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RESEARCH SNAPSHOT

mba.com Prospective Students Survey 2017

gmac.com/prospectivestudents

Global Study Plans

Top Reasons for Seeking International Study Destination (% of respondents)

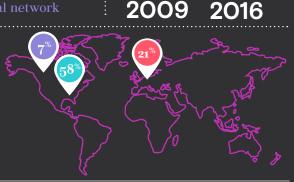
63% Receive high-quality education

58% Secure international employment

Develop international network

Top global study destinations for international candidates

- United States
- Western Europe
- Canada



44%

Expected Career Paths



Career Enhancer

(develop expertise)



Career Switcher

(switch industry or job function)



Entrepreneur

(start a business)

Increase in Candidates Interested Only in

Percentage of candidates who

plan to study internationally

59%

Non-MBA Master's

2009

15%

2016

23%

International **Employment Plans**

One-third (34%) of international candidates intend to work in the country where they attend school.

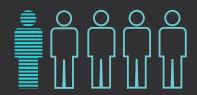


Program Considerations

of candidates consider MBAs

MBA business master's

Prior Degree Holders Also Consider MBAs



Globally, 1 in 5 candidates for graduate business programs holds a prior master's degree.



74% of these prior degree holders are considering an MBA.

Postgraduate Employment Goals

Top industries targeted:



Consulting



Finance and

accounting



Products and

services

Top job functions:



Products and



Finance and

accounting

