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JOB OFFERS TO COLLEGE GRADS DROPS

MISSOULA--

Don Hjelmseth, Director of the Office of Career Services at the University of Montana, announced that the number of job offers nationwide to bachelor's degree candidates for September 1981 to June 1982 has dropped from offers of the previous six years.

Hjelmseth received this information from "Salary Survey," a nationwide publication by the College Placement Council, Inc. The UM participates in the national survey.

The "Salary Survey" data are based on offers, not acceptances, made to college students in selected curricula and graduate programs the report said.

According to the report many companies who interview prospective employees from colleges and universities around the country delayed hiring decisions and cut back on recruiting trips to wait for the economy to recover.

However, majors in petroleum engineering earned the highest average annual salary, \$30,468, and chemical engineering was second with an average of \$27,072 the report said. Accounting majors received the highest pay offers in the business field, and computer science dominated the sciences in number of offers.

Also, according to the report, average salary offers to women in the business, humanities and social sciences, and the sciences groups were lower in all cases except in accounting, chemistry and computer science.

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