

Where did the 2001 Bachelor of Laws graduates go?

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I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2001 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Laws graduates :-

- How many were employed six months after graduation?
- Among those who pursued further studies, what programmes were they enrolled in?
- Among those who were employed full-time, how long did it take them to get their first job offer?
- In which sectors were they employed?
- How much salary did they receive?
- How many job offers did they receive?
- Who were their employers and what were their job titles?

II. Employment Situation in 2001

Of the 138 graduates from this programme, 117 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	LLB				HKU Overall*			
	2001		2000		2001		2000	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	117	100	140	100%	2356	100	2575	100%
Employed	10	8.5%	13	9.3%	1775	75%	2030	79%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	1	0.9%	0	0%	83	3.5%	59	2.3%
Further Studies	105	90%	126	90%	473	20%	461	18%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0%	0	0%	1	0.1%	2	0.1%
Not seeking F/T job	1	0.9%	1	0.7%	24	1.0%	23	0.9%

* HKU Overall refers to the figure for the total HKU population and includes M.B.,B.S. and B.D.S. graduates.

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III. Further Studies

105 graduates proceeded to postgraduate studies. The tables below show the academic programmes that they pursued and their sources of funds.

Field of Study	Academic Programme				
	M.Phil.	Master (Coursework)	Postgraduate Certificate	Advanced Diploma / Diploma	Others
Education	-	-	1	-	-
Law	-	3	98	1	1
Others	1	-	-	-	-

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Full Scholarship	3
Own Funds	79
Government Grant + Loan	20
Scholarship + Own Funds	1
Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	1

No Response = 1

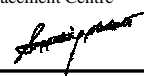
IV. Time Taken to Secure Employment

The time taken for graduates to secure employment is shown below.

By the end of	% of new graduates who have secured employment	
	2001	2000
May or before	33%	42%
June	33%	50%
July	56%	50%
August	78%	75%
September	78%	92%
October	78%	92%
November	78%	100%
December	100%	100%

No Response = 1

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V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Bachelor of Laws graduates were employed in commerce & industry, while others were employed in the civil service, educational institutions and community, social & personal services.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2001	2000
Commerce & Industry	40%	70%
Civil Service	40%	10%
Educational Institutions	10%	20%
Community, Social & Personal Services	10%	-

VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	LLB		HKU Average*		LLB		HKU Average*	
	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000
Mean	\$19,666	\$24,038	\$15,327	\$14,125	\$19,779	\$24,038	\$16,152	\$15,448
Median	\$17,000	\$20,000	\$12,200	\$12,000	\$17,000	\$20,000	\$13,217	\$13,000
Minimum	\$11,500	\$9,000	\$2,000	\$1,300	\$11,500	\$9,000	\$5,000	\$3,000
Maximum	\$40,000	\$41,000	\$45,000	\$58,000	\$40,000	\$41,000	\$49,000	\$74,967

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Bachelor of Laws graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	1 (11%)
Two	4 (44%)
Three	2 (22%)
Four	1 (11%)
Five	1 (11%)

No Response = 1

VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Laws graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Civil Service -	
- HKSAR	- Executive Officer
- HKSAR	- Insolvency Officer
- HKSAR - Education & Manpower Bureau	- Assistant Secretary (Education & Manpower)
- HKSAR - Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	- Executive Officer
Educational Institutions -	
- Pui Chun Secondary School	- Teacher
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- HK Arts Development Council	- Festival Assistant
Commerce and Industry	
- Allen & Overy	- Trainee Solicitor
- Arthur Andersen & Co	- Business Analysis and Investigation Services
- PricewaterhouseCoopers	- Tax Consultant
- Organization's name not reported	- Trainee Solicitor

Note: Some of the 2001 graduates indicated willingness to talk to individual students about their work. Contact numbers can be obtained from counsellors at the CePc.

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- IX.** Similar information on graduates from other disciplines is available for reference in the Careers Library. Please contact the CePc for further details.

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