

Where did the 2002 Bachelor of Social Work 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 Social Work 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 53 graduates from this programme, 44 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BSW				HKU Overall*			
	2002		2001		2002		2001	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	44	100%	52	100%	2139	100%	2356	100%
Employed	39	89%	48	92%	1546	72%	1775	75%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0%	2	3.8%	18	0.8%	83	3.5%
Further Studies	3	6.8%	1	1.9%	554	26%	473	20%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0%	1	1.9%	3	0.1%	1	0.1%
Not seeking F/T job	2	4.5%	0	0%	18	0.8%	24	1.0%

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III. Further Studies

3 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	
	Master (Coursework)	Others
Computer Science	-	1
Urban Planning/Studies	1	-
Others	1	-

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Own Funds	2
Scholarship + Own Funds	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	
	2002	2001
May or before	14%	11%
June	33%	20%
July	47%	38%
August	86%	60%
September	97%	73%
October	100%	84%
November	100%	98%
December	100%	100%

No Response = 3

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V. Employment Sectors

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

Sector	% of graduates	
	2002	2001
Community, Social & Personal Services	87%	80%
Educational Institutions	5.3%	11%
Civil Service	5.3%	4.4%
Commerce & Industry	2.6%	4.4%

No Response = 1

VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Social Work graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BSW		HKU Average*		BSW		HKU Average*	
	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001
Mean	\$13,982	\$14,011	\$13,507	\$15,327	\$14,037	\$14,104	\$14,410	\$16,152
Median	\$12,800	\$12,595	\$10,300	\$12,200	\$13,000	\$12,595	\$11,000	\$13,217
Minimum	\$10,000	\$9,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$10,000	\$9,000	\$2,000	\$5,000
Maximum	\$18,140	\$25,000	\$75,000	\$45,000	\$18,140	\$25,000	\$95,833	\$49,000

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	16 (44%)
Two	10 (28%)
Three	6 (17%)
Four	2 (5.6%)
Five	2 (5.6%)

No Response = 3

VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

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

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Civil Service -	
- HKSAR - Department of Health	- Contract Social Worker
- HKSAR - Department of Health (Adolescent Health Team)	- Social Worker
Educational Institutions -	
- Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Primary School Counselling Service	- Primary School Counsellor
- Tung Wah Group of Hospitals	- Social Worker
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service	- Social Worker
- Caritas Centre	- Student Counsellor
- Caritas Family Service, Project on Extramarital Affairs	- Parent Education Officer
- Caritas Lai Kok Home	- Social Work Assistant
- Free Methodist Church Tuen Mun Children & Youth Integrated Services Centre	- Social Work Assistant
- H.K.S.K.H Primary School Counselling Service	- Primary School Counsellor
- Haven of Hope Ming Tak Day Activity Centre Cum Hostel	- Social Worker



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- HK Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council	- Primary School Counsellor
- HK Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council	- Social Worker
- HKSKW Welfare Council	- Social Worker
- Hok Yau Club	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Hok Yau Club	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Hong Chi Tai Po (South) Centre	- Social Work Assistant
- Hong Kong Christian Service - LCUSUIT	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Christian Service Lei Cheng Uk & So Uk Integrated Team	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Union	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Eating Disorder Association Ltd	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Hong Kong Family Welfare Society	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Playground Association	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Primary School Counselling Service	- Primary School Counsellor
- Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Primary School Counselling Service	- Primary School Counsellor
- Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council	- Counsellor
- Sheng Kung Hui Diocesan Welfare Council	- Social Worker
- SKH New Immigrant Integrated Services Centre	- Social Work Assistant
- St James Settlement	- Social Worker
- The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong	- Social Worker
- The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hong Kong	- Occupation's name not reported
- The Hong Kong Bank Foundation Hong Chi Fung Tak Centre Cum Hong Chi Tung Tau Hostel	- Social Work Assistant
- The Lutheran Church	- Social Worker
- The Salvation Army Tuen Mun Integrated Services for Young People	- Social Worker Assistant
- Tung Wah Group of Hospitals	- Family Caseworker
- Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Wong Cho Tong Care & Attention Home	- Social Work Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Social Worker
Commerce and Industry -	
- Synergy Network	- Project Manager

No Response = 1

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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