

Where did the 2004 Master of Architecture graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2004 to answer the following questions about Master of Architecture 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 53 graduates from this programme, 45 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MArch				HKU Overall*			
	2004		2003		2004		2003	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	45	100%	48	100%	707	100%	690	100%
Employed	41	91%	47	98%	642	91%	605	88%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0%	0	0%	8	1.1%	9	1.3%
Further Studies	4	8.9%	0	0%	30	4.2%	51	7.4%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0%	0	0%	14	2.0%	8	1.2%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0%	1	2.1%	13	1.8%	17	2.5%

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III. Further Studies

4 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)	Bachelor's Degree
Architecture	1	-
Law	-	1
Others	1	-

No Response = 1

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

No Response = 1

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	6.5%	2.3%
June	42%	26%
July	68%	60%
August	84%	79%
September	97%	93%
October	100%	98%
November	100%	98%
December	100%	100%

No Response = 10

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V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Master of Architecture graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Educational Institutions.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2004	2003
Commerce & Industry	97%	86%
Educational Institutions	2.8%	2.3%
Civil Service	0%	12%

No Response = 5

VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

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

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	MArch		HKU Average*		MArch		HKU Average*	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
Mean	\$14,788	\$13,579	\$16,731	\$16,502	\$15,058	\$13,746	\$17,063	\$16,825
Median	\$15,000	\$13,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$13,000	\$15,000	\$16,000
Minimum	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$6,000	\$3,900	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$6,000	\$3,900
Maximum	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$100,000	\$85,000	\$18,417	\$18,000	\$100,000	\$92,083

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	8 (24%)
Two	16 (47%)
Three	5 (15%)
Four	4 (12%)
Five	1 (2.9%)

No Response = 7

VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Master of Architecture graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Educational Institutions -	
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
Commerce and Industry -	
- AEDAS (HK) Ltd	- Architect Assistant
- AEDAS (HK) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- AEDAS (HK) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- AEDAS (HK) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- AEDAS (HK) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- AEDAS (HK) Ltd	- Architectural Graduate
- AGC Design Ltd	- Architectural Officer
- Associated Architects Limited	- Project Administrator
- CYS Associates (Hong Kong) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- David S.K. Au & Associates Limited	- Architectural Graduate
- David S.K. Au & Associates Limited	- Graduate Assistant

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- K&K Associates	- Assistant Architect
- KSR Architects (UK)	- Architectural Assistant
- Leigh & Orange Ltd	- Assistant Project Designer
- Leigh & Orange Ltd	- Assistant Project Designer
- Leigh & Orange Ltd	- Assistant Project Designer
- Lundstrom & Associates Architects (USA)	- Designer
- Ma Leung & Associates (HK) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- Planning Services International (Asia) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- Scental	- Merchandiser
- Simon Kwan & Associates Ltd.	- Project Designer
- WCWP International Limited	- Architectural Executive
- Wong & Ouyang (HK) Ltd.	- Architectural Designer
- Wong & Ouyung (HK) Ltd	- Architectural Designer
- Wong Tung & Partners Ltd	- Architect
- Wong Tung & Partners Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- Wong Tung & Partners Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- Wong Tung & Partners Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architect Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Designer
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Designer
- Organization's name not reported	- Architecture Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architecture Assistant
Others -	
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Graduate

No Response = 1

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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