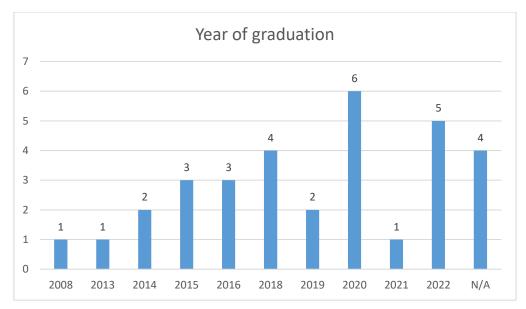
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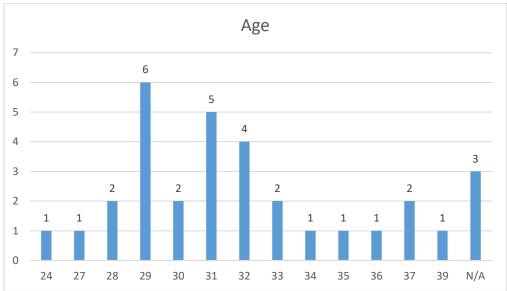
The survey was administered between Dec 21, 2022 – January 14, 2023. All alumni of the MEi:CogSci masters programme in cognitive science at Comenius University in Bratislava (120 people, graduated between 2008-2022) were approached via email and directed to a Google forms link.

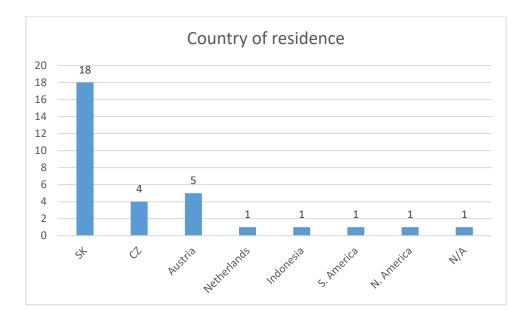
Answers to some questions were optional. Blank responses are shown as N/A in the following graphs.

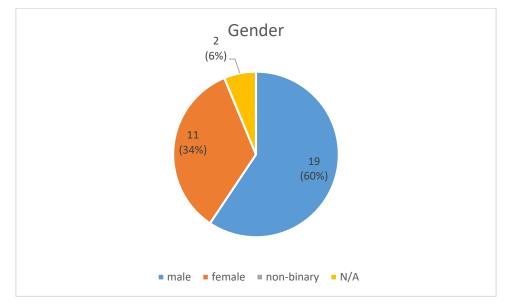
Structure of respondents

We received 32 answers (response rate **27%**). Some characteristics of the respondents are in the following graphs.



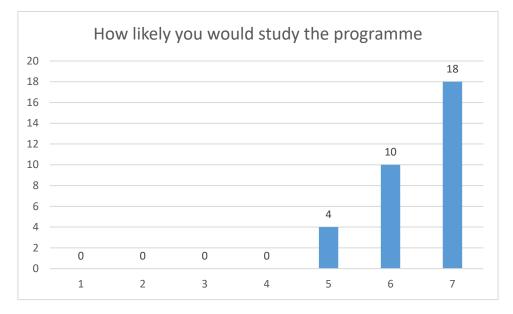






1 Evaluation of the program

1.1 If you had a chance to go back in time and decide again, how likely would you choose to study MEi:CogSci cognitive science program?



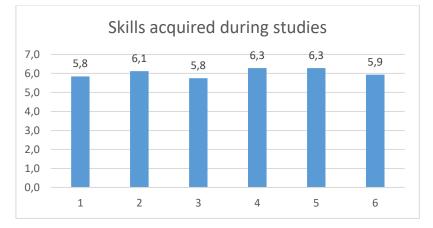
The scale is from 1 = "not at all" to 7 = "for sure". Average value is **6.44**. Histogram of the answers:

1.1b If your rating on the previous question is low, which program/university would you prefer choosing today?

- Applied informatics at FMFI UK (1)
- Faculty of informatics and information technologies at Slovak Technical University (1)

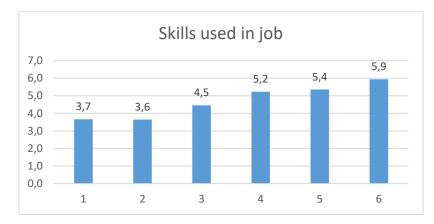
1.2 To what extent have you acquired the following skills during your studies? (Scale goes from 1 = "not at all" to 7 = "for sure".)

- 1. Ability to navigate and communicate in several scientific cultures & discourses in the disciplines related to cognitive science
- 2. Ability to follow scientific developments in the field of cognitive science in a reflected and autonomous manner
- 3. Ability to plan, conduct, document, and present a research project
- 4. Ability to look at a phenomenon from several (possibly conflicting) perspectives and ability to change your own viewpoint
- 5. Ability to work within an interdisciplinary team
- 6. Ability to use argumentation and critical thinking



1.3 To what extent do you use skills/knowledge that you acquired during your MEi:CogSci studies in your current job (or current PhD studies)? (Scale goes from 1 = "not at all" to 7 = "for sure".)

- 1. Ability to navigate and communicate in several scientific cultures & discourses in the disciplines related to cognitive science
- 2. Ability to follow scientific developments in the field of cognitive science in a reflected and autonomous manner
- 3. Ability to plan, conduct, document, and present a research project
- 4. Ability to look at a phenomenon from several (possibly conflicting) perspectives and ability to change your own viewpoint
- 5. Ability to work within an interdisciplinary team
- 6. Ability to use argumentation and critical thinking



1.4 To what extent do you use skills/knowledge that you acquired during your MEi:CogSci studies in your personal life? (Scale goes from 1 = "not at all" to 7 = "for sure".)

- 1. Ability to navigate and communicate in several scientific cultures & discourses in the disciplines related to cognitive science
- 2. Ability to follow scientific developments in the field of cognitive science in a reflected and autonomous manner
- 3. Ability to plan, conduct, document, and present a research project
- 4. Ability to look at a phenomenon from several (possibly conflicting) perspectives and ability to change your own viewpoint
- 5. Ability to work within an interdisciplinary team
- 6. Ability to use argumentation and critical thinking



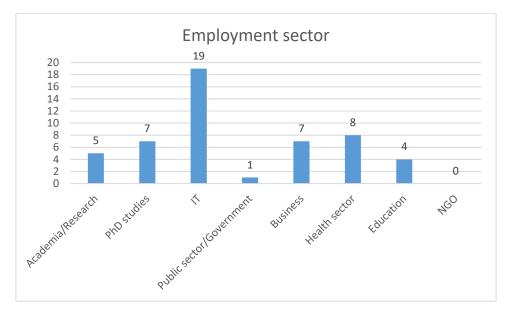
1.5 Which skill that you acquired during your MEi:CogSci studies do you value the most or find most useful?

- Appendix 1
- 1.6 Which skills are/were you missing?
 - Appendix 2

2 Employment & Life

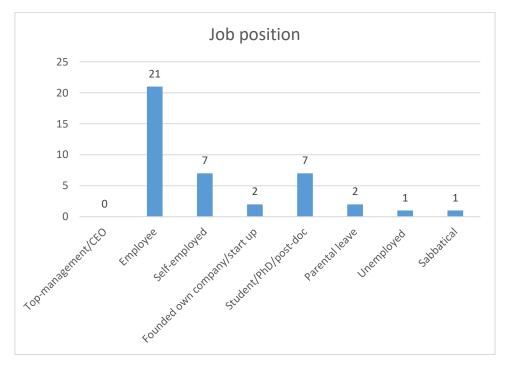
2.1 Your current employment sector

(Multiple options could be selected, that is why we do not report ratios).



2.2 Your job position:

(Multiple options could be selected, that is why we do not report ratios).



2.3 Please provide more details on your job:

• Appendix 3

2.3b Tell us about how your job is related to cognitive science or to skills/capabilities that you have acquired during your studies (if it applies).

• Appendix 4

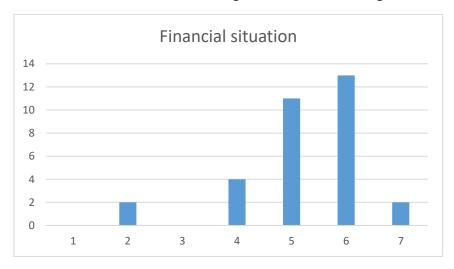
2.4 To what extent are you satisfied in your current life?

The scale was from 1– not at all to 7 – totally. The average value was **5.69**. Histogram of the answers:



2.5 How would you rate your financial situation?

The scale was from 1 – worst to 7 – best. The average value was **5.22**. Histogram of the answers:



2.6 What else do you do / like to do in your life apart from your job?

• Appendix 5

2.7 What else would you like to tell us?

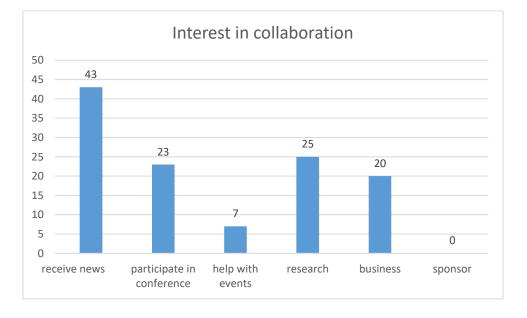
• Appendix 6

3 Collaboration

We asked the alumni to express their interest in collaborating with the MEi:CogSci programme in a separate, non-anonymous, survey. We got 44 responses (out of 120 contacted, response rate **37%**).

3. If you would like to keep in touch with us and participate in the life of MEi:CogSci Alumni community, please click on all the options below that are relevant to you.

- I wish to receive occasional announcements, such as alumni newsletters and/or information about alumni social events
- I am open to participating in future MEi:CogSci conferences (e. g. be part of an alumni panel, give a talk, etc.)
- I would like to help with organizing events
- I am open to potential research collaboration
- I am open to potential business collaboration
- I would like to provide financial sponsorship to MEi:CogSci events



3.1 If you selected research or business collaboration in the previous question, please tell us what your research or business interests are.

• Appendix 7