



Research Roundup & Counter-Narratives: International Students at UCLA

# Post-Grad Plans & Career Prep

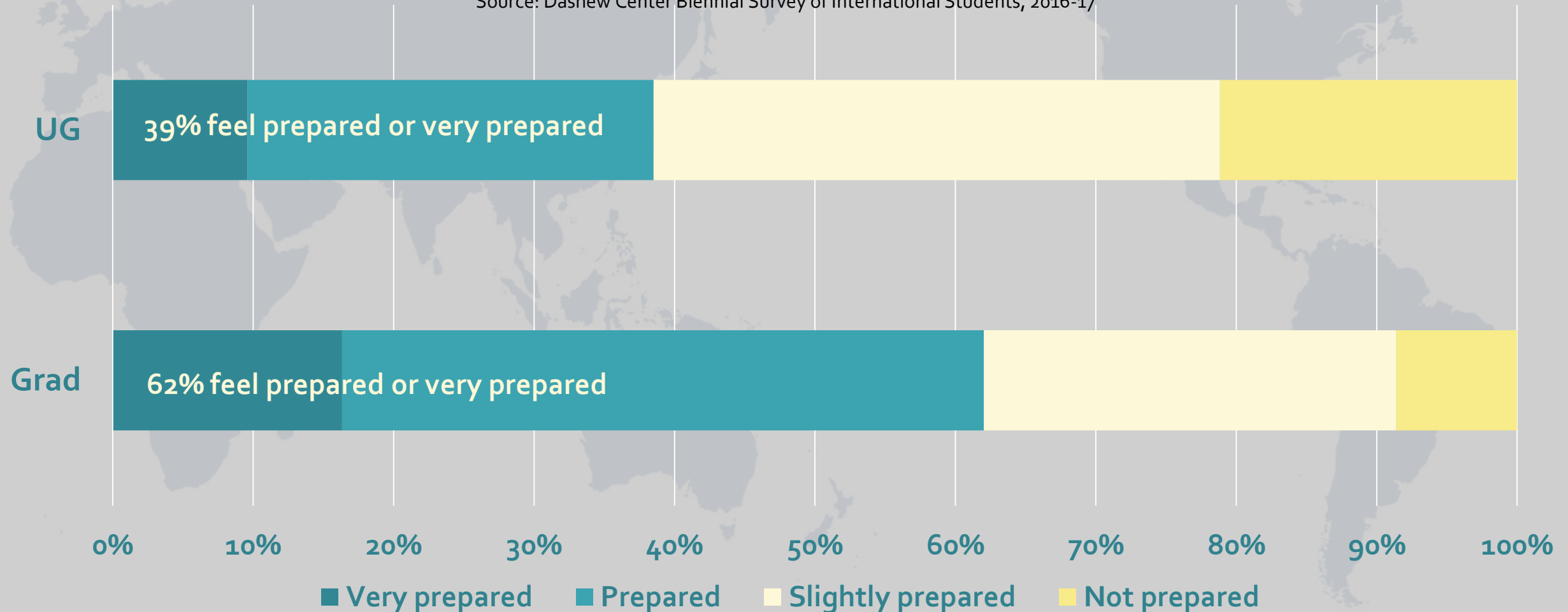
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# How Prepared Do You Feel to Manage Your Professional Path?

## UGn=657, Gn=698

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**ALL UG**

n= 657

39% feel prepared or very prepared

**Fresh**

n= 182

30%

**Soph**

n= 96

33%

**Junior**

n= 187

34%

**Senior**

n= 161

55%

**Transfer**

n= 131

34%

0%

10%

20%

30%

40%

50%

60%

70%

80%

90%

100%

■ Very prepared

■ Prepared

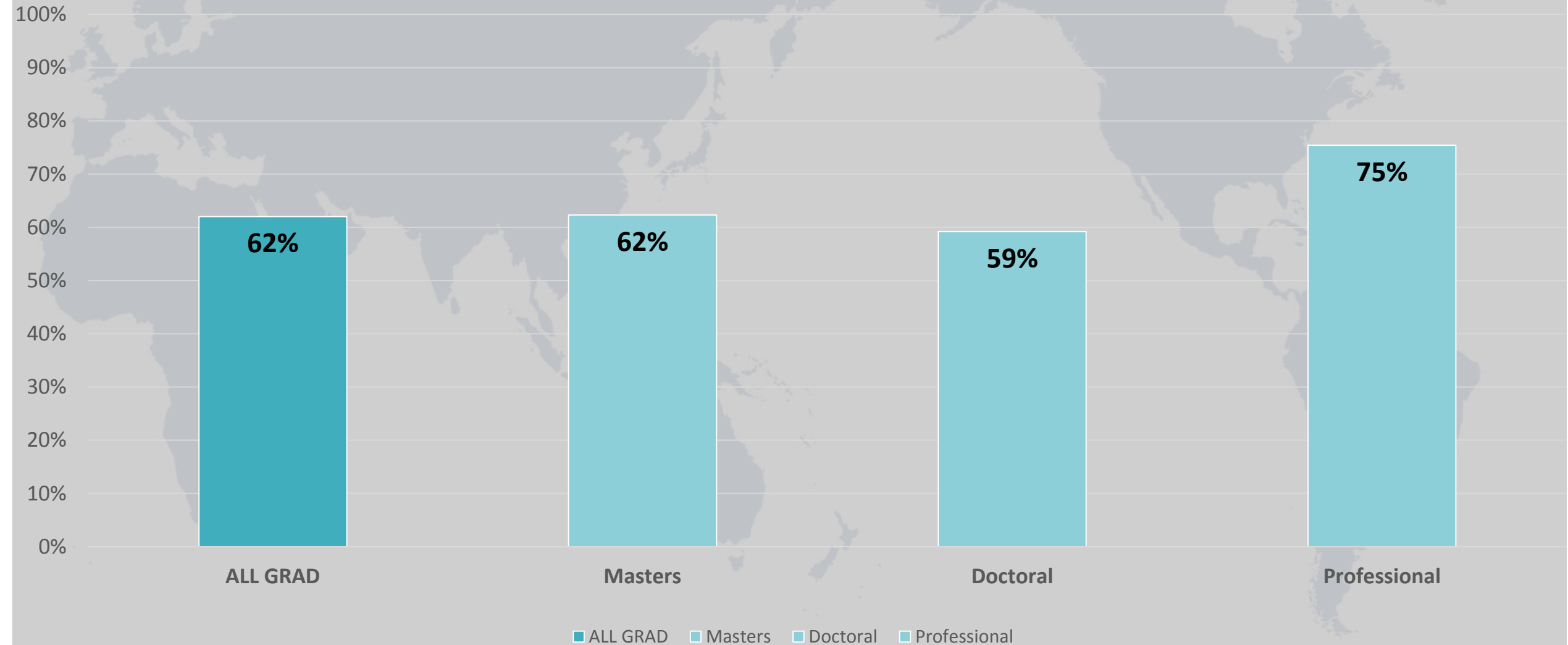
■ Slightly prepared

■ Not prepared

# How Prepared Do You Feel to Manage Professional Path

## Very prepared + prepared, n=698

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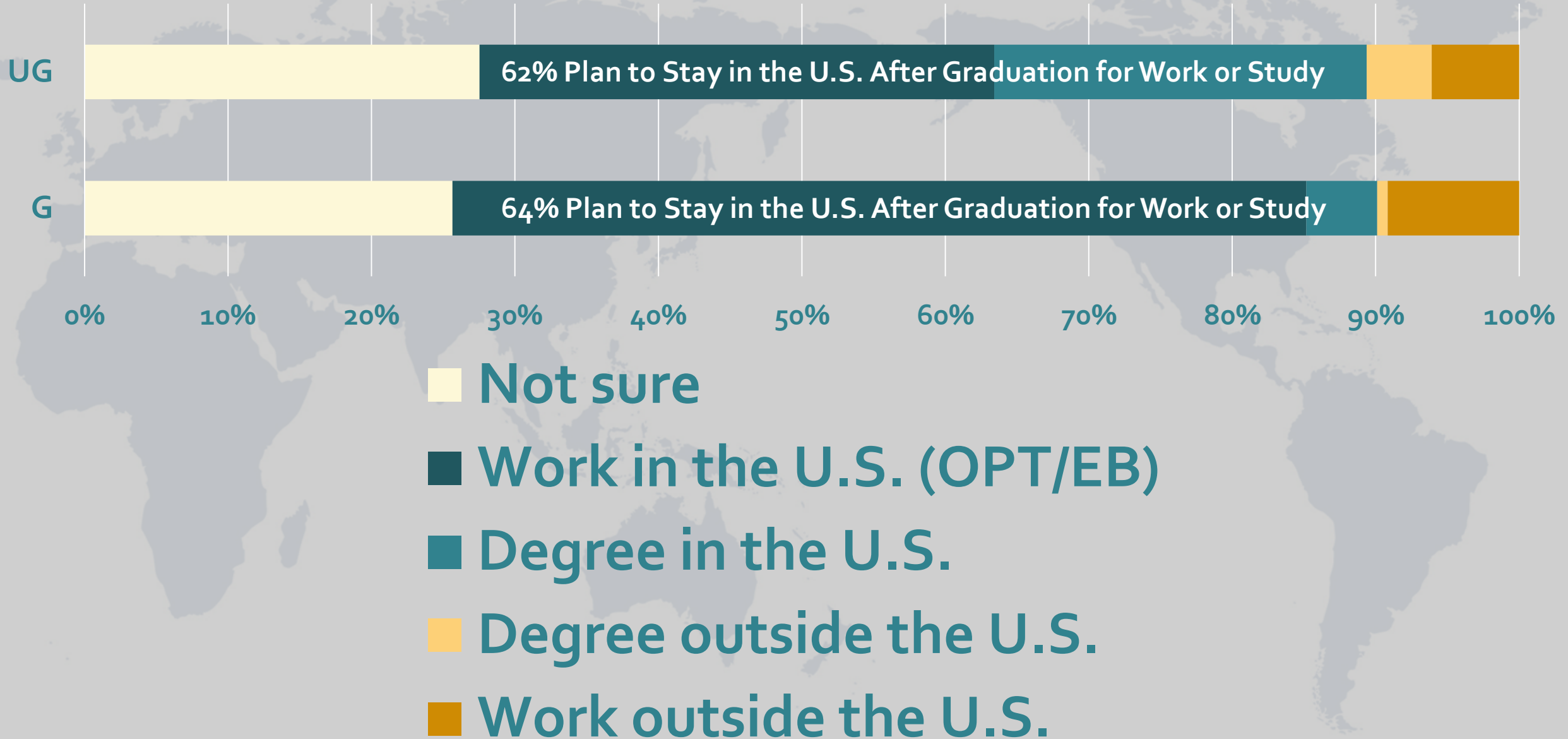


# Spotlight



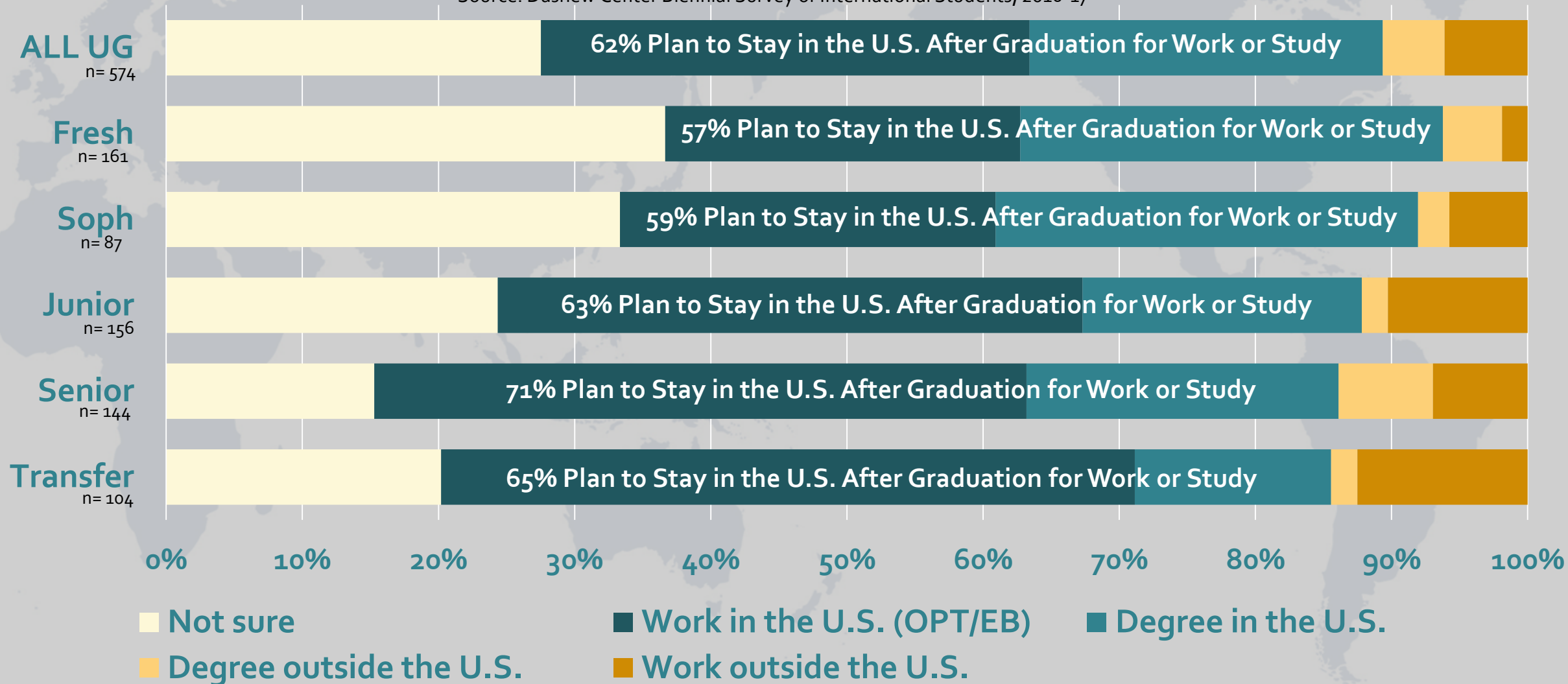
- International graduate students feel more prepared to manage their professional path than international undergraduates.
- However, international undergraduates nearly catch up by the time they are seniors.
- Professional students feel the most prepared among graduate students.

# Post-Graduation Plans



# Post-Graduation Plans, International Undergraduate Students

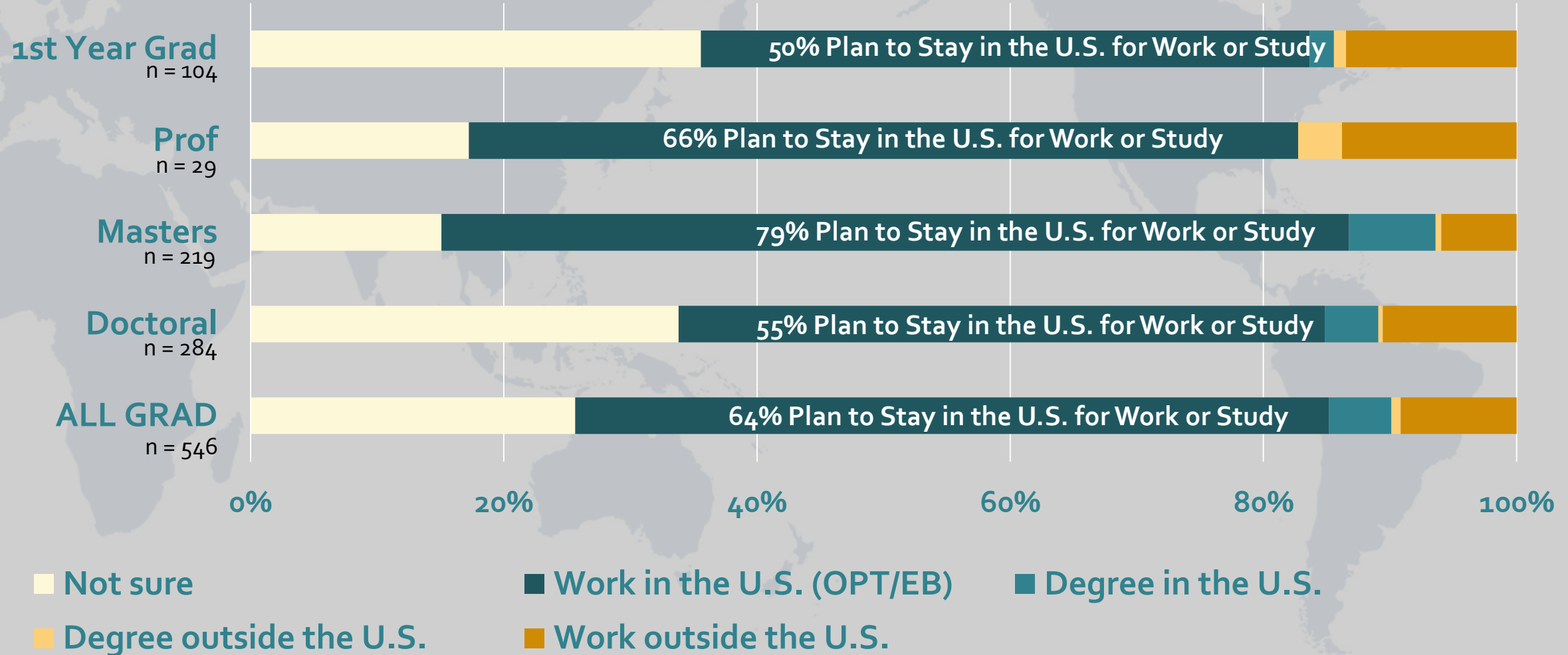
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# Post-Graduation Plans, International Graduate Students, n=546

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# Spotlight



- Over 60% of international students plan to stay in the U.S. for work or study
- International undergraduates start with more uncertainty about their post-graduate plans. As students progress, their uncertainty dissolves and more international undergraduates report plans to work or study inside and outside of the U.S.
- Among graduate students, Master's students plan to stay in the U.S. at the highest rates followed by professional degree students. Doctoral students report the most uncertainty around their post-graduate plans and have the lower rates of planning to stay in the U.S. for work or study.

# Questions

