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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### ***Forum Releases More Results of Community College Survey***

#### ***Students gauge the job market and the usefulness of college-learned skills***

Ottawa – The Public Policy Forum is releasing the second part of a two-part survey into the professional goals of community college graduates. The latest findings describe how the more than 6,000 students who participated in the survey see the job market, the strategies needed to find work and the value of the skills they have acquired.

The survey belongs to the Forum’s continuing research into the changing nature of the workplace and the next generation of workers. Many observers believe knowledge workers – those combining the latest knowledge in a subject area with problem-solving skills – will be among those in greatest demand.

“Knowledge workers hold the key to the future success of any organization,” said Nancy Averill, the Forum’s director of Research and Methodology. “Who are they? Where do you find them? How do employers recruit them?”

Both the survey the Forum is now releasing and the results of the first survey published in June try to answer such questions. The June survey called for more recruitment of community college graduates into the federal public service and a larger role for community colleges in meeting needs of public servants for continuing education.

Details of both parts of the survey can be found at the Public Policy forum Web site at [www.ppforum.ca](http://www.ppforum.ca). The Public Policy Forum is an independent, non partisan organization dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in government.

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