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Our Transition to Teaching (T2T) works to fill middle school, secondary, and PreK-12 teachers teaching vacancies in districts through an alternate teacher licensure pathway.

By the Numbers:

- 2,500 candidates have completed the FHSU T2T program since the program launched in 2003
- 311 currently enrolled FHSU T2T candidates in Kansas (the largest among all KBOR universities)
- 146 Kansas school districts employ current FHSU T2T candidates



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It is common knowledge that citizens in small, rural Kansas towns often struggle to access goods and services. What is not so well known is that many in these towns do have access to an excess of certain types of goods and services beyond what the local economy can adequately support.

In an effort to help communities better understand the needs of their local areas, the Kansas Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Fort Hays State University will conduct a study on the availability and accessibility of retail goods and services in northwest and north central Kansas.

FHSU's Docking Institute of Public Affairs has created and administered the survey for the Kansas SBDC. The Docking Institute will collect and analyze surveys mailed to randomly selected households across northwest and north central Kansas.

SBDC Regional Director Rick Feltenberger believes this survey will highlight shortages and excesses of goods or services in specific regions of Kansas. This data can help civic and business leaders address critical supply chain issues.

Mailing of the surveys began on Feb. 18, and all recipients were asked to return the survey within five days. Results will be available to the public, and county-level reports will be released online sometime this summer.



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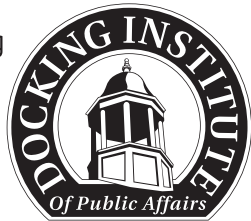
The Docking Institute of Public Affairs recently released the results of a survey of FHSU students to assess their experiences, perceptions, and attitudes toward working in Hays. Requests to participate in the study were sent to 1,765 students by email. The following is a summary of key survey findings:

Working FHSU Students at a Glance

- 93% of our students work
- 61% receive a scholarship or grant assistance
- 51% work in hourly on-campus jobs
- 48% work off-campus hourly jobs
- 31% of those who work off-campus work in piece-meal or session-type jobs
- 10% work on and off campus

Student Perceptions of the Job Opportunities in Hays

- 70% of those looking for a job or considering looking for a job agree or strongly agree that Hays employers provide student-friendly work schedules
- 60% agree or strongly agree that most employers in Hays provide positive working environments for college students
- 50 % reported that their working hours changed or their job ended because of the pandemic
- 18% of students looking for a job say the availability of child care limits their ability to work outside their residence.



Fort Hays State University

Donations to FHSU Provide Bloomberg Terminals and a Student-Managed Investment Fund

Fort Hays State University has announced that finance and accounting students now have access to the Bloomberg Terminal, which is used by leading business and financial professionals worldwide.

The Bloomberg Terminal provides real-time and historical data, market-moving news, and analytics to help leading business and financial professionals worldwide make better-informed investment decisions. Each terminal features electronic trading or trade negotiation tools for every asset class, research, and a global network to communicate securely and reliably.

The Bloomberg Terminal will serve as a resource for both students and professors. It will enable students to become familiar with financial services industry tools, reinforce classroom theory, and allow professors to use the service to further their research.

Dr. Muhammad Chishty, Dean of the W.R. and Yvonne Robbins College of Business and Entrepreneurship, said that FHSU's Investment Analytics Lab is now fully outfitted with 12 Bloomberg Terminal licenses, thanks to an anonymous lead donor and a deferred anonymous donor who will help support the investment fund in the future.

"This industry standard source of real time market data and financial news, coupled with the student managed investment fund we have created, will allow our students to develop strong analytical skills that will position them well for a career in the global financial services industry after college," Chishty said.



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