12 Things to Know About Macalester Graduates
A snapshot of 2010 graduates 5 years after graduation

1. They are satisfied.
89% feel satisfied or very satisfied with their Macalester education.

2. They feel prepared.
90% feel their Macalester education prepared them very much or quite a bit for graduate or professional school.

3. They felt challenged.
93% feel faculty posed challenging ideas in class often or very often.
83% feel students challenged each other’s ideas in class often or very often.

4. They are global learners.
92% feel their study away experience contributed to their learning and personal development quite a bit or very much.

5. They spent time with faculty.
93% think Macalester faculty are willing to spend time outside class to discuss issues of interest to students.

6. They felt valued.
97% of alumni think Macalester faculty were genuinely interested in students.

7. They developed significant skills.
Graduates feel Macalester contributed quite a bit or a lot to their personal development with regard to: careful reading (90%), critical thinking (94%), effective writing (90%), intercultural knowledge (86%)

8. They feel connected.
Most alumni feel a very strong (45%) or some (43%) connection to Macalester.
78% developed a close, personal relationship with at least one faculty member while at Macalester.
9 Their careers have changed.

Almost one-third of 2010 Macalester graduates were attending graduate school in 2015.

51% enroll or complete a graduate degree within 5 years of graduating.*

10 They keep learning.

88% have had two or more different jobs since graduating from Macalester.

11 They entered the job market at the end of a recession.

In difficult economic times, 75% of Macalester graduates seeking work found jobs within the first six months after graduation.

12 They are engaged in their communities.

84% are currently involved in community service or volunteer work.

Sources: 2015 Survey of 2010 Macalester Graduates, *National Student Clearinghouse

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