

Where did the 2002 Information Engineering graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2002 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Engineering in Information Engineering 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 Situations in 2002

Of the 34 graduates from this programme, 33 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BEng(InfoE)		HKU Overall*	
	2002		2002	
	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	33	100%	2139	100%
Employed	27	82%	1546	72%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0%	18	0.8%
Further Studies	6	18%	554	26%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0%	3	0.1%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0%	18	0.8%

* 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

6 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)	Others
Computer Science	1	1	-
Electrical/Electronic Engineering	3	-	-
Others	-	-	1

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Own Funds	2
Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	4

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
	2002
May or before	3.7%
June	19%
July	26%
August	63%
September	81%
October	100%

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V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Information Engineering graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Educational Institutions, Community, Social & Personal Services and the Civil Service.

Sector	% of graduates
	2002
Commerce & Industry	70%
Educational Institutions	19%
Community, Social & Personal Services	7.4%
Civil Service	3.7%

VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Information Engineering graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary		Gross Income	
	BEng(InfoE)	HKU Average*	BEng(InfoE)	HKU Average*
	2002	2002	2002	2002
Mean	\$10,463	\$13,507	\$10,799	\$14,410
Median	\$10,000	\$10,300	\$10,000	\$11,000
Minimum	\$7,000	\$2,000	\$7,000	\$2,000
Maximum	\$17,100	\$75,000	\$17,100	\$95,833

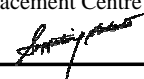
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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Information Engineering graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	14 (52%)
Two	10 (37%)
Three	1 (3.7%)
Four	2 (7.4%)

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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

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

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Civil Service -	
- HKSAR - Education and Manpower Bureau - School Activities Unit	- Activities Coordinator
Educational Institutions -	
- King's College	- IT Teacher
- The Institute of Vocational Education	- Teaching Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Careers Education and Placement Centre	- Executive Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering	- Research Assistant
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- Hospital Authority - Prince of Wales Hospital	- Speech Therapist Assistant
- TWGHs	- Welfare Worker
Commerce and Industry -	
- Amic Technology (HK) Inc Ltd	- Sales Engineer
- Azeus Systems Limited	- Software Engineer
- California Red Ltd	- Programmer
- Federal Insurance Company	- IT support
- Hang Seng Bank Limited	- IT Officer
- Hong Kong Dragon Airlines Ltd	- Analyst Programmer Trainee
- HSBC	- Contract Programmer
- HSBC	- Contract Programmer
- HSBC	- Programmer
- Millennium Consulting Services Limited	- Programmer
- New York Life Insurance Worldwide Ltd	- Financial Planning Executive
- Protel Communication Ltd	- Assistant System Engineer
- Richwap Company Limited	- Programmer
- Ryoden (Holdings) Ltd.	- Intern
- Smartone Telecommunication Limited	- Customer Care Officer
- Smile Technology Limited	- Programmer
- So-net	- Executive
- TechOne System Limited	- Application Developer
- WCW Technology Limited	- Software Engineer

Note: Some of the 2002 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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