

Where did the 2003 Information Engineering graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2003 to answer the following questions about 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 2003

Of the 59 graduates from this programme, 48 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BEng(InfoE)				HKU Overall*			
	2003		2002		2003		2002	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	48	100%	33	100%	2364	100%	2139	100%
Employed	39	81%	27	82%	1712	72%	1546	72%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0%	0	0%	7	0.3%	18	0.8%
Further Studies	7	15%	6	18%	625	26%	554	26%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0%	0	0%	3	0.1%	3	0.1%
Not seeking F/T job	2	4.2%	0	0%	17	0.7%	18	0.8%

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III. Further Studies

7 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			
	Ph.D.	M.Phil.	Master (Coursework)	Bachelor's Degree
Arts	-	-	-	1
Business Administration/Management	-	-	1	-
Computer Science	-	-	1	-
Electrical/Electronic Engineering	1	-	-	-
Others	-	1	1	-

No Response = 1

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Full Scholarship	1
Own Funds	2
Scholarship + Own Funds	1
Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	1

No Response = 2

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	
	2003	2002
May or before	17%	3.7%
June	36%	19%
July	64%	26%
August	78%	63%
September	89%	81%
October	94%	100%
November	100%	100%
December	100%	100%

No Response = 2

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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, the Civil Service and Community, Social & Personal Services.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2003	2002
Commerce & Industry	72%	70%
Educational Institutions	17%	19%
Civil Service	8.3%	3.7%
Community, Social & Personal Services	2.8%	7.4%

No Response = 2

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*	
	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002
Mean	\$9,794	\$10,463	\$12,545	\$13,507	\$10,142	\$10,799	\$13,470	\$14,410
Median	\$9,500	\$10,000	\$9,500	\$10,300	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$11,000
Minimum	\$6,000	\$7,000	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$7,000	\$3,000	\$2,000
Maximum	\$17,220	\$17,100	\$60,000	\$75,000	\$19,000	\$17,100	\$60,000	\$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	12 (33%)
Two	11 (31%)
Three	8 (22%)
Four	4 (11%)
Five	1 (2.8%)

No Response = 2

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 -	
- HKSARG - Electrical and Mechanical Services Department	- Electronic Engineering Graduate
- HKSARG - Electrical and Mechanical Services Department	- Engineering Graduate Trainee
- HKSARG - Electrical and Mechanical Services Department	- Information Engineering Graduate
Educational Institutions -	
- King's College	- Teaching Assistant
- The Chinese Foundation Secondary School	- Graduate Master
- The University of Hong Kong	- Analyst Programmer
- The University of Hong Kong - Careers Education and Placement Centre	- Temporary Executive Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering	- Software Engineer
- Yuen Long Public Secondary School	- Teaching Assistant
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- Hospital Authority - Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital	- Temporary Junior Operator

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Commerce and Industry -

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| - Aristo Educational Press Ltd. | - Physics/ Science Editor |
| - ASM Assembly Automation Ltd | - Customer Service Engineer |
| - ASM Assembly Automation Ltd | - Electronic Engineer |
| - ASM Assembly Automation Ltd | - MIS Programmer |
| - Astee Power | - Quality Assurance Engineer |
| - Broad learning Eduation (Asia) Ltd. | - Sales Executive |
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| - Cascade Ltd | - Graduate Trainee |
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| - Cascade Ltd | - Graduate Trainee |
| - Cascade Ltd | - Graduate Trainee |
| - City Telecom (HK) Ltd. | - Management Trainee |
| - Community Business | - Office Administrator |
| - Edps system Limited | - Network Coordinator |
| - Fantastic Natural Cosmetics Limited | - Management Trainee |
| - Kinetiy Systems Limited | - Consultant Trainee |
| - KPMG | - Accountant |
| - Langham Hotel | - Guest service agent |
| - Natsunichi HiTech Ltd | - Engineer Trainee |
| - PCCW | - Graduate Trainee |
| - PCCW | - IT Professional Trainee |
| - Portal Vision Co Ltd | - Management Trainee |
| - Singapore Technologies Electronics Ltd | - Business Development Officer |
| - Texas InstrumentsHong Kong Ltd | - Technical Sales Associate |
| - Titanium Technology Limited | - Project Assistant |
| - Yes Asia.com | - Production Management Trainee |

No Response = 2

Note: Some of the 2003 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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