Sectors of Known First Position for Graduates of the PhD Program in Linguistics; Ten-Year Trend

| | 2006- 2007 | 2007- 2008 | 2008- 2009 | 2009- 2010 | 2010- 2011** | 2011- 2012 | 2012- 2013 | 2013- 2014 | 2014- 2015 | 2015- 2016 | Average per Year |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|
| Graduates | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 3 |
| Percent of Graduates with Placement Info | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | - | 100% | 40% | 93% |
| Grads Average Time to Degree in Years* | 6.50 | 8.00 | 7.25 | 10.50 | 7.15 | 8.13 | 6.25 | - | 6.06 | 6.20 | 7.34 |
| Grads Median Time to Degree in Years* | 6.75 | 7.50 | 7.75 | 10.50 | 7.25 | 8.13 | 6.25 | - | 6.13 | 6.25 | 7.39 |

^{*}Time to degree represents the time in years from the graduates' first admission to TGS until their graduation term.

Possible Placement Categories

| Possible Career Sectors/Industries | Possible Position Types |
|---|-------------------------|
| Academia | Additional Training |
| Advertising, Marketing, & Public Relations | Administration |
| Arts | Consulting |
| Communication & Media | Counseling |
| Computer Science, Information, & Internet Technology | Design |
| Consulting | Development |
| Consumer Products & Retail | Education |
| Energy & Sustainability | Engineering |
| Engineering, Manufacturing, & Transportation | Faculty |
| Farm, Fish, & Food Manufacturing & Distribution | Finance |
| Finance | Information Technology |
| Government & Public Policy | Medical Professional |
| Healthcare, Medical Devices & Services, & Pharmaceuticals | Outreach |
| Law | Postdoc |
| Nonprofit | Practice/Perfomance |
| Publishing | Purchasing |
| Teaching & Educational Institutions | Research |
| | Sales |
| | Student |
| | Teaching |
| | Writing/Creative |
| | Other |

Placement information is captured by the TGS Career Outcomes Database using graduate responses from the Exit Survey and Survey of Earned Doctorates, and updated with the help of faculty and staff after each graduation. The database is intended to capture all first placement information, as well as subsequent placements since graduation. This summary presents the placement information TGS has captured on graduates' first placements, including temporary positions.

In Summer Quarter 2015, TGS began a transition to a new Career Outcomes Database. Position types and sectors may not necessarily align with placement categories from previous years. These new sectors help to more accurately track career placements outside of the traditional academic path.

Category Definitions

Career Sector/Industry

Refers to the primary purpose of the organization (e.g. an engineer working for an energy company would indicate "Energy & Sustainability," not "Engineering").

Refers to the day-to-day work of the graduate (e.g. working in Information Technology at a law firm).

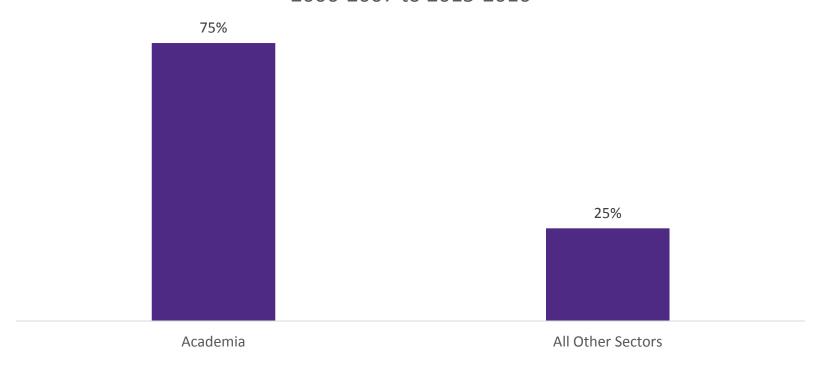
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Position Type

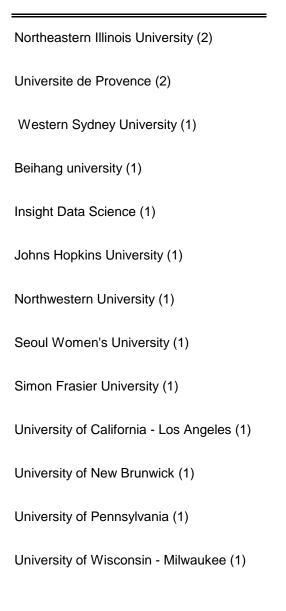
^{**}Quarterly graduation started in Summer 2010. Each year spans Summer to Spring graduation terms.

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Top Employers (by Sector) of Known First Position in Linguistics Ten-Year Trend; Sorted by Frequency, then Alphabetically

Academia



(#) = number of graduates at organization

Source: TGS Career Outcomes Database