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Pensacola Pledge Scholars

**BUILDING A BETTER,
STRONGER PENSACOLA.**



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Established in 2012 by Quint and Rishy Studer and inspired by the Kalamazoo Promise, the ultimate goal of the Pensacola Pledge Scholarship Program is to grow and retain top talent in our local communities to build a better and stronger Pensacola.

- Local High School Seniors can apply and attend either UWF or PSC as a Pensacola Pledge Scholar.
- Along with meeting academic requirements, the scholars are also expected to mentor K-12 students.





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OUR SUCCESS

97%

of Pensacola Pledge alumni stay in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties after graduating from UWF or PSC.

100%

of Pensacola Pledge alumni surveyed said the program helped them attain professional, personal or educational goals.

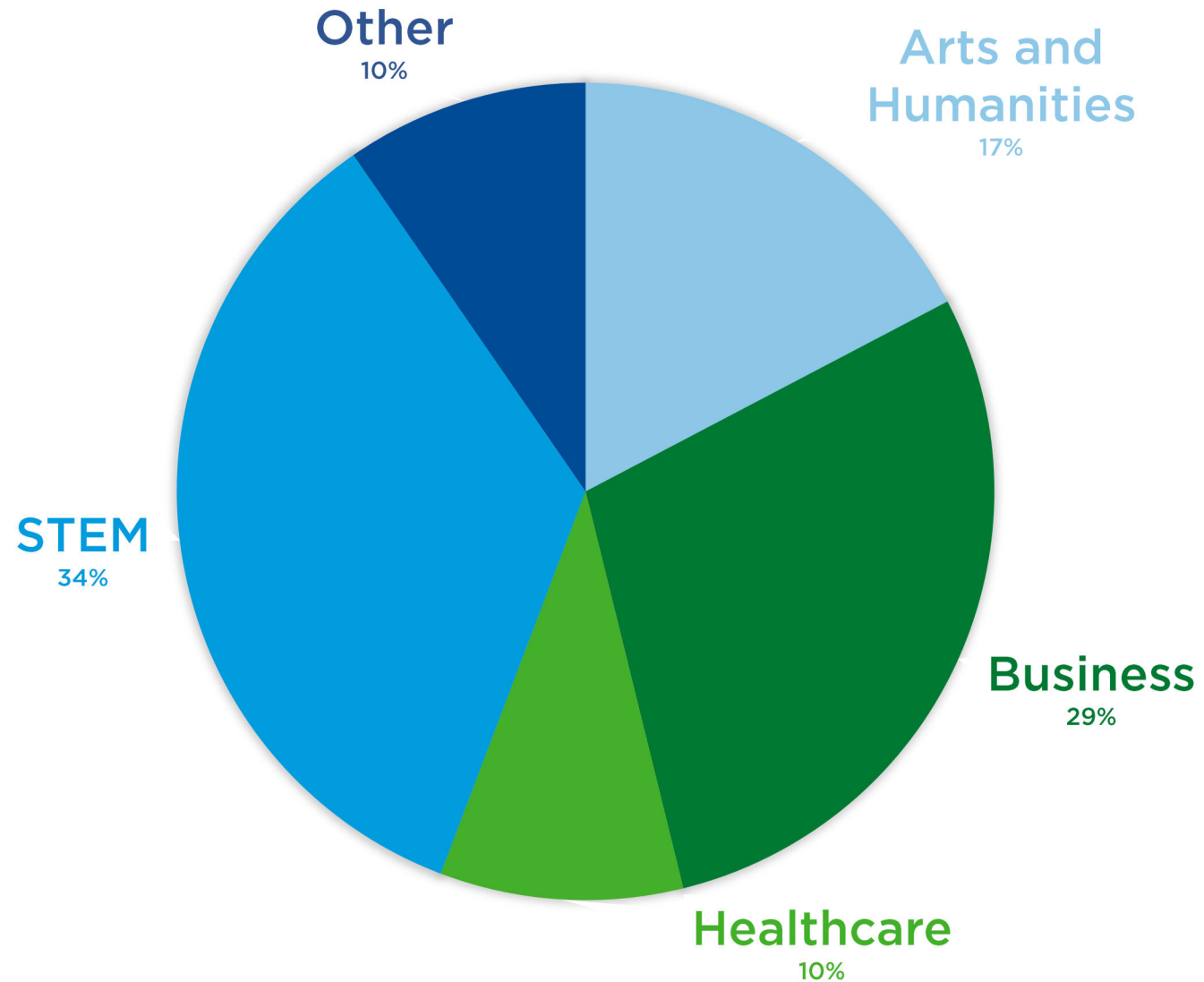
91%

of current Pensacola Pledge scholars surveyed say they plan to stay in the Northwest Florida region.



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Pensacola Pledge Student Majors





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PENSACOLA PLEDGE ALUMNI ENRICH THE TALENT OF OUR LOCAL WORKFORCE. THEIR EMPLOYERS INCLUDE:

- Ascend Performance Materials
- Navy Federal Credit Union
- City of Pensacola
- Baptist Health Care
- University of West Florida
- Lockheed Martin Corporation
- Keep Pensacola Beautiful
- Florida Department of
Environmental Protection



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HEAR WHAT OUR STUDENTS ARE SAYING:

“This program helps the future of Pensacola. I honestly want to stay in the area more all because of the university I’m attending and the many opportunities I’ve received here.”

“This program provides students with an opportunity like none other—to be a shining light in another person’s life. You can’t buy that type of experience. People need to know that this scholarship program grows the average college student into a contributing citizen of their city and country.”

“I KNOW my life would be WAY different had I not received this award. I am one of ten children and there was no way that my parents or I would be able to afford college. This scholarship has changed my life.”



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OUR NEED

70%

of UWF students require some form of financial assistance.

39%

of UWF students are Pell-grant eligible and come from a home with an annual income of less than \$35,000.

26%

of UWF students come from Escambia County. **70%** of UWF students come from our 8 county service area.



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JOIN US IN BUILDING A BETTER, STRONGER PENSACOLA

We now need community members to step up and support the Pensacola Pledge Scholarship and continue this vital program for our local high school graduates. Pensacola Pledge founders, Quint and Rishy Studer are offering a **1:1 match for every dollar donated to the program up to \$250,000.**

By investing in this scholarship program, supporters are investing in the growth of Pensacola and future generations.

Pensacola Pledge Scholars become invested in the future of our community by mentoring, and through this program, we keep and retain our talent at home.