

Student's view on transition from bachelor to master. Empirical results of survey in Kyiv University.

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Kyiv University monitoring survey of student's and university's life

- Population: students of Kyiv University, 17 of faculties and institutes – bachelor's (2-4 years of study), specialist's and master's programs
- Random sample, 1028 respondents (701 bachelors, 277 masters, 50 specialists)
- Self-completion of the questionnaires
- September-October 2011

Research questions:

- What is necessity of master's programs?
- Why students attend master's programs?

Motivation to study at master's program

- To get deeper knowledge about speciality – 32%
- It will help me to find better job – 30.7%
- With bachelor diploma I can't to find job at all – 14.1%
- I would like to continue education at postgraduate course – 16.2%
- According to the advise of my friend and/or relatives, other reasons – 7.1%

Motivation to study at master's program, two groups

- Motivated for getting knowledge (knowledge oriented) – 42%
- Motivated for getting better job (labor market oriented) – 58%

Motivation and results of bachelor study – mean of the final bachelor exam grade

MA, knowledge oriented	84.9
MA, labor market oriented	85.2

Motivation and faculty type

	MA, knowledge	MA, labor
Natural faculty	30.2%	31.1%
Socio- humanitarian faculty	69.8%	68.9%

Motivation and parent's education (both have high education)

	MA, knowledge	MA, labor
No	37.9%	39.1%
Yes	62.1%	60.9%

Motivation and parents family finance situation (5 points scale)

MA, knowledge oriented	3.40
MA, labor market oriented	3.42

Motivation and gender

	MA, knowledge	MA, labor
Male	26.7%	33.8%
Female	73.3%	66.2%

Motivation and mobility (plans to live abroad after finishing education)

MA, knowledge oriented	10.7%
MA, labor market oriented	14.4%

Motivation and satisfaction of speciality of study

	MA, knowledge	MA, labor
Yes	58.6%	51.6%
No	12.9%	18.6%
Difficult to say	28.4%	29.8%

Motivation and satisfaction of bachelor program study (1 not satisfied, ..., 5 – satisfied)

MA, knowledge oriented	2.20
MA, labor market oriented	2.44

Motivation and evaluation of the problems at labor market (mean value, scale -- 1 no problems, ..., 5 – big problems)

MA, knowledge oriented	2.53
MA, labor market oriented	2.64



Thank you for attention !