EVERY PROBLEM WE FACE IS CREATED BY HUMAN CHOICES. AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THOSE PROBLEMS CAN ALSO BE SOLVED BY HUMAN CHOICES. EVERYONE NEEDS TO UNDERSTAND THE AWESOME POWER THAT EACH OF YOU REALLY HAS AT YOUR DISPOSAL AS YOU GRADUATE: THE POWER TO CHOOSE.

JOHN KERRY, 68TH SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Class of 2018 Commencement Keynote Speaker
CLASS PROFILE
BY MAJOR AND DEMOGRAPHICS
This report includes NYUAD graduates from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. Placement data is self-reported. Figures in this report are rounded to the nearest whole number; therefore, totals do not always equal 100%.

36% SOCIAL SCIENCE
- Economics
- Political Science
- Social Research and Public Policy

31% SCIENCE
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Psychology

20% ARTS AND HUMANITIES
- Arab Crossroads Studies
- Art and Art History
- Film and New Media
- History
- Literature and Creative Writing
- Music
- Theater
- Visual Arts

13% ENGINEERING
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- General Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

65+ LANGUAGES SPOKEN

52% 48%
70 countries represented

At Oxford, I intend to reflect on ways we can reform education so that we empower the youth through knowledge and character development. I hope to find ways to ease the transition for students when they’re moving from high school to university to employment.

MAITHA AL MEMARI
CURRENT ROLE: Master’s Student in Public Policy, University of Oxford
Oxford, United Kingdom
MAJOR: Social Research and Public Policy
HOME REGION: Abu Dhabi, UAE
We need to think not only as engineers, but also adopt the mindsets of social scientists, economists, and end users all at once. The products we design, the services we offer, and the infrastructure we build will ultimately be used by people, and animals in some cases. We need to consider practicality, ergonomics, and most importantly, environmental and financial sustainability.

CURRENT ROLE:
Resident Engineer, Kgoshadi Consulting Engineers
Polokwane, South Africa

MAJOR:
Civil Engineering

HOME REGION:
Chingola, Zambia

FIRST DESTINATIONS
CLASS OF 2018

EVGENIJA FILOVA

I am learning to understand and enjoy life in this small place in northern Norway, shopping for lamps, going for hikes up the frozen mountain, visiting grandparents and trying to explain in my best Norwegian how much I love their homemade cake and what life in Abu Dhabi was like.

CURRENT ROLE:
Peacepainting Foundation, European Voluntary Service, Long-Term Volunteer
Terråk, Nordland, Norway

MAJOR:
Visual Arts

HOME REGION:
Gevgelija, Macedonia

ISAIAH MWAMBA


AIMAN KHURRAM

At Etihad, I enjoy working with people from across different departments in a highly diverse setting. I also love the fact that I continue to be a student. I have a steep learning curve despite not being at an educational institution.

CURRENT ROLE:
Web Analytics Specialist, Etihad Airways
Abu Dhabi, UAE

MAJOR:
Economics

HOME REGION:
Islamabad, Pakistan
The intellectual challenges I face here make me feel like I am becoming a better me everyday. Law school forces you to think in different ways about issues you might have never questioned before and this helps me to become a more aware, considerate and thoughtful person.

**CURRENT ROLE:**
JD Candidate, Harvard Law School
Cambridge, MA, United States

**MAJOR:**
Economics and Political Science

**HOME REGION:**
Khanty-Mansiysk, Russian Federation
WHERE DID THEY GO?
TOP DESTINATION COUNTRIES

HOME REGION VS. POST-GRADUATE DESTINATION

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<tr>
<th>Region</th>
<th>Home Region</th>
<th>Post-graduate destination</th>
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<td>Middle East and North Africa</td>
<td>38%</td>
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50 POST-GRAD COUNTRY DESTINATIONS

67% ARE NOT IN THEIR HOME COUNTRY

- United Arab Emirates: 34%
- United States: 22%
- United Kingdom: 7%
- France: 3%
- Singapore: 2%
- Canada: 2%
- Australia: 2%
- Hungary: 2%
- Egypt: 2%
NGHIEQ Q. HUYNH

Students come from different places and decide to join our unique community with different goals in mind. **Few places are better to experiment than NYUAD.** The risks I took allowed me to find the right path that led me to where I am today. Although it requires hard work and dedication, it is a privilege to pursue whatever direction my intellectual curiosity takes me.

**CURRENT ROLE:** PhD Student in Economics, Yale University
New Haven, CNT, United States

**MAJOR:** Economics and Mathematics

**HOME REGION:** Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

My time both as a member and leader of the ADvocacy student interest group impressed on me the importance of **empowering the vulnerable in our communities through service and engagement** - something I desperately looked to do when I returned back to Australia. Before starting law school, I chose to work with the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre in Melbourne to gain frontline experience with an issue I not only feel very strongly about, but one that I also see myself engaging with in the future as a civic-minded legal professional.

**CURRENT ROLE:** JD Candidate, University of Melbourne
Melbourne, Australia

**MAJOR:** Political Science

**HOME REGION:** Brisbane, Australia

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GRADUATE SCHOOL
BY DISCIPLINE

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SELECTED SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS ATTENDED

- Boston University
  MS, Mechanical Engineering
- Cornell University
  JD, Law
- Georgetown University
  MA, Arab Studies
- Harvard University
  MS, Data Science
- HEC Paris
  MS, International Finance
- Humboldt University
  MA, Global History
- Khalifa University
  MD, Medicine
- King’s College London
  MS, Health Psychology
- London School of Economics and Political Science
  MS, Conflict Studies
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
  PhD, Physics
- McGill University
  MEng, Civil Engineering and Applied Mechanics
- Princeton University
  PhD, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
- Radboud University
  MS, Cognitive Neuroscience
- Rhode Island School of Design
  MID, Industrial Design
- Stanford University
  PhD, Comparative Literature
- The Juilliard School
  MFA, Acting
- University of Cambridge
  PhD, Chemistry
- University of Melbourne
  JD, Law
- University of Oxford
  MS & DPhil, Neuroscience

ARIANNA STUCKI

By hearing many different artistic voices over the course of four years, I developed my own. I developed an understanding of what I wanted to say, how I wanted to say it, and what community it could serve. These questions are all part of being an artist and a citizen, and are the same questions I am exploring now at Juilliard.

CURRENT ROLE:
Acting, MFA Student (Group 51), The Juilliard School
New York City, NY, United States

MAJOR:
Theater

HOME REGION:
Ogden, UT, United States

NIKOLAJ RAMSDAL NIELSEN

“”There is so much to explore at NYUAD aside from academics and research work. In the summer after my junior year I was able to go to Greenland as part of my fieldwork for my Capstone project. That trip directly shaped the trajectory of my career as a thinker.””

CURRENT ROLE:
PhD Student, Comparative Literature
Stanford, CA, United States

MAJOR:
Literature and Creative Writing

HOME REGION:
Kolding, Denmark
ILMA JAHOVIC

“... My research experiences at NYUAD led to publications in reputable journals, which ultimately helped me secure a spot with a fellowship in one of the world’s top chemistry programs. As a PhD student, it is exciting to independently direct my own research, design studies that have scientific impact, and to interact with other scientists on a daily basis.”

CURRENT ROLE: PhD Student in Chemistry, University of Cambridge
Cambridge, United Kingdom

MAJOR: Chemistry

HOME REGION: Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

GRADUATE SCHOOL
BY DEGREE

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TOP COUNTRIES

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COUNTRIES OF ENROLLMENT

14 COUNTRIES OF ENROLLMENT

TEST SCORES

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<td>GRE Verbal</td>
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<td>MCAT</td>
<td>514 (92)</td>
<td>521</td>
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<td>LSAT</td>
<td>159 (78)</td>
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Dani Carelli

At NYUAD I became immersed in the Engineering Design Studio community. Entering the UAE Drones for Good Award pushed us to think differently about engineering solutions. We sought to challenge the status quo and worked tirelessly in the pursuit of excellence.

Shreya Shreeraman

My current job is essentially a result of the non-academic interests I nurtured at NYUAD: education and social impact. I did internships in impact evaluation, sustainability, and routinely volunteered in education initiatives. It’s how I ended up zeroing in on India — and on education specifically — during my job hunt.
## Employment by Industry

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<td>Construction</td>
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<td>Consulting</td>
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<td>Consumer Products, Retail</td>
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<td>Education</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>Energy</td>
<td>2%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Government, Law</td>
<td>8%</td>
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<td>Journalism, Publishing, Marketing</td>
<td>3%</td>
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<td>Military</td>
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<td>Scientific Research, Healthcare</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>Social Research, Non-profit</td>
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<td>Technology</td>
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<td>Transportation, Aerospace</td>
<td>3%</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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95% of employed grads plan to pursue grad school in the next 5 years.

### Selected Organizations

- Amazon Madrid, Spain
- BAE Systems Samlesbury, United Kingdom
- Central Bank of the UAE Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Citco Vilnius, Lithuania
- Da Vinci Media GmbH Berlin, Germany
- Goldman Sachs Hong Kong
- Honeywell San Francisco, CA, United States
- HSBC Hong Kong
- LG Electronics Seoul, Republic of Korea
- Mantra4Change Bangalore, India
- McKinsey & Company Budapest, Hungary
- North Kingdom Skellefteå, Sweden
- Second Spectrum Lausanne, Switzerland
- SpaceX Los Angeles, CA, United States
- The Australian Shakespeare Company Melbourne, Australia
- The National Abu Dhabi, UAE
- The World Bank Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- Third Way Africa Maputo, Mozambique
- UK Department for Education London, United Kingdom
- Unilever Shanghai, China

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### Jovan Jovancevic

I see my professional journey as a chain reaction, which started off doing things I found meaningful but couldn’t fit into the bigger picture: from synthetic biology to a student-led effort in marine biology, only to find myself in the Italian mountain chain of Gran Sasso working on a dark matter search experiment. So, taking up software engineering at Amazon seemed like it came out of nowhere. But in reality, I had grown as an engineer and a team player and through computer science and artificial intelligence classes I was more than prepared for everything I was to do at Amazon.

**Current Role:** Software Engineer, Amazon

**Major:** Computer Engineering

**Home Region:** Podgorica, Montenegro

### Peter Si

I started getting into finance technology because of the bitcoin hype of 2017. I founded a student interest group to explore blockchain further, researching budding initial coin offerings and their technical backbone. I became more and more curious about the potential impact of blockchain in the banking world and thus applied to and joined Goldman Sachs.

**Current Role:** Analyst, Goldman Sachs

**Major:** Computer Science

**Home Region:** Daegu, South Korea
As a multi-disciplinary artist, I’m constantly seeking out new spaces and opportunities to focus on my practice within inspiring and stimulating environments. My work in the arts industry in Melbourne allows me to be surrounded by arts consistently, but I still actively make time to work on my own creative pieces.

**CURRENT ROLE:**
Production Coordinator, The Australian Shakespeare Company
Melbourne, Australia

**MAJOR:**
Theater

**HOME REGION:**
Wellington, New Zealand

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**EMPLOYMENT**

**MEAN ANNUAL BASE SALARY (AED)**

- **243K**
  - Western Europe
- **151K**
  - Middle East and North Africa
- **225K**
  - North America
- **159K**
  - East Asia and Pacific

Data not adjusted for cost of living differences. Only includes regions with more than three data points.

**CAREER PREPARATION**

- **93%**
  - Held at least one internship
- **900+**
  - Internships held over four years
- **30%**
  - Previously interned at their company

**TOP COUNTRIES**

- **United Arab Emirates**
  - 49%
- **United States**
  - 11%
- **United Kingdom**
  - 5%
- **Egypt**
  - 3%
- **Singapore**
  - 2%
- **Pakistan**
  - 2%

**38 COUNTRIES WHERE GRADS HOLD JOBS**
EMPLOYMENT IN THE UAE

BY INDUSTRY

- Arts, Media: 4%
- Banking, Finance: 3%
- Construction: 4%
- Consulting: 23%
- Education: 12%
- Energy: 3%
- Government, Law: 14%
- Journalism, Publishing, Marketing: 5%
- Military: 5%
- Scientific Research, Healthcare: 4%
- Social Research, Non-profit: 8%
- Technology: 10%
- Transportation, Aerospace: 4%

59% OF GRADUATES IN THE UAE WORK IN ABU DHABI

While I don’t use hard skills from the chemistry lab in my work at Booz Allen, the scientific method, the process of writing a research proposal, and planning a research project have many similarities to the consulting mindset. Internships and other on-campus opportunities helped me hone the soft skills that I rely on every day at work. Interning with the Admissions office taught me how to present myself with confidence. Working with the Student Government Dining Committee, the Office of the Dean of Students, and the Health Promotion Office taught me how to speak to external stakeholders, solicit and incorporate feedback, and make long-term plans. My research in the Naumov Laboratory, and the time I spent in the Engineering Design Studio taught me independence, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills that are invaluable to my work as a consultant. Now, my job is about as interdisciplinary as it gets, and I’m glad that I can pull on the variety of experiences that I had at NYUAD.

YUMI GAMBRILL

CURRENT ROLE: Consultant, Booz Allen Hamilton Abu Dhabi, UAE
MAJOR: Chemistry
HOME REGION: Solon, OH, USA
I used to think the only way to make a difference in a developing country was through an international organization, a government position, or academia. But through my internships I realized the private sector also has a huge impact in improving the living standards in developing countries.
INSPIRE.
Share your story. Reveal career possibilities. Host a site visit at your organization.

EMPOWER.
Build awareness about your industry and organization. Pass on skills through a workshop or training session. Bridge the gap between academics and the world of work.

CONNECT.
Join our opportunity fairs. Raise your campus profile with a presentation. Engage students at our events or by becoming a mentor.

RECRUIT.
Post an opportunity. Interview on campus. Hire students for internships and full-time jobs

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