

## Where did the 2002 Master 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 Master of Social Work graduates:-

- 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 2002

Of the 26 graduates from this programme, 18 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MSW				HKU Overall*			
	2002		2001		2002		2001	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	18	100%	33	100%	505	100%	570	100%
<b>Employed</b>	18	100%	32	97%	455	90%	508	89%
<b>Unemployed seeking F/T job</b>	0	0%	1	3.0%	9	1.8%	13	2.3%
<b>Further Studies</b>	0	0%	0	0%	29	5.7%	37	6.5%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	0	0%	0	0%	6	1.2%	5	0.9%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	0	0%	0	0%	6	1.2%	7	1.2%

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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	
	2002	2001
May or before	0%	14%
June	5.6%	31%
July	44%	48%
August	83%	69%
September	94%	72%
October	94%	79%
November	94%	93%
December	100%	100%

### 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.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2002	2001
Community, Social & Personal Services	94%	75%
Civil Service	5.9%	18%
Educational Institutions	0%	7.1%

No Response = 1

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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*	
	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001
<b>Mean</b>	\$16,202	\$18,305	\$18,081	\$20,283	\$16,202	\$18,346	\$18,265	\$20,663
<b>Median</b>	\$18,000	\$18,140	\$17,000	\$17,100	\$18,000	\$18,140	\$17,000	\$17,333
<b>Minimum</b>	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$7,000	\$8,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$7,000	\$8,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$18,270	\$45,000	\$80,000	\$77,500	\$18,270	\$45,000	\$100,000	\$97,500


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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	8 (44%)
Two	7 (39%)
Three	3 (17%)

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### 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.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
<b>Civil Service -</b>	
- HKSAR - Department of Health	- Registered Social Worker
<b>Community, Social and Personal Services -</b>	
- Caritas - Hong Kong	- Social Worker
- Caritas - Hong Kong	- Social Worker
- Caritas - Hong Kong	- Social Worker
- Free Methodist Church Tuen Mun Children and Youth Integrated Services Centre	- Youth Supporting Team Leader (Assistant Social Work Officer)
- Haven of Hope	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Christian Service	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Family Welfare Society	- Social Worker Assistant
- Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups	- Youth Work Officer
- Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Diocesan Welfare Council	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council	- Social Worker
- International Social Service Hong Kong Branch	- Social Worker
- Kwun Tong Methodist Social Service	- Centre Service Officer
- The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong	- Social Worker
- The Hong Kong Federation of Youths Groups	- Youth Work Officer
- Tung Chung Integrated Services Centre/ NAAC	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Organization's name not reported	- Marriage Counsellor

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.



## Where did the 2002 Master of Social Work graduates go?

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