



2017 Alumni Survey: Executive Summary

*We reached out to our social work alumni to learn their perceptions of the social work program, where they are now, and how they would like to stay connected. We are grateful to have received responses from **171 alumni**, many of whom graduated in the last 7 years, and one-fifth of whom earned both MSW and BSSW degrees from UNO. We are pleased to provide an executive summary here; a full report is available through Amanda Randall, arandall@unomaha.edu*

What are the alumni's perception of the social work program?

78% would recommend GASSW to others interested in a social work degree.
80% of alumni felt GASSW prepared them for the field.

In their own words...

"The **professors** I had contact with had a genuine interest in seeing me succeed and **cared about me as a person**; not that I was just another student."

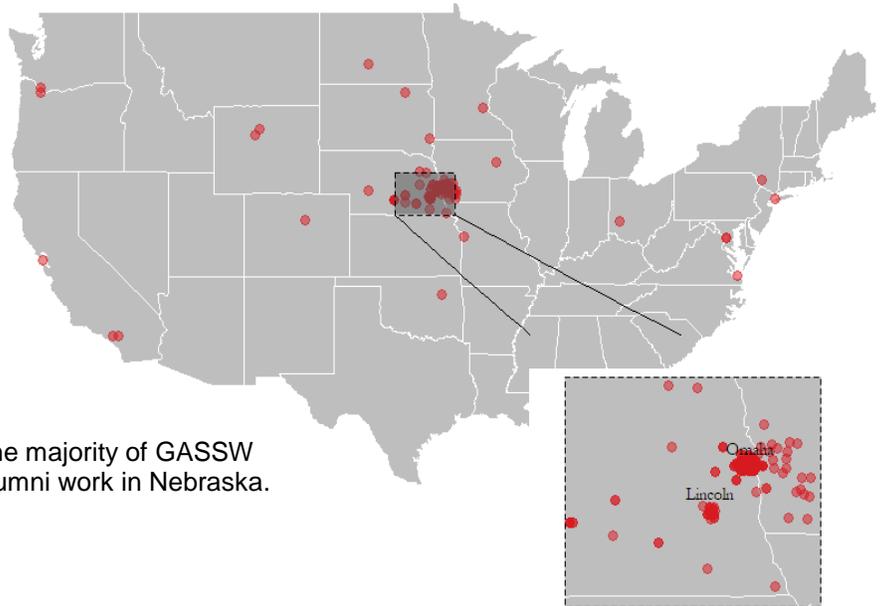
"The **micro and macro education**. It wasn't purely focused on once component of social work"

"The **service learning experiences** were great in **nurturing practical applications** of course material and the practicum office is incredibly dedicated."

"The most valuable component to the social work program for me was the **professors...** [They] offered examples of **real life experiences**, gave relevant homework, and were **understanding** of students' lives outside of class..."

Where are alumni now?

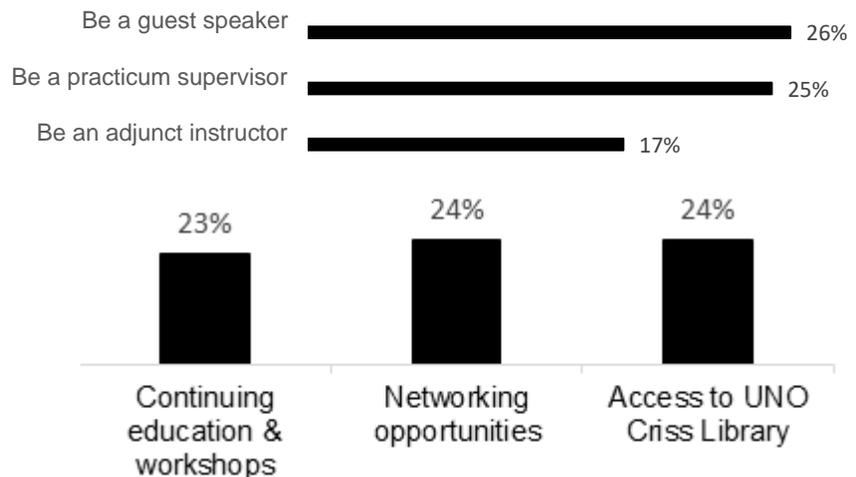
- 86% are employed in the social work or human services field
- 64% are professionally licensed. **94% of clinical graduates indicated some type of licensure**
- 11% of alumni have gone on to earn additional degrees; **44% of those at the doctoral level**
- **Interest in doctoral degrees if offered at GASSW:**
 - 31% noted interest for a DSW
 - 18% noted interest for a PhD



The majority of GASSW alumni work in Nebraska.

How would alumni like to stay connected to the school and UNO?

Nearly half (48%) of respondents indicated they want to stay connected in some way.



Helpful Links

[UNO Grace Abbott School of Social Work](#)

[GASSW's Social Work Program at UNK](#)

[GASSW's Continuing Education Program](#)

[GASSW STEPs program](#)

[GASSW on Facebook](#)

[UNO's Public Affairs Research program \(including a Certificate in Fundraising Management\)](#)

[Access to UNO Criss Library for \\$25/year](#)

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