

Where did the 2002 Master of Philosophy graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2002 to answer the following questions about Master of Philosophy 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 178 graduates from this programme, 118 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MPhil			
	2002		2001	
	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	118	100%	129	100%
Employed	87	74%	90	70%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	1	0.8%	4	3.1%
Further Studies	26	22%	34	26%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	2	1.7%	0	0%
Not seeking F/T job	2	1.7%	1	0.8%

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III. Further Studies

26 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			
	PhD	MPhil	Master (Coursework)	Postgraduate Certificate
Arts	1	-	-	-
Education	-	-	-	1
Industrial Engineering	2	-	-	-
Medical Science	3	1	-	-
Quantity Surveying/Surveying	1	-	-	-
Science	8	2	-	-
Social Sciences	1	-	-	-
Social Work	1	-	-	-
Others	1	-	1	1

No Response = 2

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Full Scholarship	7
Government Grant+Loan	4
Own Fund	3
Scholarship+Own Fund	1
Scholarship+Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	4
Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	5

No Response = 2

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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	29%	37%
June	30%	43%
July	39%	59%
August	49%	70%
September	69%	83%
October	76%	86%
November	83%	94%
December	100%	100%

No Response = 4

V. Employment Sectors

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

Sector	% of graduates	
	2002	2001
Educational Institutions	49%	44%
Commerce & Industry	40%	40%
Civil Service	8.6%	4.5%
Community, Social & Personal Services	2.5%	11%

No Response = 3

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VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Master of Philosophy graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary		Gross Income	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
Mean	\$15,790	\$16,400	\$16,104	\$16,761
Median	\$15,000	\$16,250	\$16,073	\$16,500
Minimum	\$9,000	\$6,400	\$9,000	\$6,400
Maximum	\$28,075	\$36,000	\$28,075	\$39,000

VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	35 (44%)
Two	21 (27%)
Three	14 (18%)
Four	7 (8.9%)
Five	2 (2.5%)

No Response = 5

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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Master of Philosophy 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 - Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department	- Nature Conservation Officer
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- HKSAR - Census and Statistics Department	- Research Statistician
- HKSAR - Environmental Protection Department	- Environmental Education Officer
- HKSAR - Home Affairs Department	- Administrative Officer
- HKSAR - ICAC	- Assistant Commission Against Corruption Officer
Educational Institutions -	
- Belilios Public School	- Assistant Education Officer
- City University of Hong Kong	- Lecturer
- City University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- City University of Hong Kong - SCOPE	- Instructor
- Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	- Research Assistant
- Kowloon Wah Yan College	- Teacher
- Meng Tak Primary School - Chai Wan	- Certificate Master
- Shun Tak Fraternal Association Yung Yau College	- Teacher
- St. Paul's Secondary School	- Graduate Master
- St. Peter's Secondary School	- Teacher
- STFA Wu Mien Tuen Primary School	- Certificate Master
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong - Department of Modern Languages	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
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- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant I

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- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant I & Demonstrator
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant II
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Medicine	- Research Assistant II
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Microbiology	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Physics	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - E-Business Technology Institute	- Technology Officer
- The University of Hong Kong - Institute of Molecular Biology	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - SPACE	- College Lecturer
- University of Hong Kong Science and Technology - Language Centre	- Assistant Instructor
- Organization's name not reported	- Teacher
- Organization's name not reported	- Teacher
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- Caritas - Hong Kong	- Social Work Assistant
- HK Jockey Club	- Guests Relations Officer
Commerce and Industry -	
- Automated Systems Limited	- System Engineer
- Aventis Pasteur	- Product Manager
- CK Life Sciences Int'l., Inc.	- Assistant Scientific Officer
- CK Life Sciences Int'l., Inc.	- Science Officer
- Concord Camera	- Firmware Engineer
- HK Economic Times Ltd.	- Administrator
- Hong Kong Dragon Airlines Limited	- Management Trainee
- HSBC	- System Analyst
- Kong Sun Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd	- Construction Engineer
- Ling Kee Publishing Co. Ltd	- Editor
- Maunsell Geotechnical Service Ltd	- Assistant Geologist
- Medical Gene Center Limited	- Scientific Officer
- Merck Sharp & Dohme (Asia) Ltd.	- Clinical Research Assistant
- Metronic	- Sales & Marketing
- Neon King Ltd	- Market Assistant
- PCCW	- Business Analyst
- Siemens Ltd. HK.	- Application Specialists
- SNP Manhattan Press (HK) Ltd	- Assistant Editor
- SNP Manhattan Press (HK) Ltd.	- Editor
- SNP Manhattan Press (HK) Ltd.	- Editor
- Swire Coca-Cola Limited	- Purchasing Agent



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| - Sylvia Pharmaceuticals | - Sales |
| - Techvision | - Software Engineer |
| - Teleeye Holding Ltd. | - Engineer |
| - UL International Ltd | - Engineer |
| - Vantico Limited | - Technical & Business Support Executive |
| - Worldwide Bible Society | - Assistant Editor |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Insurance Salesman |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Planner |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Programmer |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Research Assistant |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Sales & Services Engineer |
| Others - | |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Electronic Engineer |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Teacher |

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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