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# Graduation Survey 2016

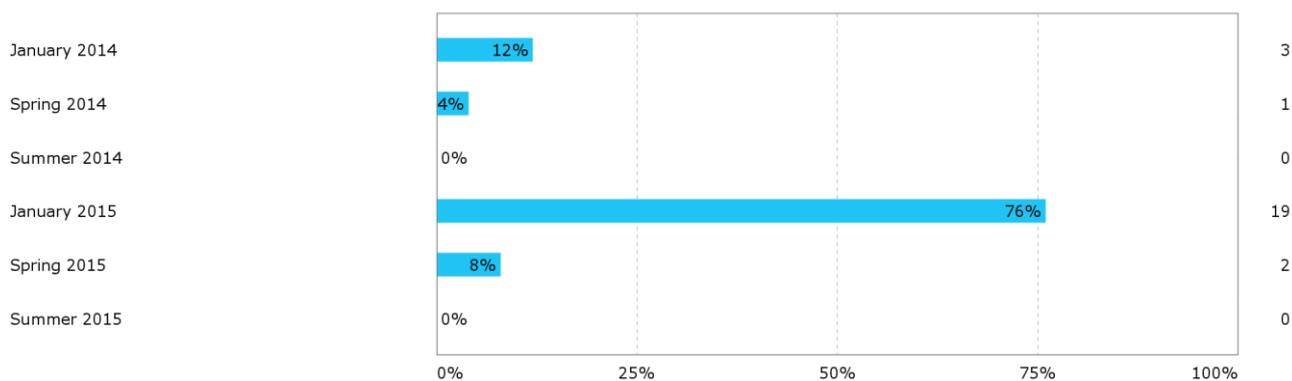
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## 1. About the Graduation Survey 2016

The Graduation Survey was carried out in the spring/summer 2016. The target group was graduates, who graduated in either 2014 or 2015. All in all there were 49 potential respondents. 25 responded, which makes a response rate of 51 %

### Background information:

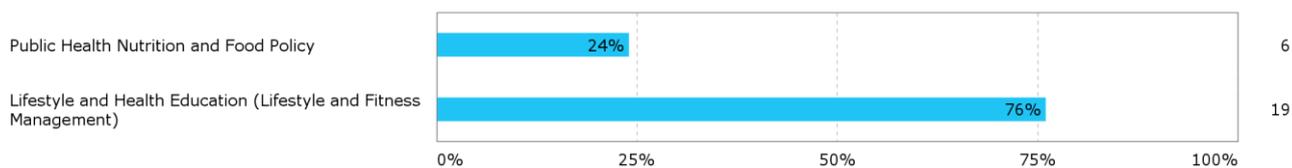
#### When did you graduate?



What is your age?:



#### Which specialization did you graduate?

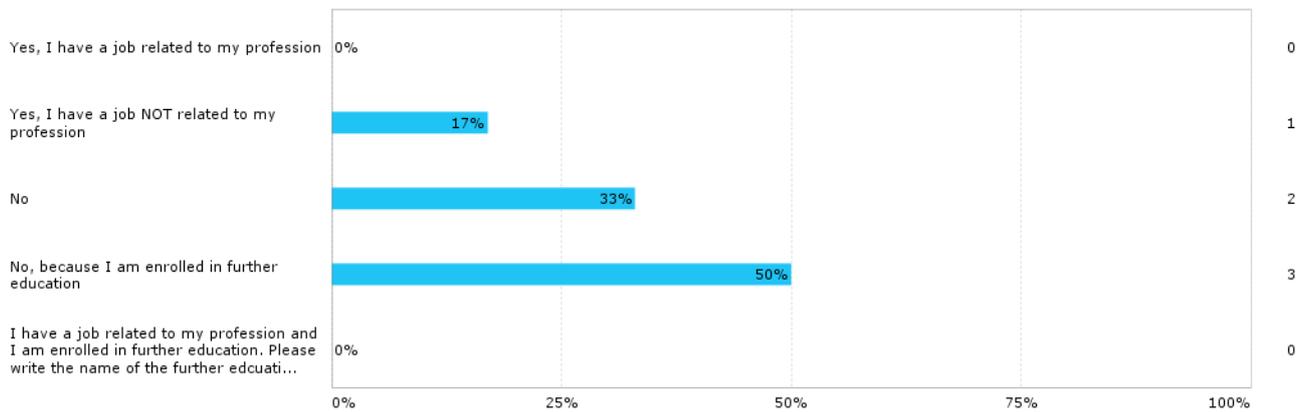


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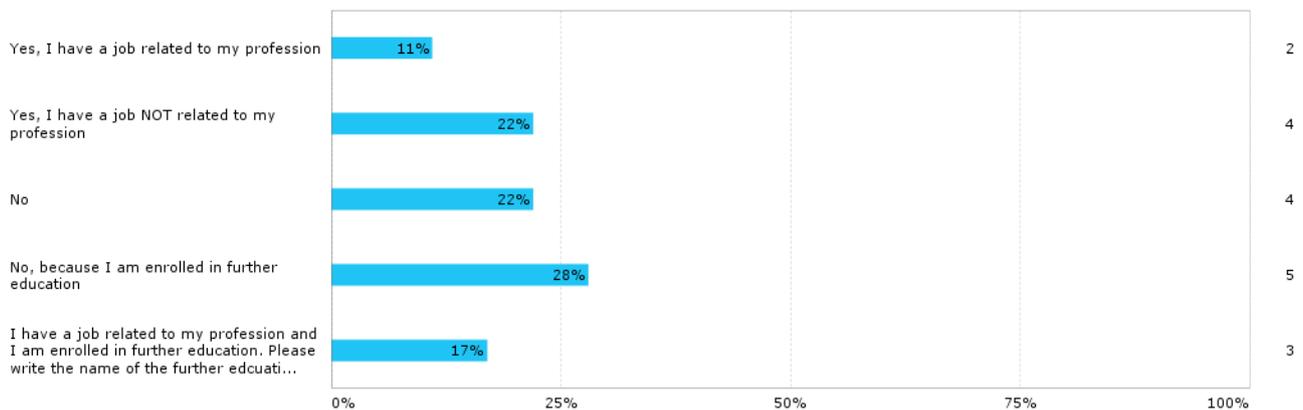
## 2. Employment situation

### Do you currently have a job?

Response, PH:



## Response, LH:



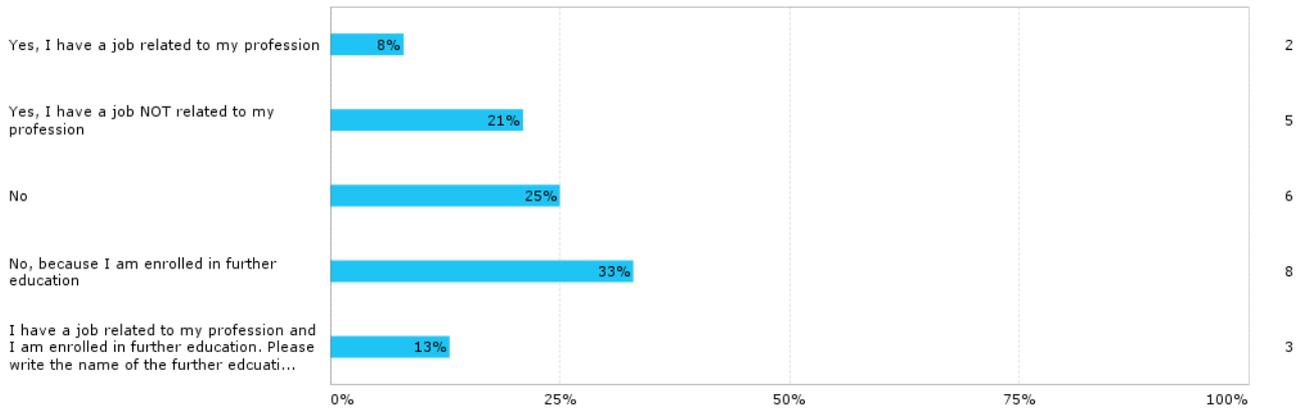
The respondents, who both have a job related to their profession and are enrolled in further education, pursue the following further education:

- Master's specializing in Global Health
- It, læring og organisatorisk omstilling
- Masters in Integrated Food Studies at AAU

4 respondents do not have a job related to their profession. Their reasons are as follows:

- Botilbud for multihandicappede, pga. større interesse for direkte sundhedspleje og omsorg
- Because I moved to Australia where I'm lucky enough to have the opportunity to follow another passion of mine - training horses.
- I am employed full time as an office assistant, as I have not been able to find a job relevant to my profession.  
I have however been employed as 4H Konsulent in the summer of 2015 and this summer 2016, on a temporary employment in relation to Madskoler. As of September 2016 I will be studying a master (kandidat) in Public Health at SDU.
- Customer service for Google, there were no opportunities in a nutrition related role at that time, hard to be employed as a nutritionist with this degree as it does not qualify to work as a clinic dietitian

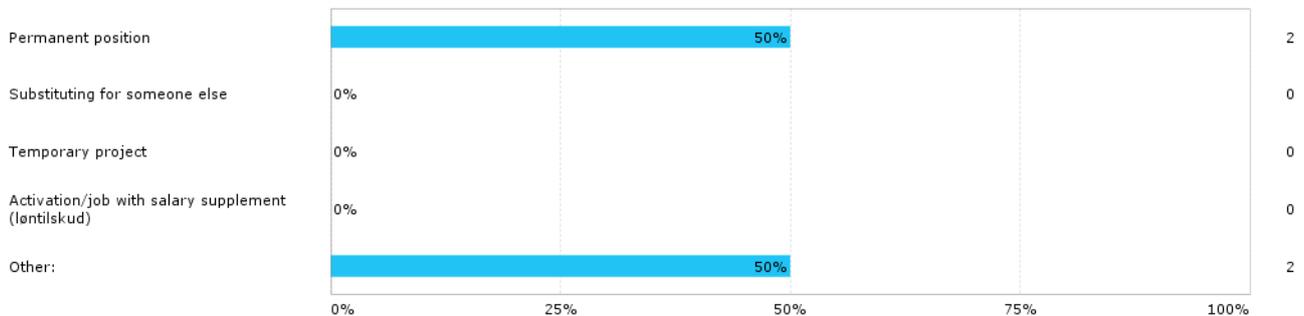
### Response, both specializations:



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## 3. Job title, job functions and working area

### What type(s) of jobdescription(s) are you employed to undertake?



#### Other:

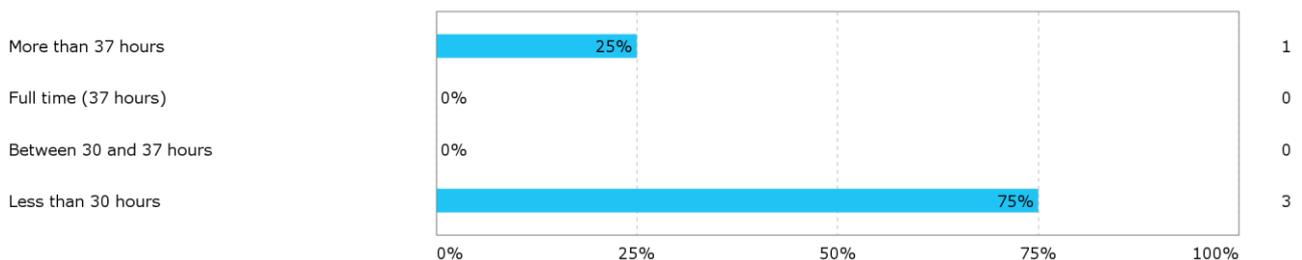
- Part time work with alternating hours
  - Permanent but part-time position alongside with studies
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## Where are you employed at the moment?

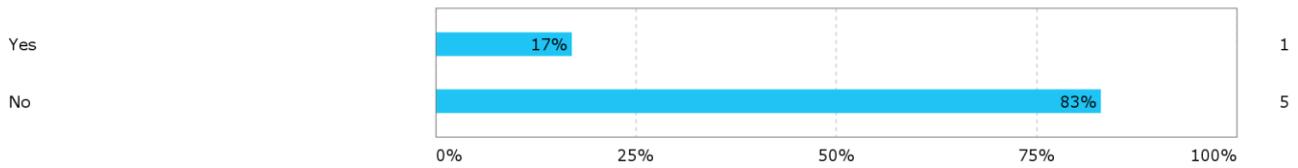
The table gathers workplace, job description and job title.

Workplace	Job title	Job description
Shaw Academy Ltd, Dublin	Online german nutrition educator	Teach an online nutrition foundation course, student support, course/content development, soft sales
East-Tallinn Central Hospital	dietitian and health counsellor	
Self-employed	Self-employed nutritionist and health counsellor	
Fysio DK	Teacher, nutrition and exercise counsellor	Teaching practical cooking classes and in general Health, guidance in nutrition and exercise.
Sundhedspartnerdk	Healthchecker	Healthchecks: checking bloodpressure, cholesterol, blood sugar, weight on Tanita scale and performing motivational interviews on the basis on the findings.
School	Teacher in Masterchef Cooking class	Create recipes - Buy groceries - Instruct, help, advice kids while they cook. - Eating together with kids and help them clean up. - Participate in teacher conferences at the school.

## How many hours do you work per week in total?



## Have you had a job since you graduated?

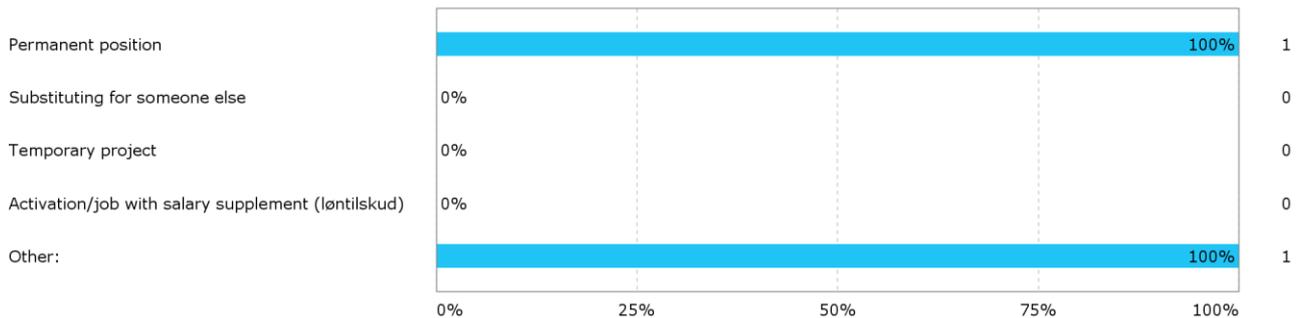


## Yes:

### Where were you employed?

Workplace	Job title	Job description
Health Food Shop in DK	-	-
Sundhedsdoktor	Nutritionist	Doing consultations
Aarhus University	-	Doing workshops
Health Food Shop i Australia	-	Advising customers, selling supplements

## In what type of position were you employed?



## Other:

- Casual position

## Why are you no longer employed?

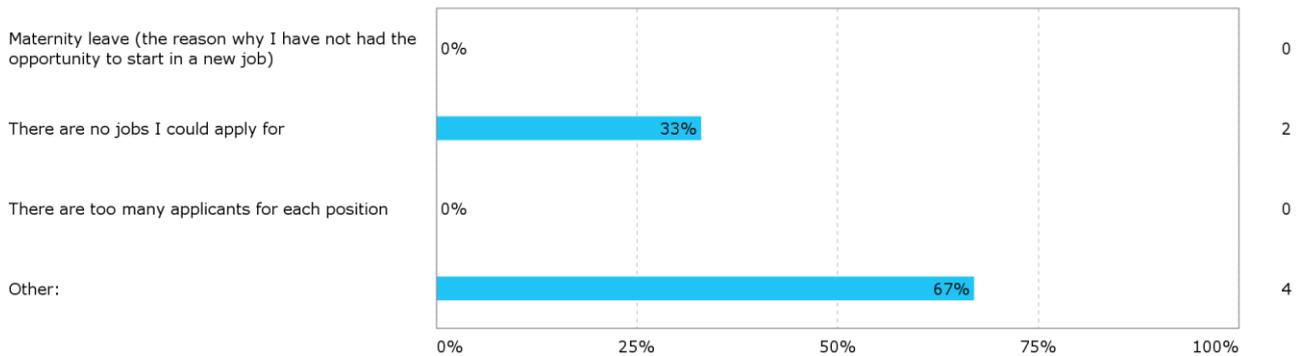
- I'm temporarily moving back to Denmark after living in Australia for a year (currently on a holiday in between jobs).

## How many positions have you applied for so far?

### Ca.:

- 10
- 10
- 65
- None yet
- 10
- 150

## What is the reason for your unemployment?



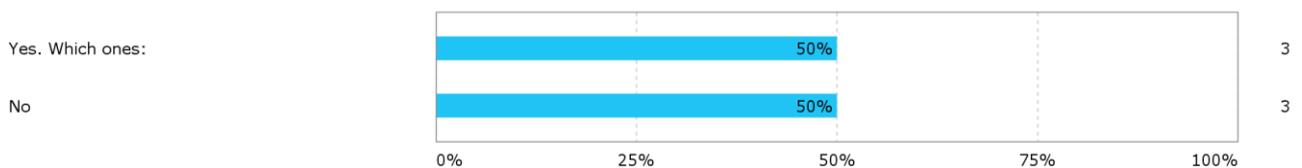
### **Other:**

- I study
- Lack of job experience
- Limited experience
- Moving country

## What type of position do you primarily apply for?

- Health advocacy/administration
- project officer/field officer-Nutrition and food security and public health and nutrition officer positions
- I don't know yet as I have not started looking.
- Health Educator  
Community Health Worker  
Kitchen assistant  
Health Promotion  
Nutrition Specialist

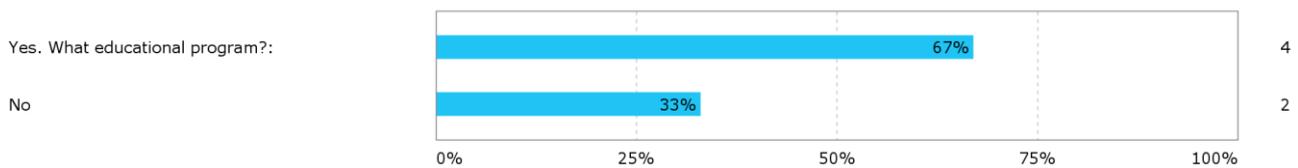
## Are you considering applying for positions outside your area of expertise?



### **Yes. Which ones:**

- Within the equine industry
- Any other

## Are you considering signing up for further education?



### Yes. Which one:

- Health management and economics
- MSc in Public Health
- Master of Health Science
- Master of Public health/Nutrition/Occupational health etc.

## 4. Graduates doing further education

Master Degree	Specialization
Integrated Food Studies, AAU	PH
Socialrådgiveruddannelsen, VIA	LH
Culture, Communication and Globalization, AAU	LH
Integrated Food Studies, AAU	PH
Nursing, VIA	LH
Food Innovation and Health, KU	LH
Integrates Food Studies, AAU	PH

### Why have you chosen to pursue further education?

- More possibilities for jobs within our field.
- The job possibilities with my Global Nutrition and Health bachelor was not very big, and it made me insecure.
- Because I wasn't qualified for the jobs I wanted with just my bachelor.
- to have better opportunity in finding a job
- Because there was no job to get with my currently Bachelor degree, or it is very difficult to get a job that is related to the bachelor
- I was willing to study further in my interested field, to get better jobs proposals, for a good future
- Ny funden Interesse for fødevare og fødevare produktion.  
Jeg blev klar over på GNH at jeg ikke havde lyst til at arbejde med kostvejledning og mennesker som uddannelsen lægger op til, men vil hellere bruge min sundhedsviden indirekte ved at være med i produktionen af bedre og sundere fødevarer!

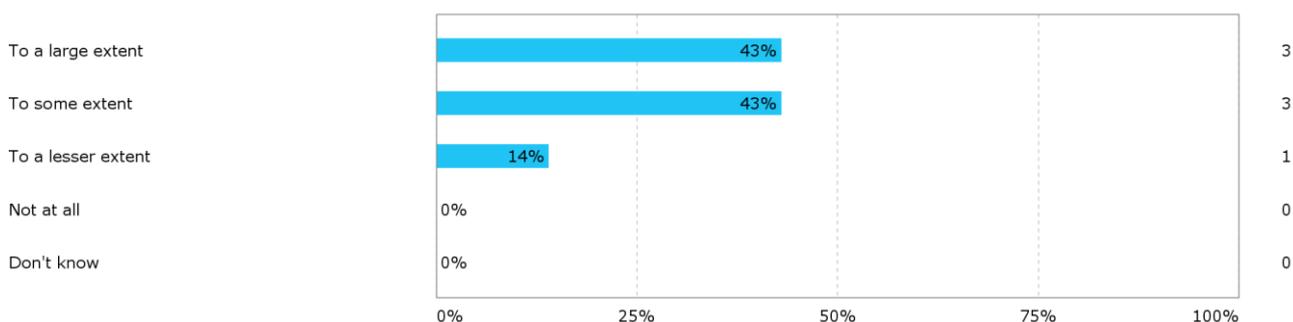
## What jobs would you like to get by means of further education?

- I would like to work as a social worker. I hope I will be able to use some of the knowledge that I have from the bachelor in Global Nutrition and Health, in a job as a social worker.
  - Working with market communication and relations in the food industry.
  - Food events and healthy food promotions
  - My plan is to work as a nurse but with a greater knowledge regarding nutrition, health and lifestyle
  - Food industry, kommune
  - Projektmedarbejder/ projektleder i en innovations afdeling ved en fødevarevirksomhed.
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## 5. The graduate's competences

The following questions are answered by respondents who pursue further education or have a job

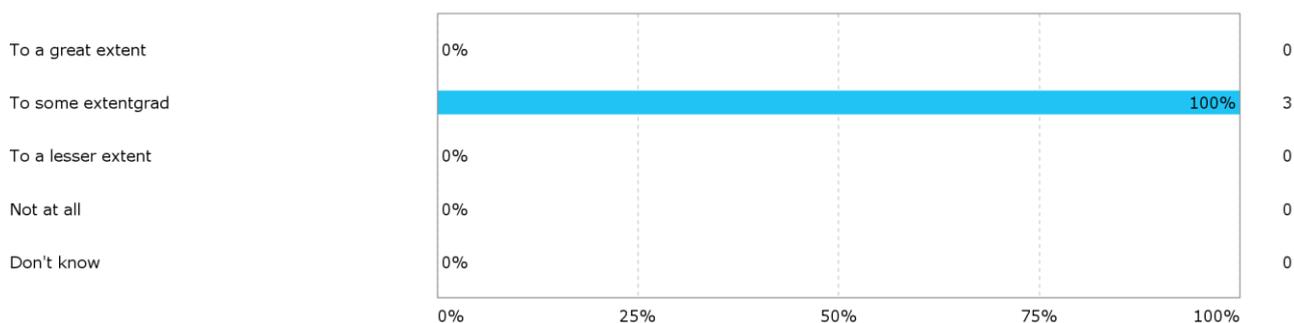
### To what extent do you think that a BA in global nutrition and health has given you adequate competences to complete your further education?



Please elaborate:

- I have been given merit for two modules based on my GNH education.
- I'm using many information from my BA in completing projects in my master
- I missed that the education went more into depth with nutrition and training
- Jeg har en god baggrund fra min BA men der er enkelte kompetencer jeg ikke har fra den. Feks. Fødevarekemi og fødevarevidenskab.

### To what extent do you assess that your professional competences with a BA in global nutrition and health are relevant in the job functions you perform?



**Please give examples of situations in your professional life where you have felt particularly well qualified:**

- Giving sound nutrition information To students, being able to educate others with the knowledge i acquired in my studies
- When creating recipes that are fun for the young kids to make but with a healthy twist - such as chocolate cake with squash and making food from the base.

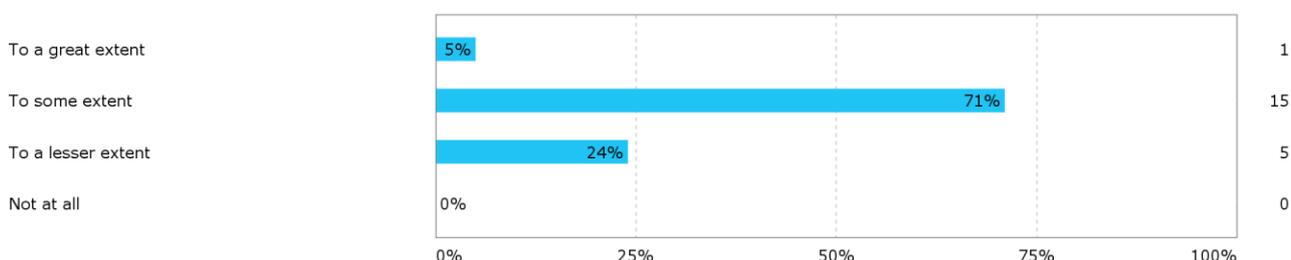
**Please give examples of areas in which you have not felt particularly well qualified:**

- Skills for the Office environment which is more than often a type of job you need to do nowadays, training people as the exercise modules weren't in depth enough
- Certain situations when teaching but still acknowledging that I did not study a degree of teaching.

In regards to the new education it has been very helpful to have tried project management before and having tried to do presentations a lot as this is used much on the new education.

**6. The graduate’s satisfaction with the Programme**

**To what extent were you in general satisfied with the educational programme "BA Degree in Global Nutrition and Health"?**



**Please elaborate:**

- I think the knowledge gained from the education programme could have been more in-depth. I have a feeling, that I have a small amount of knowledge on many areas, but I could have wished for more in-depth knowledge.  
Also, I think that the amount of humanistic courses could have been less, in favour of more nutrition.
- I very often felt that the academic level was very low compared to what my roomie and friends at the university were dealing with
- Great practical skills in the programme but not enough scientific nutrition modules, some classes weren't all that relevant to a real working environment, very difficult to find a position in a nutrition related job
- Not all courses were relevant enough for further studies and the general educational programme has a limited relevance for further jobs
- there is not many jobs when you are done. and it is difficult to know what we are qualified to do exactly
- GNH provides a broad array of relevant areas within the field, however, it lacks specialisation within a key area
- The programme in general prepares you to have the confidence to take up and excel in any job position in the specified field- you only have to be given the chance. It also equips you in research studies and gives the edge to pursue further studies.
- Nogle gange kunne jeg godt mangle nogle flere "hardcore" fag. Mere nutrition physiology, biokemi, food chemistry... Generelt en bredere viden omkring og kendskab til mad og fødevarer da det er en meget vigtig del af sundhed!
- I think the subject could have been of a higher quality demanding more of the students.
- I think the education is interesting.
- Generally, I think the idea of the programme and the set-up was good, but I feel like the criteria/assessments at exams wasn't strict enough for a high quality education.
- Too much communication and philosophy, not enough natural science
- Learned a lot of relevant information and some skills for the nutrition related area however the degree itself does not seem to be very employable
- - I was very satisfied with the amount of psychology lessons that we received.  
- I was missing more basic nutrition.