

# Where did the 2004 Bachelor of Laws graduates go?



Careers Education and Placement Centre

## I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2004 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Laws 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 2004

Of the 141 graduates from this programme, 127 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	LLB				HKU Overall*			
	2004		2003		2004		2003	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	127	100%	135	100%	2361	100%	2364	100%
<b>Employed</b>	20	16%	20	15%	1787	76%	1712	72%
<b>Unemployed seeking F/T job</b>	0	0%	0	0%	15	0.6%	7	0.3%
<b>Further Studies</b>	107	84%	114	84%	531	22%	625	26%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	0	0%	0	0%	7	0.3%	3	0.1%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	0	0%	1	0.7%	21	0.9%	17	0.7%

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### III. Further Studies

107 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)	Postgraduate Certificate
Arts	1	-
Education	-	1
Law	-	103

No Response = 2

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Full Scholarship	4
Own Funds	86
Government Grant + Loan	12
Scholarship + Own Funds	1

No Response = 4

### 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	
	2004	2003
May or before	47%	44%
June	53%	67%
July	65%	67%
August	76%	83%
September	88%	94%
October	94%	100%
November	100%	100%

No Response = 1

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### V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Bachelor of Laws graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in the Civil Service.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2004	2003
Commerce & Industry	88%	67%
Civil Service	13%	17%
Community, Social & Personal Services	0%	17%

No Response = 2

### VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Bachelor of Laws graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	LLB		HKU Average*		LLB		HKU Average*	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
<b>Mean</b>	\$16,851	\$11,013	\$12,550	\$12,545	\$18,500	\$11,279	\$13,374	\$13,470
<b>Median</b>	\$14,500	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$9,500	\$15,125	\$10,617	\$10,292	\$10,000
<b>Minimum</b>	\$7,000	\$8,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$7,583	\$8,000	\$3,500	\$3,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$35,000	\$16,095	\$55,000	\$60,000	\$51,000	\$16,095	\$62,500	\$60,000

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### VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Bachelor of Laws graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	5 (31%)
Two	5 (31%)
Three	5 (31%)
Five	1 (6.3%)

No Response = 2

### VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Laws 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>	
- HKSARG	- Administrative Officer
- HKSARG - Housing Planning and Lands Bureau	- Assistant Secretary
<b>Commerce and Industry -</b>	
- Bank of America (Asia) Ltd	- Graduate Trainee
- Barclays Capital	- Analyst
- Best Surveying	- Clerk
- Cathay Pacific Airways	- Flight Attendant
- Cathay Pacific Airways	- Management Trainee
- Compliance Consultants Ltd	- Compliance Officer Trainee
- Hong Kong Commercial Broadcasting Co Ltd	- Programme Assistant
- HSBC	- Management Trainee
- HSBC	- Management Trainee
- Merrill Lynch (Asia Pacific) Limited	- Analyst
- PCCW	- Accounts Manager
- PricewaterhouseCoopers	- Associate
- PricewaterhouseCoopers	- Tax Associate
- South China Morning Post	- Management Trainee

No Response = 2

Note: Some of the 2004 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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