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## **Graduate Outcomes System Released**

PIERRE, S.D. – The Department of Labor and Regulation (DLR) has released the South Dakota Postsecondary Graduate Employment and Wage Outcomes system at [http://dlr.sd.gov/graduate\\_outcomes](http://dlr.sd.gov/graduate_outcomes).

The graduate outcomes system will provide students, job seekers, career counselors, educators and policy makers with a better understanding about the connections between postsecondary education choices and employment outcomes.

“The graduate outcomes system is one more resource to make informed career decisions,” said state Labor and Regulation Secretary Marcia Hultman. “Making this data match is also an essential step in creating the most effective workforce development strategies.”

This system can help answer questions users might have, including:

- What percent of graduates are employed in South Dakota?
- How much are those graduates earning in South Dakota?
- In what industries are graduates employed in South Dakota?

“Our department will also use this system to create internal reports for workforce program completers and other related grants,” said Secretary Hultman.

Providing this information is possible through a joint collaboration between the DLR, Board of Regents, and Department of Education. Additional labor market information, employment projections, wage information and career resources are available at <http://www.sdjobs.org/lmic/>.