

A photograph of several graduates in black caps and gowns with yellow tassels. They are smiling and clapping their hands. The background is a bright, out-of-focus green, suggesting an outdoor setting. The text is overlaid on the top left of the image.

Class of 2017

FIRST DESTINATION AND CAREER PROFILE

REPORT

UNIVERSITY OF THE OZARKS

Howell
Tulsa, OK
Bachelor of Science
Health Science

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Ready For the Next Step

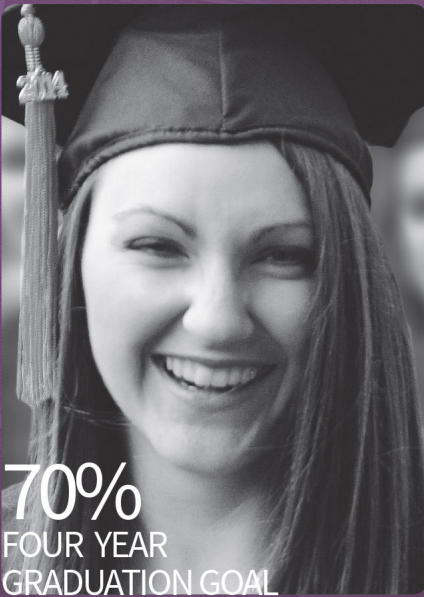
The heart of University of the Ozarks' mission is to prepare students to live life fully. Bolstered with knowledge, expertise and skills gained from an extensive liberal arts curriculum, U of O graduates are thoroughly prepared for their next step with problem-solving, critical thinking and communicative acumen. Facing global competition and a rapidly changing job market, our graduates are equipped with the reasoning, understanding and creative skills for any academic or professional challenge they may choose. The University's personalized and supportive environment ensures that students are prepared and empowered to succeed, whether they want to immediately embark on their professional careers or pursue graduate or professional schools. An organization is only as strong as its members. Today, one of the largest concerns organizations face is where and how to find the right "fit." University of the Ozarks has remarkable success in connecting organizations with highly qualified graduates.



OZARKS | **Education:** PROFESSIONAL AND PREPARED

Ozarks Offers:

1. A global perspective through a vibrant, diverse student body as well as access to a wide range of travel and study-abroad programs throughout the world, empowering students with an invaluable cross-cultural experience.
2. The ability for students to customize their educational experience and to explore a number of academic disciplines and interests through a broad-based liberal arts curriculum.
3. Opportunities to enhance and strengthen leadership and collaborative skills by being an orientation leader, resident assistant, peer mentor, Ozarks Outdoors leader, team captain or serving in a cabinet role in one of the more than 40 clubs and organizations on campus.



90%
PROFESSIONAL
SUCCESS
(professional
employment
or graduate school)
WITHIN
SIX
MONTHS
OF
GRADUATION

THE GOAL "70/80/90"
plan, promise, dream...

OZARKS | *Bridging the Gap*

The Career Services Office presents an annual career fair and numerous other opportunities throughout the academic year to assist students in securing postgraduate positions as well as placement into graduate and professional schools. There are also opportunities inside and outside of the classroom for students to meet and hear from U of O alumni who are successful in a wide variety of careers. In addition, the University hosts business, industry and government leaders in an assortment of events and programs throughout the year.



OZARKS | *By the Numbers*



Student-to-Faculty Ratio

14:1

Enrollment

755

Percentage of Students
Receiving Financial Aid

99%

Average GPA of
Incoming Freshmen

3.4

Institutional Financial Aid
Distributed Annually

\$9.1 Million

Average Class Size

19



Clubs &
Organizations

47

Major Academic
Programs

21

Campus Size
in Acres

45

Countries
Represented

24

Minor Academic
Programs

40

Varsity Sports

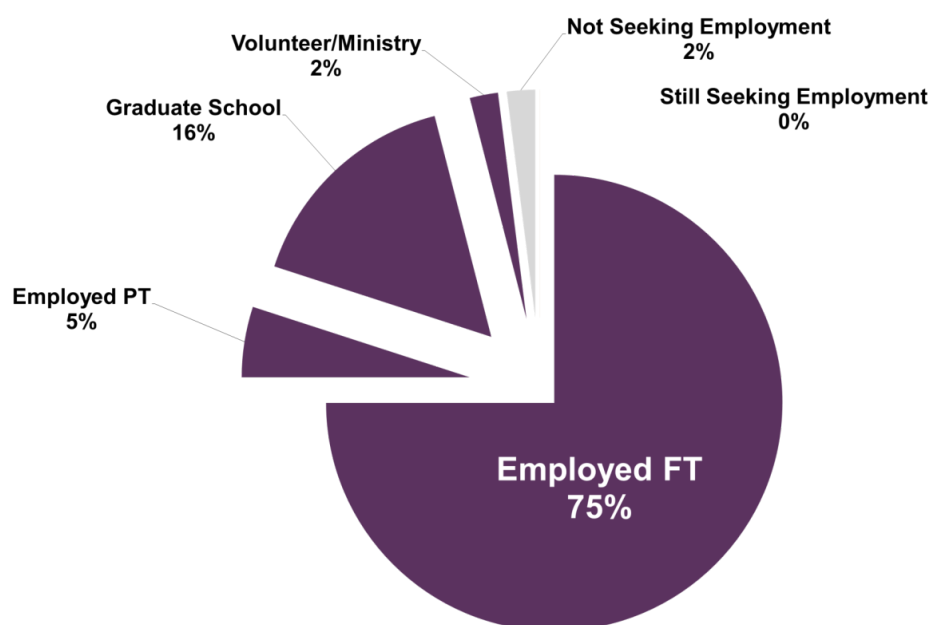
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OZARKS | *Survey Results*

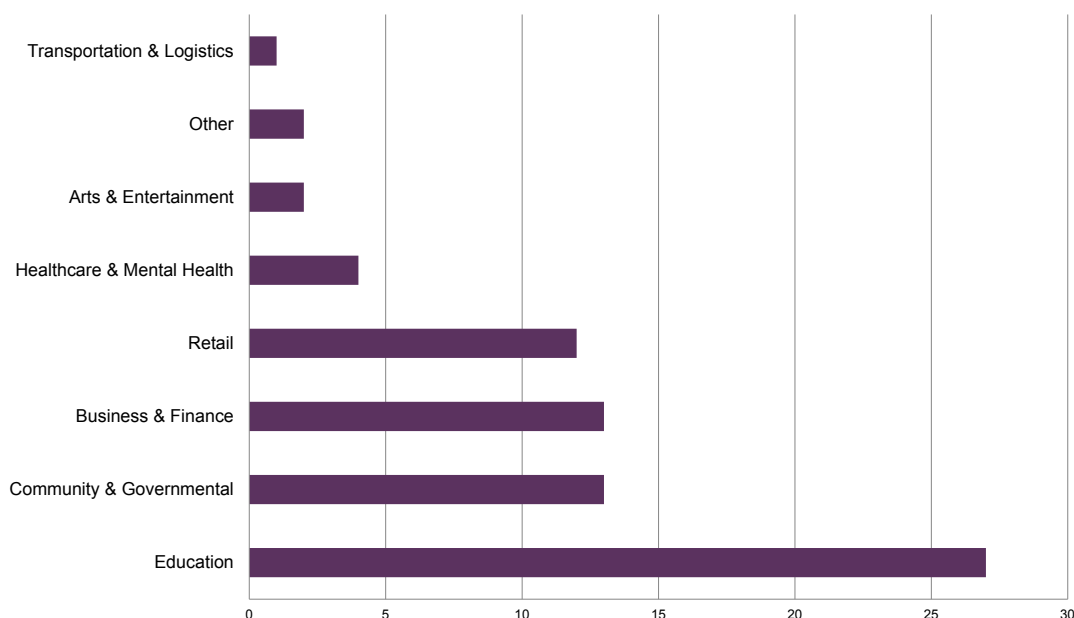
CLASS OF 2017

- 100 graduates completed their degrees from July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017
- Knowledge rate for Class of 2017: 94% (94 out of 100)
- Successful placement rate for Class of 2017: 98% (92 out of 94)

98%
*SUCCESS
RATE*



SECTORS OF EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



University of the Ozarks follows the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) standards and protocols for the collection and dissemination of graduating student initial career outcomes information for undergraduates.

WHERE 2017 GRADUATES ARE WORKING



2017 art major **Amanda Crandell Fields**, shown with her eight children, returned to college to complete her degree and is now an art teacher for the Mulberry/Pleasant View (Ark.) School District.

<u>STATES:</u>	<u>COUNTRIES:</u>
Arkansas (53)	Guatemala (2)
Missouri (7)	Nicaragua (2)
Texas (6)	El Salvador (2)
Oklahoma (3)	Panama (2)
Florida (3)	France (1)
Kansas (3)	Mexico (1)
California (2)	Grenada (1)
North Carolina (1)	China (1)
Colorado (1)	Honduras (1)

WHERE 2017 GRADUATES ATTEND GRADUATE SCHOOL

- Arkansas (7)
- Missouri (4)
- California (1)
- Colorado (1)
- Florida (1)
- Grenada (1)
- Kansas (1)



2017 accounting major **Luke Vera** is pursuing a graduate degree in accounting at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

OZARKS | *Career Profiles*

TREVOR LISTER '17

TREVOR LISTER, a Spanish and health science major, is pursuing a master's degree in Spanish literature at the University of Missouri. He is also serving as a graduate instructor at the university, teaching undergraduate classes. After obtaining his master's degree, Lister plans to continue his education in Brazil, teaching English and learning Portuguese.



AMY WALLACE '17

AMY WALLACE, an English major from Malvern, Arkansas, secured a position in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, soon after graduating from Ozarks. Wallace is the librarian and reading resource teacher for Bethany Christian School. She is also pursuing a master's degree in library and information science from San Jose State University.

MEGHAN MANSUR '17

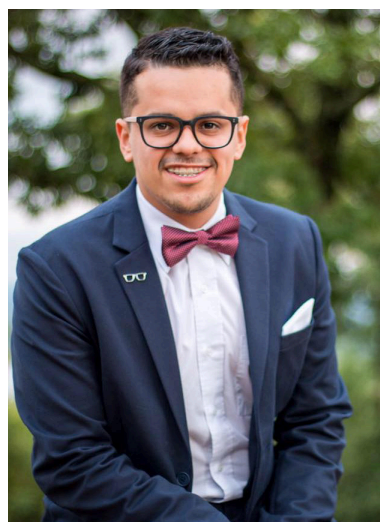
MEGHAN MANSUR, a Spanish major, is working as an English teacher with Sea Dragon Education at the Classical English reading Center in Shenzhen, China. She works with children ages 8-11 on English comprehension. She credits her Ozarks travel abroad experiences as well as her professors for preparing her to work in a foreign country.



OZARKS | *Career Profiles*

JOSH FERRELL '17

Physical education major **JOSH FERRELL** is serving as an assistant basketball coach and physical education teacher at Pea Ridge High School in Northwest Arkansas. A four-year starter on the men's basketball team while at Ozarks, Ferrell credits Ozarks for helping him prepare for a career in coaching and education.



DANIEL VALENCIA '17

DANIEL VALENCIA, a marketing and strategic communication major, is the social media assistant for the United States Agency for International Development in El Salvador. His job consists of assisting the Development and Outreach team with activities related to public relations, social media, video, photography and event management.

KELLEY CRISS '17

KELLEY CRISS, a Chemistry major, is working in Harrisonville, Missouri, as a quality chemist at Church and Dwight Company, Inc., a manufacturer of household products. Criss' job consists of testing the chemistry of liquids and powder laundry detergents to ensure that each batch meets the industry specifications.



OZARKS | *First Destinations*

First destination job and graduate school placement status for the Class of 2017, categorized by academic major.

Accounting

W&W-AFCO Steel, Little Rock, AR

Staff Accountant

Shangri-La Resort, Mount Ida, AR

Waitress

San Andres Xecul Municipality, Guatemala

Finance Director

University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR

MBA Graduate Student

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

Graduate Student in Accounting

Art

Mulberry/Pleasant View School District, Mulberry, AR

Art Teacher

Biology

Cantrell Drug Company, Little Rock, AR

Team Member

Saint George University, Grenada

Veterinarian Student

Coastal Oaks Church, Rockport, TX

Daycare Worker

North Arkansas Regional Medical Center, Harrison, AR

Student Lab Technician

U of A Fruit Research Station, Clarksville, AR

Research Field Technician

UMKC School of Pharmacy, Kansas City, MO

Doctor of Pharmacy Student

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Biochemistry Ph.D. Student

Panaderia California, Panama

General Administrator

Washington Regional Medical Center, Fayetteville, AR

Surgical Unit Secretary

Business Administration

Stanley Security, Fishers, IN

Sales Representative

Tyler Auto Finance, Tyler, TX

Sales Representative

Seline Inc., Panama City, Panama

Sales Representative

Arvest Bank, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR

Credit Analyst and Graduate Student

Centennial Bank, Conway, AR

Bank Representative

Parker County Juvenile Probation, Aledo, TX

Community Service Supervisor

Tradesman International, Houston, TX

Account Manager



2017 economics and international business major **Andrea Leiva** is working as a business strategist for White Shark Media in Managua, Nicaragua.

Business Management

Everett Infiniti, Benton, AR

Sales Consultant

PARPRO Corp., Tijuana, Mexico

Production Planner

Foster Global Law Firm, El Salvador

Legal Assistant

Chemistry

Church & Dwight Company, Inc., Harrisonville, MO

Quality Chemist

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Biochemistry Ph.D. Student

Communications

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Graduate Student in Broadcast Journalism

QRP Enterprises, Fayetteville, AR

Sales Representative

Enterprise Car Rentals, Muskogee, OK

Assistant Manager

Paris School of Business, Paris, AR

Student Coordinator

GameStop, Clarksville, AR

Sales Associate

Centennial Bank, Little Rock, AR

Bank Representative

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Strategic Communications Associate

Hibbett Sporting Goods, Clarksville, AR

Sales Associate

Computer Science

Clarksville Aquatic Center, Clarksville, AR

Administrator

Early Childhood Education

Centro Galo, Guatemala

Therapist for Students with Learning Differences

Rogers Public Schools, Rogers, AR

Third-grade Teacher

Lamar School District, Lamar, AR

Fourth-grade Teacher

Victory Christian School, Tulsa, OK

Third-grade Teacher

Cadence Academy Preschool, Rogers, AR

Teacher

Economics

White Shark Media, Mangua, Nicaragua

Business Strategist

English

Forrester-Davis Development Center, Clarksville, AR

Habilitation Technician

Western Arkansas Youth Shelter, Cecil, AR

Childcare Worker

Bethany Christian School, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Librarian and Reading Resource Teacher

Environmental Studies

Arkansas Garden Corp., Clarksville, AR

Service Member

The Culinary Institute of America, St. Helena, CA

Culinary Student

Bradford Woods at Indiana University, Martinsville, IN

Outdoors Instructor

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OZARKS | *First Destinations*

General Studies

Pinnacle Arborish Supply, Fort Smith, AR

Manager

Camp Cross Arrows Girl Scouts, Floral, AR

Unit Leader

Little Rock School District, Little Rock, AR

Substitute Teacher

SubTeach USA, Paragould, AR

Substitute Teacher

Health Science

Forrester-Davis Development Center, Clarksville, AR

Habitation Technician

St. Francis Health System, Tulsa, OK

EEG Technician

Baptist Health College, Little Rock, AR

Nursing Student

University of the Ozarks, Clarksville, AR

Assistant Basketball Coach

Arkansas Dept. of Health, Little Rock, AR

Health Educator

Bank of the Ozarks, Fort Smith, AR

Bank Representative

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Graduate Student in Spanish

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

Graduate Student in Athletic Training

University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR

Graduate Student in Physical Therapy

Parker Cadillac, Little Rock, AR

Sales Associate

Arkansas Mill Supply, Fort Smith, AR

Sales Representative

Family Business Food Industry, Fayetteville, AR

Team Member

International Business

Mars, Inc., Fort Smith, AR

Lead Packaging Department

Marketing

U.S. Dept. for International Development, El Salvador

Social Media Assistant

Everett Infiniti, Benton, AR

Sales Consultant

PARPRO Corp., Tijuana, Mexico

Product Planner

Seline Inc., Panama City, Panama

Sales Representative

Mathematics

eStem Public Charter Schools, Little Rock, AR

Statistics Teacher

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Graduate Student in Statistics and Teaching Assistant

Walmart, Bentonville, AR

E-commerce Research Analyst

Arvest Bank, Hot Springs, AR

Bank Representative

Music

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Strategic Communications Associate

Philosophy

Forrester-Davis Development Center, Clarksville, AR

Habilitation Technician

Physical Education

Palestine-Wheatley School District, Palestine, AR

Teacher and Head Baseball and Golf Coach

Two Rivers High School, Ola, AR

Teacher and Coach

CLASS OF 2017 BY MAJOR

Pea Ridge High School, Pea Ridge, AR

Teacher and Assistant Basketball Coach

Clarksville High School, Clarksville, AR

Health Teacher and Soccer and Tennis Coach

Clarksville Junior High School, Clarksville, AR

Teacher

Russellville Middle School, Russellville, AR

Physical Education Teacher

Political Science

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Graduate Student in Broadcast Journalism

Tulsa Public Schools, Tulsa, OK

Social Studies Teacher

Denver Seminary, Littleton, CO

Graduate Student

Concentrix, Managua, Nicaragua

Human Resources Business Partner

Johnson Service Corps, Chapel Hill, NC

Corps Member

Crumbs and Whiskers, Los Angeles, CA

Assistant Store Leader

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR

Law School Student

Willsub, Little Rock, AR

Substitute Teacher

Psychology

Centro Galo, Guatemala

Therapist for Students with Learning Differences

Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Graduate Assistant for Razor's Edge Leadership

Rogers Public Schools, Rogers, AR

Special Education Instructional Assistant

Western Arkansas Youth Shelter, Cecil, AR

Childcare Worker

Area Agency on Aging, Fort Smith, AR

Attendant

Radio/Television/Video (RTV)

Costco, Kansas City, KS

Team Member

HanesBrands, Inc., Clarksville, AR

Auditor

Sociology

Department of Human Services, Bentonville, AR

Program Assistant

Spanish

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

Graduate Student in Spanish and Teaching Assistant

Sea Dragon Education, Shenzhen, China

English-as-Second-Language Instructor

Theatre

Walt Disney World, Orlando, FL

Stage Technician



2017 biology major **Darious Parrish** is pursuing a Doctor of Pharmacy degree at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.



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