

63 Percent of Graduating Seniors See Graduate School in Their Future

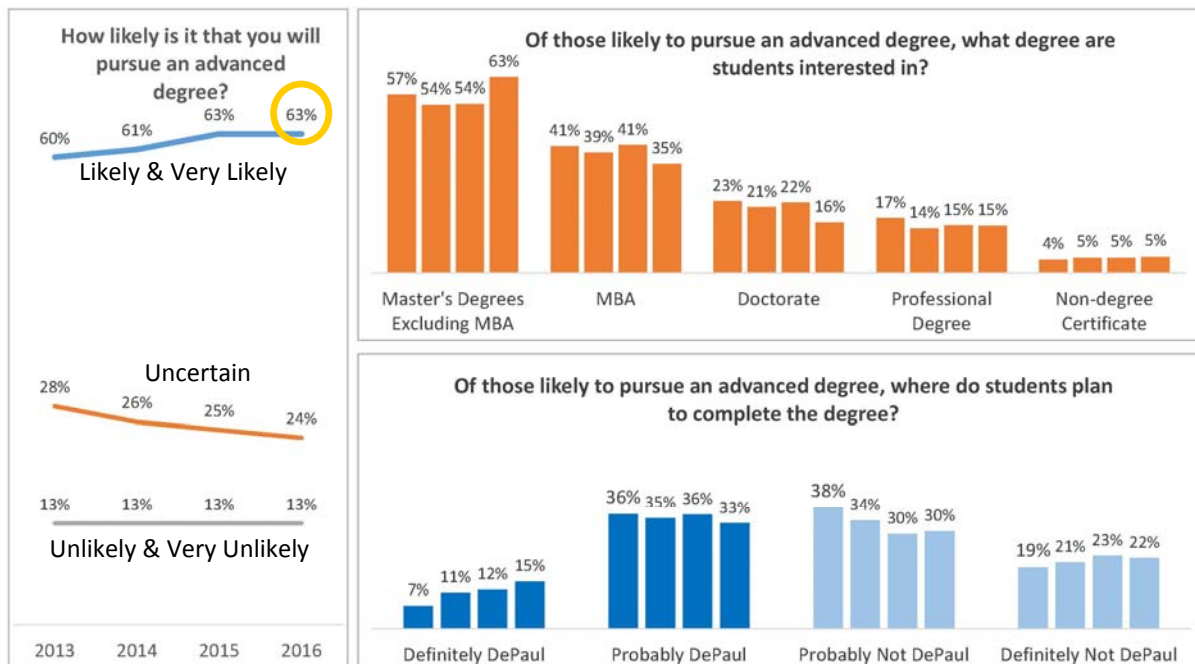
Sixty-three percent of seniors graduating in 2016 reported they would likely pursue an advanced degree, up from 60 percent in 2013, according to the most recent DePaul Graduating Senior Survey. This increase offset a decline in the proportion of graduating seniors uncertain about graduate school, down from 28 percent in 2013 to 24 percent in 2016.

In 2016, nearly two in three students who planned an advanced degree were interested in a master's degree other than an MBA and a third reported interest in an MBA. From 2013

to 2016, interest in other master's degrees went up while interest in MBAs and doctoral degrees went down.

The proportion of graduating students who were interested in attending DePaul for graduate school rose from 43 percent in 2013 to 48 percent in 2016. This increase was due to a significant increase of students who said they will definitely attend DePaul, up from 7 to 15 percent over this time. The percent of students who said they would probably attend DePaul declined by 3 percentage points.

Advanced Degree Plans of Graduating Seniors—For Years 2013 to 2016



Source: IRMA survey data from the Undergraduate Student Exit Survey as presented in the Undergraduate Perceptions of the Student Experience 2016 report. For the full report, contact Joe Filkins at jfilkins@depaul.edu.