

MUrCS Destination of Leaver Survey

A Report on Alumni Survey and Focus Group events

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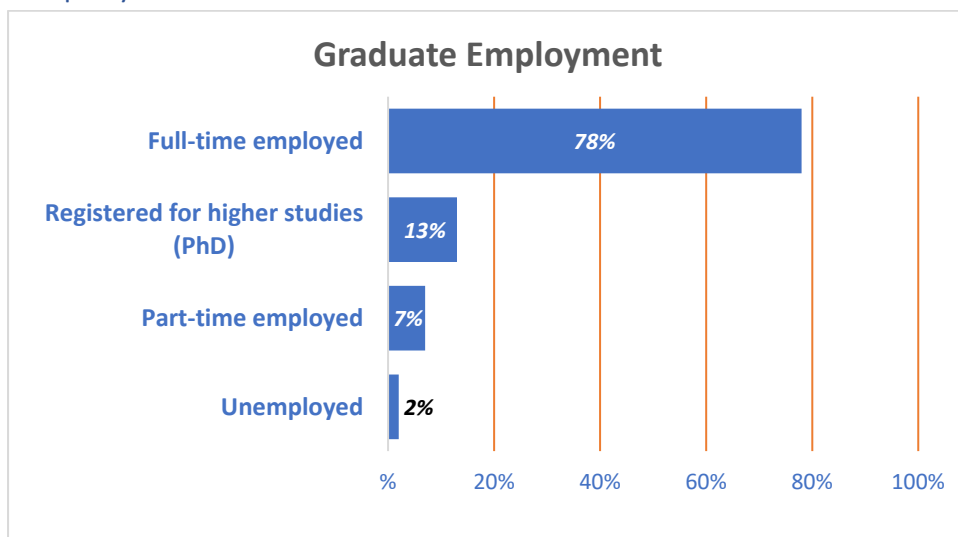
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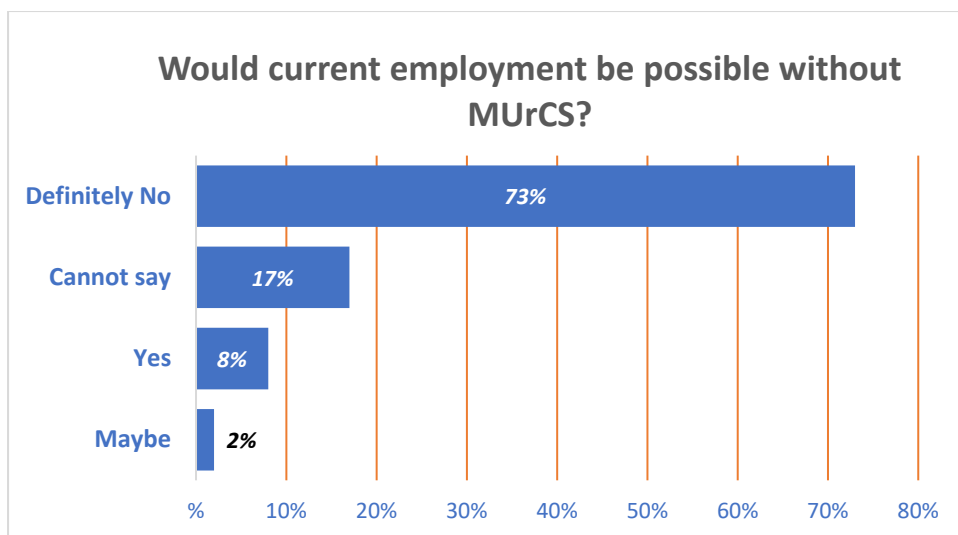
Introduction

MURCS Consortium conducted an Alumni Survey (called 'Destination of Leaver Survey, DLS) in December 2024 to gather information on employment prospects of our graduates, sectors where graduates are employed and also to gauge alumni views on key competencies needed by the labour market. The report below summarises high-level findings in the forms of graphs and charts. The results are based on an online survey of the whole graduate population.

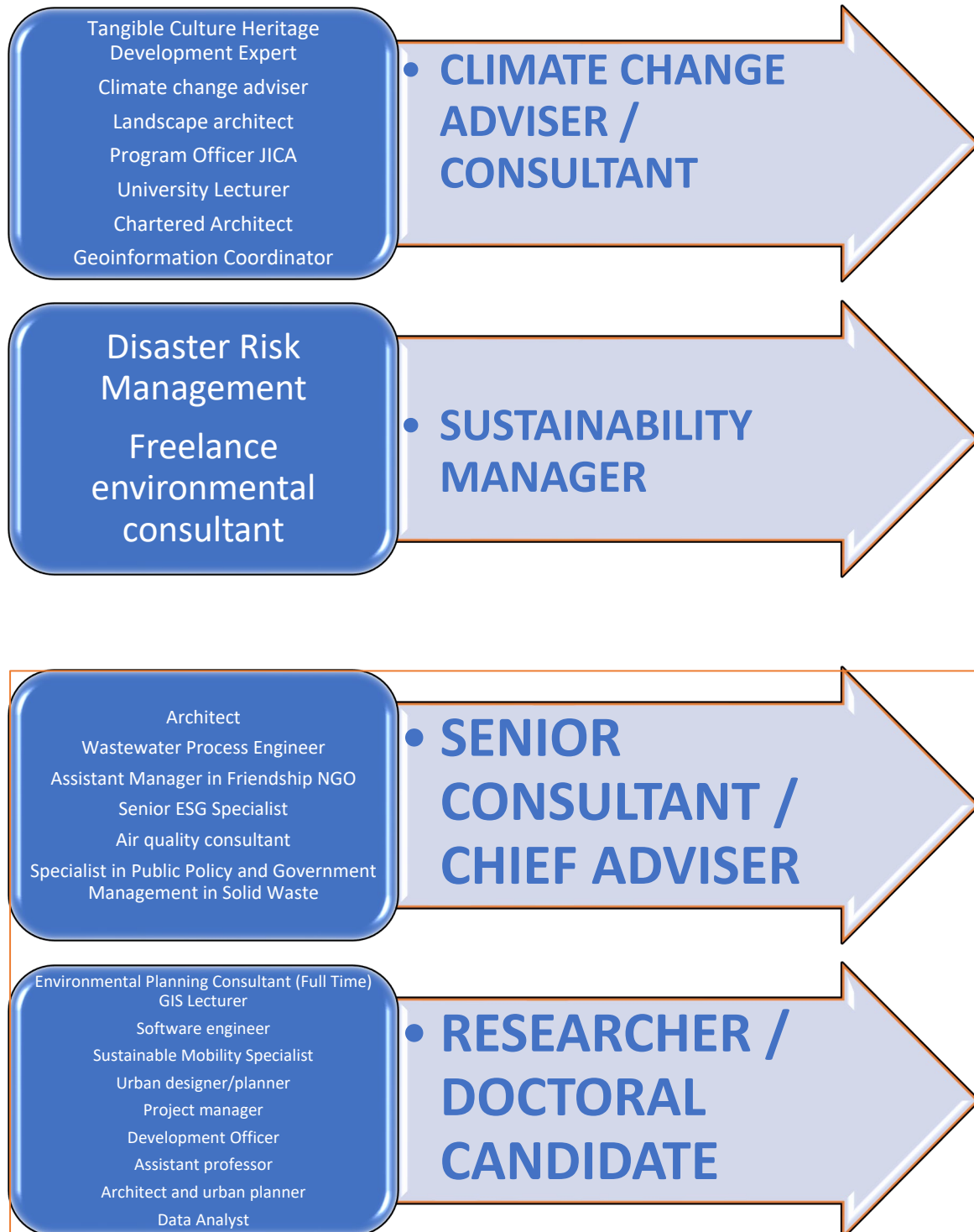
Employment statistics



Usefulness of MURCS



Pre- and Post-MURCS Career Trajectories of Graduates



Useful additional knowledge

Data science

- Big data
- Artificial Intelligence / Machine Learning
- Advanced Data Analytics

Biological attributes

- Biodiversity
- Natural Capital

Sustainability

- Assessment Tools
- EMS
- ESG Tools

Renewable Technologies

- Green / Blue Hydrogen
- CCUS

Carbon Mgmt

- Carbon Accounting Tools
- Decarbonisation approaches
- Embodied Carbon

NbS

- Sponge Cities
- Ecosystem services

Views from Focus Groups, Jan 2026

Summer school & internship

- mandatory internship a good idea together with shared summer school weeks
- should create a **MURCS Alumni network** for example in **LinkedIn** to support internships and keep connection in general, to support the awareness of the labour market needs, also in global level (alumni working in their home countries)
- thesis topics based on clients' needs important – will support employability also; can be a continuum based on internship

Software skills

- GIS, OneClickLCA, IES modelling software for building energy modeling and analysis,
- competencies in LEED and BREEAM are useful and needed in work life especially for those seeking roles in building/construction sustainability,
- WELL certification tool focused on health & wellbeing
- Tools to support circular economy statements (can be demonstrated via OneClick LCA)

Hot Topics

- refurbishment of buildings
- wider understanding of sustainability factors and regulations in EU level and national level, how they can be measured (GHG protocol, CSRD, TCFD, EU taxonomy incl. green bonds, etc)
- Biodiversity Net Gain, Nature Capital, Carbon Credits/Market.
- well-being and health issues, not only in urban planning but also in company management
- climate risk analysis needed – physical climate risks and also transitional climate risks
- social sustainability/social value is also a rising topic – needs specification of criteria

Practical delivery

- visiting lectures from industry, consider also MURCS Alumni network
- short courses – suggestions to students
- Thematic “Joint Conferences” (full day events) with other Erasmus Masters happening in the same cities?
- Project Management for Sustainability” or as a module within an existing course example as part of the PDILS in Semester
- a module or intensive workshop (e.g: hackathon) that helps students to gain perspective on turning policy to practicable action, thinking of actors and implementation.