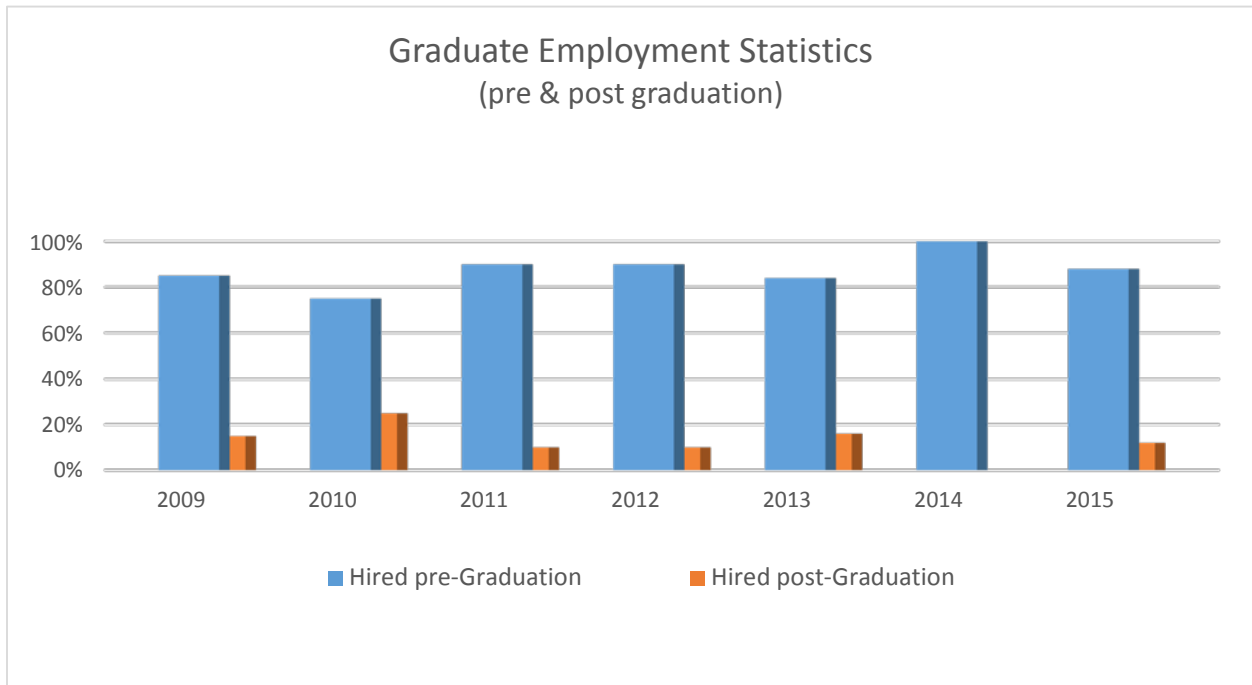


**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT - EMPLOYMENT & INTERNSHIPS**

As the economy has begun to improve over the last 5-6 years so have the employment opportunities for our students. Regardless of the national construction industry outlook, WSU Construction Management graduates have been incredibly successful in terms of securing full-time employment. The Construction Management program at WSU coordinates and facilitates recruiting efforts in-house for both internships and full-time employment. The chart below shows the continual improvement regarding the percentage of students hired before graduation. It's important to note that the students who were unable to secure full-time employment prior to graduation did indeed have full-time employment within 3 months of graduation. The average base salary for a WSU Construction Management graduate consistently hovers around \$55,000 plus a variety of fringe benefits.



Opportunities for employment are abundant for graduating Construction Management students. As such, students are securing employment in the residential, commercial, heavy civil and industrial sectors of the construction industry. More information regarding placement statistics can be found on the website.



**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT - AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

The WSU Construction Management program is a proud member of the Sigma Lambda Chi national honor society for Construction Management as the Gamma IV Chapter. Certified Construction

Management students in the top 20% of the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> year classes are invited to become members during the fall Semester. Additionally, the Construction Management faculty award the outstanding 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> year students based upon academic and extra-curricular prowess. The students are presented with the awards at the annual Voiland College of Engineering and Architecture convocation ceremony.



### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT - SCHOLARSHIPS**

In addition to university-wide scholarship opportunities, certified Construction Management students are encouraged to apply for numerous scholarship opportunities within the program and the School of Design and Construction. The generosity of donors has nearly doubled the amount of scholarship money available to our students in the last five years. The total disbursement for scholarships was approximately \$55,000 awarded in 2015.

The scholarship application process begins in January and notifications are made in March. Scholarship awards are given in the fall semester of the next academic year. The scholarships available to students are as follows:

*ACM - Harmon/Silliman Presidential Scholarship*  
*AGC Memorial Scholarship Fund*  
*AGC Scholarship - Inland Northwest Chapter*  
*AGC Scholarship - Washington*  
*AGC Scholarship - National*  
*Austin Robert & Jean Ward Scholarship Fund*  
*Brelsford Apartment Scholarship*  
*Construction Management Scholarship /Award Endowment*  
*David M & Louise M Scott Scholarship*  
*Donald Poe Scholarship Fund*  
*John and Karol Satterthwaite Scholarship Fund*  
*Larry & Joyce Fischer Scholarship in CM*  
*Masonry Institute Endowment*  
*National Association of Women in Construction*  
*Richard Garrison Memorial Scholarship*  
*S. Smith & E. Pond Scholarship*  
*Tri-City Construction Council*  
*PSF Mechanical, Inc. & Beardsley Family Foundation*  
*Skanska Scholars Scholarship (scholarship + internship)*  
*The Howard Scholarship (scholarship + internship)*

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT - COMPETITIONS

**ASC Student Competition.** Annually, students from the Construction Management program compete at the Associated Schools of Construction's Region 6 & 7 competition held in Sparks, Nevada. This is one of the largest construction management student competitions in the nation. Annually, there are over 1,100 students competing on approximately 173 different teams from 43 universities in 17 different categories over a two-day period. Each year teams represent WSU in the Commercial, Design-Build and Heavy-Civil divisions.



Depending upon student interest, WSU Construction Management students have also participated in the Mechanical and Preconstruction Services division. The competition provides an opportunity for further collaboration as the teams often include double-majors (Construction Management + Architecture) or students from architecture and civil engineering. The students and coaches put a considerable amount of effort into the team's success. This effort is clearly exhibited in the fact that at least one team from WSU Construction Management has placed in the competition for the last 9 years.

The results from the 2015 competition along with the team members and coaches are as follows:



#### Commercial Team - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Kyle York (co-captain), Kelsey Gardner (co-captain), Jordan Alcafaras, Matt Paonessa, Michael Ruether, Brad Neudorfer, Kate Wallen (alternate), Chris Jones (alternate), and Jason Peschel (coach).

#### Design-Build Team

Andrew Croskrey (captain), Dane Brooks, Marshall Ruehl, Andy Ochs, Kevin Hall, Erin Schuster, Mark Hensel (alternate), Ashley Vigen (alternate), and David Gunderson (coach).

#### Heavy Civil Team

Kelby McCorkle (captain), Russell Bassett, Casey Kalbrener, Kahlen Sheehan, Ryan Kirkpatrick, Keegan Bennett, Andrew Vavrousek (Alternate), and Andrew Nordi (Alternate) and George Okere (coach)

***DBIA Student Competition.*** This national competition sponsored by the Design-Build Institute of America is in its third year of existence. The competition is intended to allow students to apply design-build best practices to successfully propose on a project.

The competition includes the two-step process of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and a Request for Proposals (RFP). The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) stage is open to everyone, but serves to shortlist the entrants from each region. During the Request for Proposals (RFP) phase the ten regional winners develop their delivery solution to design and construct a particular project. The top teams are invited to present their proposal before an expert panel at the Design-Build Conference and Expo. Teams from WSU competed in the first two years, taking 1<sup>st</sup> place in 2012, and will be participating in this year's competition as well.

***MCA Student Competition.*** The Mechanical Contractors Association of America has sponsored a student competition within their annual convention every year for the last thirteen years. The project focuses on the different plumbing and HVAC aspects of the mechanical sector of commercial and industrial construction. The 2014 project was based on a real-world project that involved the partial retrofit of a food processing plant outside of Chicago, Illinois. WSU students who are involved with the MCA student group have the opportunity to compete in this national competition.

***NWCCC Student Competition.*** The Northwest Construction Consumers Council host a student completion for the Commercial teams in preparation of the ASC Student Competition on an annual basis. The schools invited to participate in this friendly, regional competition include the Construction Management programs from Washington State University, University of Washington, Central Washington and Oregon State University.