Graduate Destination Survey

May 2006 is a very important date in your calendar!

A survey will be sent to all new graduates in Australia seeking their feedback on their educational experience at university.

As part of RMIT’s commitment to improving the student experience, we want to know about your life as a new graduate and how well RMIT has prepared you for this next step.

You can have your say by completing the Graduate Destination Survey, which includes the Course Experience Questionnaire.

What is the Graduate Destination Survey/Course Experience Questionnaire?

This annual survey of recent graduates seeks feedback on what you are doing five months after graduation. The types of questions include:
• Are you working, looking for work or studying?
• If employed, what type of work are you doing and how much are you earning?

The survey also asks you about the quality and usefulness of your program. For instance, the survey asks:
• How encouraging were your lecturers?
• Did your lecturers provide you with useful feedback?

Why should you complete the survey?

RMIT is committed to improving the graduate outcomes for all students. A good example of RMIT’s success is that more RMIT graduates find full-time work within 5 months of graduating compared to the national average.

To monitor such trends we need your valuable feedback. By completing the Graduate Destination Survey/Course Experience Questionnaire you will be helping us to improve the quality of student learning experiences, and therefore to produce graduates who have the skills and knowledge to succeed.

We strongly encourage you to complete the survey because the data will be more meaningful if we have a high response rate. We also want you to be as honest as possible when completing the survey so we can seriously address your issues.

Survey data is used to inform Gradonline, a web-based tool that tells you how easy it is to find a job, how much you are likely to earn and where you might be employed. For more details see www.gradonline.edu.au/gradsonline

Governments, other universities and employers also use this information to better understand what is happening to graduates across Australia. For example, your responses are used to compare the quality of teaching across universities.

When will I receive the survey?

The survey will be mailed to your home address in April 2006. You have the option of completing the survey on paper or online at the web address listed in the survey pack.

How do I find out the results of the survey?

Survey results are published every year in the RMIT Graduate Destination Survey which shows employment outcomes for RMIT graduates. For more details see www2.rmit.edu.au/departments/planning/rcu/reps/GDSReport2004.pdf

To compare the employment outcomes of RMIT graduates with graduates from other universities refer to the Graduate Destination Survey published by the Graduate Careers Council of Australia. For more details see www.gradlink.edu.au

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RMIT looks forward to receiving your feedback – thank you.