

Where did the 2003 Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates go?

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I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2003 to answer the following questions about Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) 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 30 graduates from this programme, 17 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MPhil (Faculty of Medicine)				HKU Overall*			
	2003		2002		2003		2002	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	17	100%	26	100%	179	100%	173	100%
Employed	12	71%	18	69%	130	73%	132	76%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0%	1	3.8%	0	0%	3	1.7%
Further Studies	5	29%	5	19%	35	20%	27	16%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0%	2	7.7%	12	6.7%	6	3.5%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0%	0	0%	2	1.1%	5	2.9%

* HKU Overall refers to the figure for the HKU Research Postgraduate Programme graduates.

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III. Further Studies

5 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.
Medical Science	1
Science	1

No Response = 3

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Scholarship+Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	3

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	45%	29%
June	45%	29%
July	55%	41%
August	55%	47%
September	82%	65%
October	91%	71%
November	91%	82%
December	100%	100%

No Response = 1

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V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates responded to the survey were employed in Educational Institutions.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2003	2002
Educational Institutions	100%	67%
Commerce & Industry	0.0%	33%

No Response = 1

VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	MPhil (Faculty of Medicine)		HKU Average*		MPhil (Faculty of Medicine)		HKU Average*	
	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002
Mean	\$15,760	\$16,159	\$18,729	\$17,936	\$15,760	\$16,726	\$18,991	\$18,460
Median	\$15,000	\$16,000	\$17,000	\$16,050	\$15,000	\$16,750	\$17,100	\$16,359
Minimum	\$14,000	\$12,500	\$6,000	\$9,000	\$14,000	\$12,500	\$6,000	\$9,000
Maximum	\$19,000	\$25,000	\$95,833	\$70,000	\$19,000	\$27,083	\$95,833	\$90,000

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	4 (36%)
Two	5 (45%)
Three	2 (18%)

No Response = 1

VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Educational Institutions -	
- Holing Secondary School	- Teacher
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	- Research Associate
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Centre on Behavioral Health	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Medicine	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Medicine	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Institute of Molecular Biology	- Research Assistant
Others -	
- Organization's name not reported	- Research Assistant

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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