

## Where did the 2001 Master of Social Work graduates go?

### I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2001 to

- How many were employed six months after graduation?
- 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 Situations in 2001

Of the 35 graduates from this programme, 33 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MSW				HKU Overall*			
	2001		2000		2001		2000	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	33	100%	19	100%	570	100%	596	100%
<b>Employed</b>	32	97%	16	84%	508	89%	542	91%
<b>Unemployed seeking F/T job</b>	1	3.0%	1	5.3%	13	2.3%	12	2.0%
<b>Further Studies</b>	0	0%	1	5.3%	37	6.5%	25	4.2%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	0	0%	0	0%	5	0.9%	8	1.3%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	0	0%	1	5.3%	7	1.2%	9	1.5%

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### III. 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	14%	-
June	31%	13%
July	48%	27%
August	69%	53%
September	72%	73%
October	79%	80%
November	93%	100%
December	100%	100%

No Response = 3

### IV. Employment Sectors

The majority of Master of Social Work graduates were employed in Community, Social & Personal Services, while others were employed in the Civil Service and Educational Institutions.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2001	2000
Community, Social & Personal Services	75%	88%
Civil Service	18%	0%
Educational Institutions	7.1%	13%

No Response = 4

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### V. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Master of Social Work graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	MSW		HKU Average*		MSW		HKU Average*	
	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000
<b>Mean</b>	\$18,305	\$16,202	\$20,283	\$19,910	\$18,346	\$16,303	\$20,663	\$20,963
<b>Median</b>	\$18,140	\$17,550	\$17,100	\$17,100	\$18,140	\$18,000	\$17,333	\$17,145
<b>Minimum</b>	\$12,000	\$11,820	\$8,000	\$3,000	\$12,000	\$11,820	\$8,000	\$6,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$45,000	\$18,410	\$77,500	\$73,000	\$45,000	\$18,417	\$97,500	\$92,000

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### VI. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Master of Social Work graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	18 (62%)
Two	7 (24%)
Three	2 (6.9%)
Four	1 (3.4%)
Five	1 (3.4%)

No Response = 3

### VII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Master of Social Work graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

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<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
<b>Civil Service -</b>	
- HKSAR	- Medical Social Worker
- HKSAR - Environment & Food Bureau	- Executive Officer (Adm)
- HKSAR - Social Welfare Department	- Assistant Social Work Officer
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<b>Educational Institutions -</b>	
- Fukien Secondary School	- Teacher
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Social Work & Social Administration	- Medical Social Worker
<b>Community, Social and Personal Services -</b>	
- Baptist Social Service Centre	- Social worker
- Boys' & Girls' Association of Hong Kong	- Associate Social Work Officer
- Caritas Hugs Center	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Caritas Social Centre - Cheung Sha Wan	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Caritas Social Services Center	- Social Worker
- Heep Hong Society	- Centre in Charge
- Hong Kong Caritas Center	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Children & Ill Service	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Hong Kong Christine Service	- Associate Social Work Officer
- Hong Kong Family Welfare Society	- Social Work Assistant
- Hong Kong Federation of Women's Centres	- Training and Development Officer
- Hong Kong Playground Association	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Hospital Authority - Tuen Mun Hospital	- Counsellor
- Kwun Tong Methodist Social Service	- Family Life Education Officer
- Salvation Army	- Social Worker
- Scholars' Educational Services	- Executive
- St. Christopher's House	- Social Worker
- St. James Settlement	- Social Worker
- The Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong	- Project Officer
- Tong Wah Group of Hospitals	- Social Worker
- Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service	- Social Worker
<b>Others -</b>	
- Organization's name not reported	- Guitar Teacher
- Organization's name not reported	- Social Worker

No Response = 2

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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**VIII.** Similar information on graduates from other disciplines is available for reference in the Careers Library.  
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