Engineering grads find job market tough in '87- WSU

The sputtering of the auto Industry has taken its toll on job opportunities for Wayne State University engineering graduates.
General Motors stopped recruiting on earnpus isst fall, said Robert Thomas, of the Placement Services Office at WSU. Ford and Chrysler are still recruiting, with Ford recruiting up slightly and Chrysler down somewhat.

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Over all, Thomas says engineering recruiting has dropped 55 percent in the past two years. Thomas said there has been an acceleration in military energing grads show the property of the property of

ONE CURRENT bright spot on the job horizon for graduates is the business service sector, according to

There is a big demand for graduates with training in accounting, marketing, management and finance.

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Business-related careers are on the rise nationally, Thomas said, adding, "A large segment of that has to do with the service sector of the economy which is showing significant growth."

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Recrulting for WSU business administration graduates has increased 65 percent in the past year.

Thomas said there has been a gain in the recruiting of liberal arts majors as well as business administration majors in marketing and management jobs.

AS FOR EDUCATION graduates, Thomas warned that the market may not be as lucrative nation-wide as many believe.

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He said prospective teachers will find the national market varies, depending on the population growth of a particular city and the academic background of the applicant. Most in demand are teachers of math, science and foreign languages.



"It boils down to specifically where a teacher is looking for em-ployment and what his or her back-ground is," he said. Teaching positions are very com-

petitive in the Detroit metropolitan area as opposed to the situation in some of the other states, such as Cal-ifornia, where the market is more attractive, he added.





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