

Where did the 2004 Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) 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 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 2004

Of the 40 graduates from this programme, 33 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MPhil (Faculty of Medicine)				HKU Overall*			
	2004		2003		2004		2003	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	33	100%	17	100%	271	100%	179	100%
Employed	22	67%	12	71%	177	65%	130	73%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0%	0	0%	4	1.5%	0	0%
Further Studies	8	24%	5	29%	43	16%	35	20%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	3	9.1%	0	0%	34	13%	12	6.7%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0%	0	0%	13	4.8%	2	1.1%

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III. Further Studies

8 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.	Others
Medical Science	6	1

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	35%	45%
June	50%	45%
July	55%	55%
August	60%	55%
September	75%	82%
October	80%	91%
November	80%	91%
December	100%	100%

No Response = 2

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V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates were employed in Educational Institutions, while others were employed in Commerce & Industry and Community, Social & Personal Services.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2004	2003
Educational Institutions	76%	100%
Commerce & Industry	19%	0%
Community, Social & Personal Services	4.8%	0%

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*	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
Mean	\$13,073	\$15,760	\$15,861	\$18,729	\$13,217	\$15,760	\$16,096	\$18,991
Median	\$13,967	\$15,000	\$14,000	\$17,000	\$13,967	\$15,000	\$14,600	\$17,100
Minimum	\$6,000	\$14,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$14,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Maximum	\$17,000	\$19,000	\$60,000	\$95,833	\$17,000	\$19,000	\$60,000	\$95,833

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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	9 (45%)
Two	7 (35%)
Three	1 (5.0%)
Four	2 (10%)
Five	1 (5.0%)

No Response = 2

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 -	
- Buddhist Sin Tak College	- Teacher
- Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education	- Teaching Assistant
- Internation Christian Quality Music Secondary & Primary School	- Teacher
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong - Department of Sport Science & Physical Education	- 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	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Biochemistry	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Microbiology	- Technical Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Nursing	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Pharmacology	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Institute of Molecular Biology	- Research Assistant

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Community, Social and Personal Services -

- Hospital Authority
- Project Officer

Commerce and Industry -

- Ernst & Young (HK)
- GlaxoSmithKline Hong Kong
- Merck Sharp & Dohme Limited
- The Pilgrim (Asia Pacific) Limited
- Staff Accountant
- Medical Service Associate
- Management Specialist
- Sourcing and Production Assistant

Others -

- Organization's name not reported
- Clinical Researcher

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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