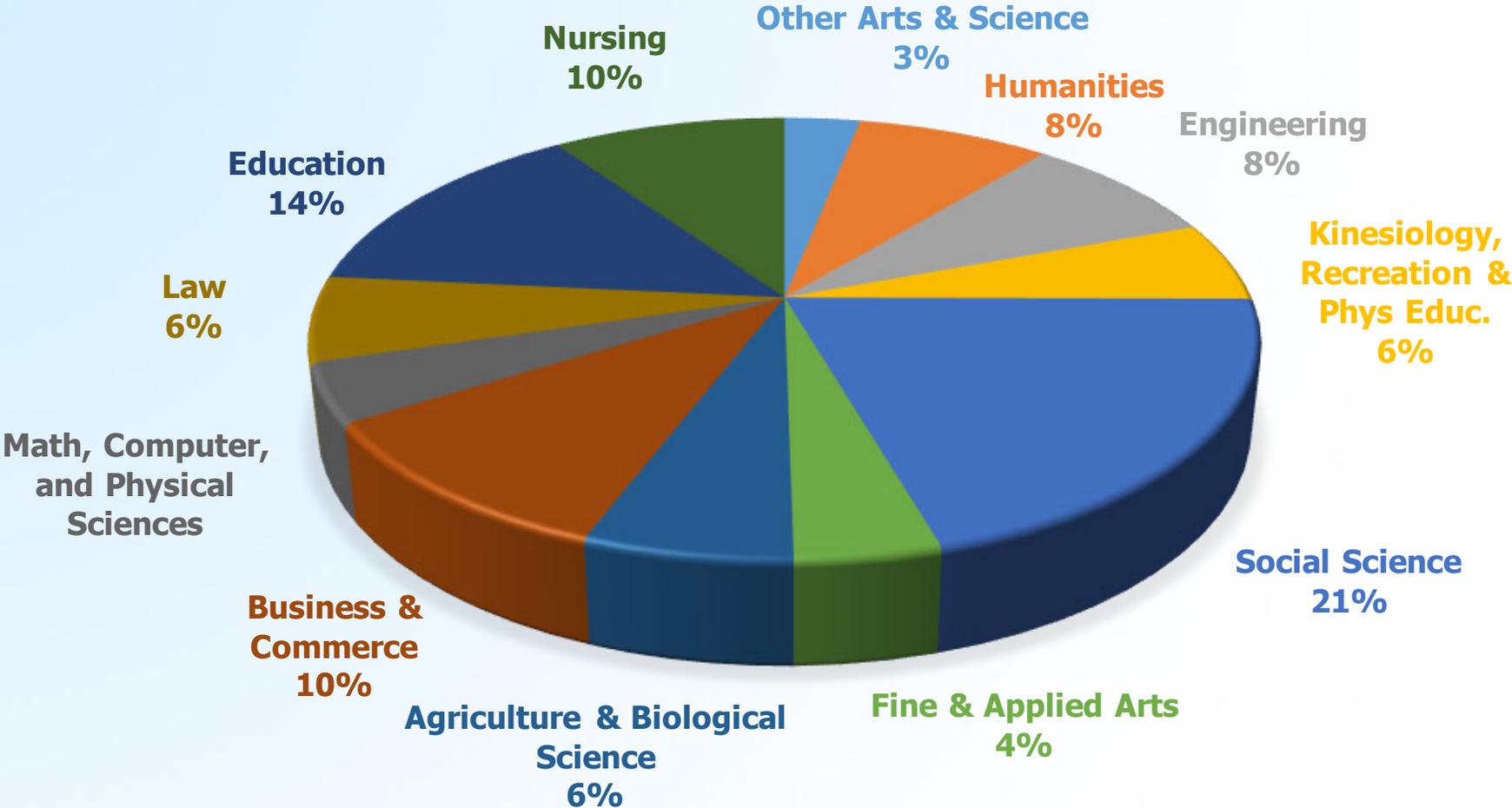
16,000 total students

19% international students

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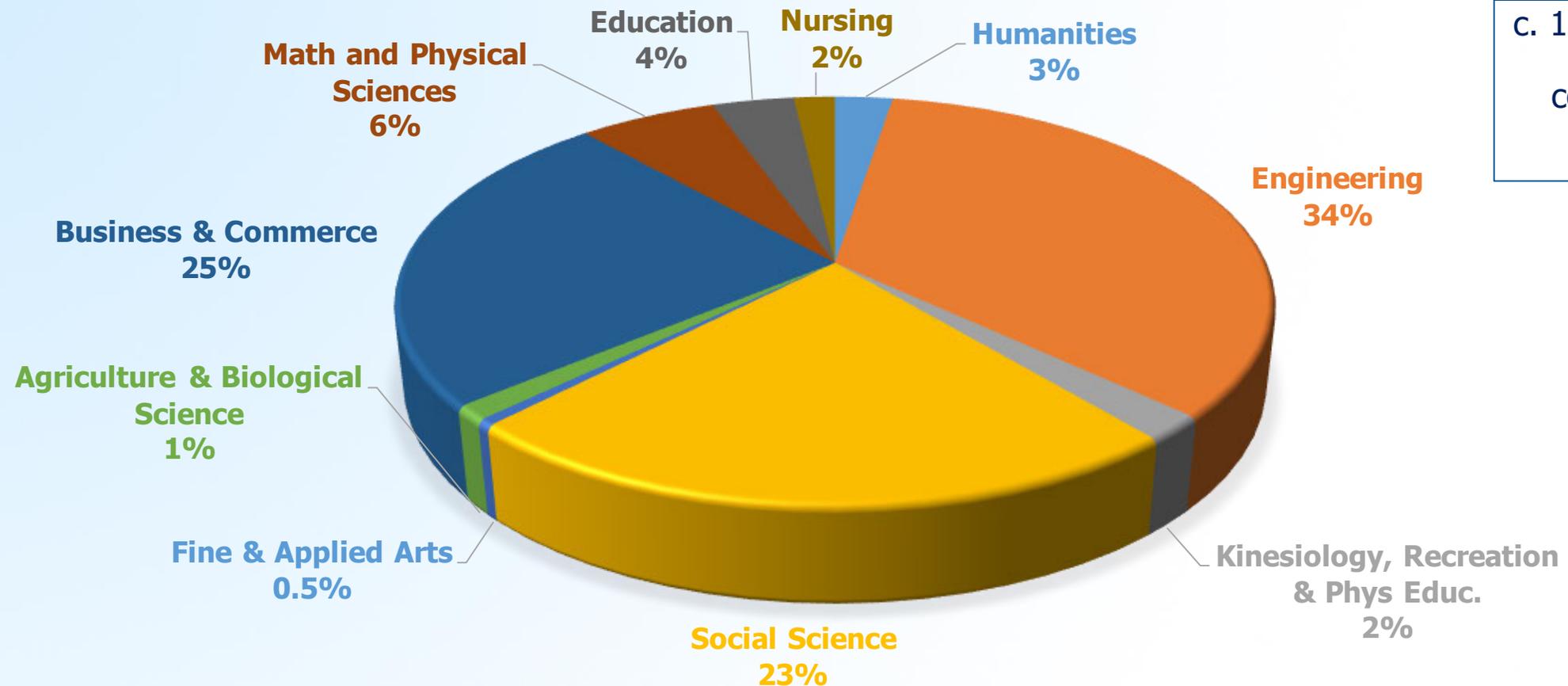
Undergraduate Degrees Conferred (2015)



- Graduation rate: 73.5%
- Average employment rate two years after graduation: 92.2%
- c. 3,100 undergraduate degrees conferred in 2015



Graduate Degrees Conferred (2015)



c. 1200 graduate degrees conferred in 2015



Work-Integrated Learning



Work-integrated learning (WIL) is a broad term that encompasses various pedagogical practices to create learning opportunities centered on the integration of academic learning and practical application in a work environment (Sattler, 2011).

Work-Integrated Learning in Ontario

- 50% of Ontario University students graduate with some form of **WIL experience**
- 36.5 % of **employers** responding to survey on WIL offered work-integrated placements between 2010 and 2012
- 448 **co-op programs** involve **34,700 students** annually
- **Nearly half** of university students undertake **volunteer work**



Work-Integrated Learning at UWindsor

- Fall 2016: More than **1,300 students** in formal co-ops programs at **200+ organizations**
- Many other formal work-placement programs, such as the **Volunteer Internship Program**, which in 2014-15 placed over 300 students with local non-profit and publicly-funded organizations
- **52%** of fourth-year students had taken a course involving a **community-based or service-learning** project
- **43%** took part in an **internship or field experience** while more than **22%** were involved in **research with faculty** (nearly half of all undergraduate science students!)



UWindsor in the Community: A Sampler

100,000+ hours

Social Work student contributions to health and human services organization

\$1 million

Amount raised for over 85 regional agencies by Business students in *Management and Organizational Life*

20,000 tickets

Sold for the Windsor International Film Festival, supported annually by 70+ students

1,000 high school students

Involved in the anti-bullying BLAST program developed and led by Education students

50,000+ hours

Psychology students' contributions to Health care and therapy services

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Ontario Universities: Economic Activity Generators



- Conference Board of Canada report – postsecondary institutions generate more than **\$55 billion in economic activity** every year
- Almost **700,000 jobs** are attributable to spending by those post-secondary institutions
- Ontario universities received **42% of externally generated research dollars** in Canada in 2013-14 (COU, 2015)

UWindsor: Generating Economic Activity

Midsize universities typically generate c. \$2.5 billion in economic activity.

\$3.3 million

Research revenue from other sources

\$13 million+

Research contract revenue

\$26 million

External research grant revenue

\$269.4 million

Est. total (in)direct economic stimulus
Impact of CEI construction

\$75 million

Downtown campus project, bringing 1,000
students into the downtown core (2014-17)

50 new faculty positions

Bringing new families, expertise, and initiatives to the community

**1,392 full-time & 2,520
student employees**



Sampler: UWindsor Research in the Windsor Essex Region

**The Cross Border Institute
& Institute for Border Logistics and Security**

**Great Lakes Institute for
Environmental Research**

**In/Terminus Creative
Research Collective**

**Canadian Invasive
Species Network**

**The Windsor
Cancer Research Group**

**The Community-University
Partnership**

**World Health
Innovation Network**

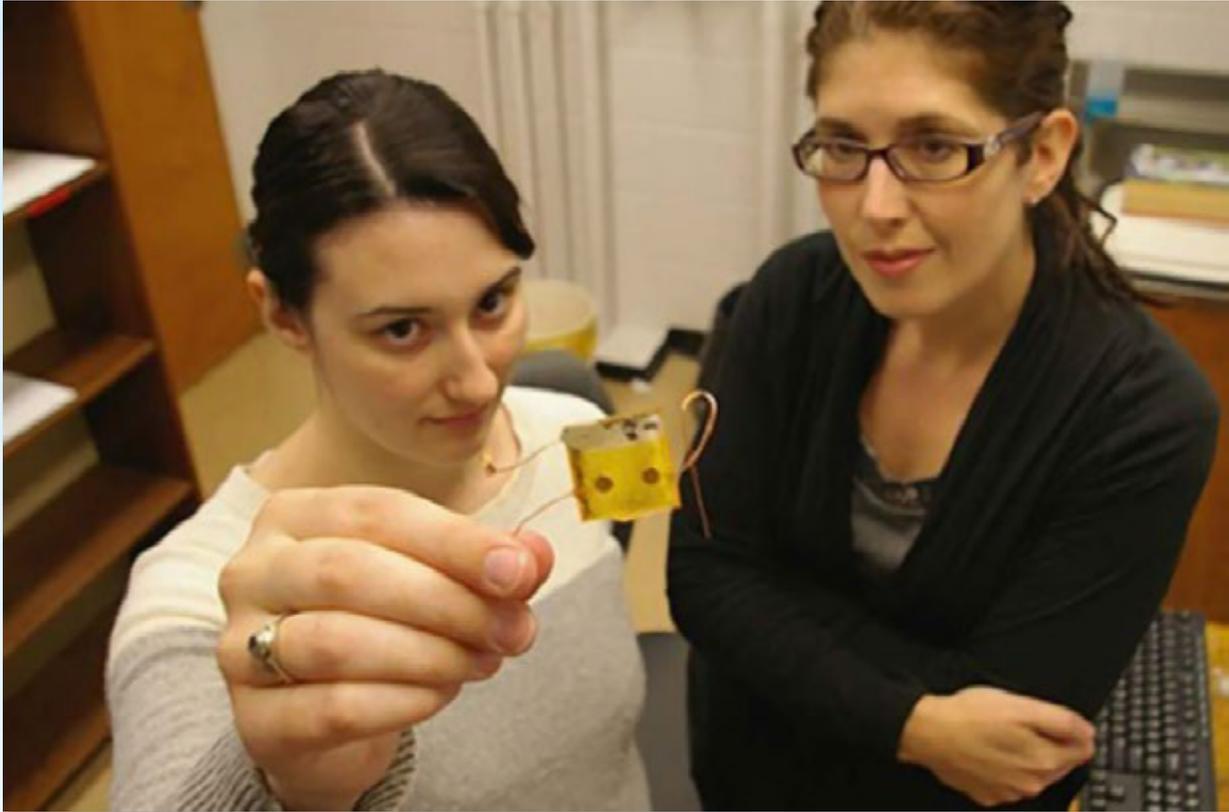
Automotive Research

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Today:



- What does the sector, and the community, need from graduates?
- What evolving or emerging challenges or opportunities does your sector -- and the region -- face?
- Where to next, as partners here?

Table Discussions



- On the back of your agenda (yellow sheet) you'll find a list of discussion questions.
- As a group, share your views and thoughts about each question – your table facilitators will help keep you on time and take notes.
- You don't have to answer all the questions. Depth is more important than breadth. Note takers, please note which question you are answering.
- If your faculty host's last name starts with A-M, start at the TOP of the question list. If it starts with N-Z, start at the bottom.

Thank you for your insights!

Here's to a great future!

