

Where did the 2006 Architectural Studies graduates go?



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I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2006 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Arts in Architectural Studies 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 2006

Of the 63 graduates from this programme, 57 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

| | BA(ArchStud) | | | | HKU Overall* | | | |
|---|--------------|------|------|------|--------------|------|------|------|
| | 2006 | | 2005 | | 2006 | | 2005 | |
| | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % |
| No. of respondents | 57 | 100% | 57 | 100% | 2561 | 100% | 2273 | 100% |
| Employed | 53 | 93% | 55 | 96% | 2031 | 79% | 1786 | 79% |
| Unemployed seeking F/T job | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0% | 5 | 0.2% | 12 | 1% |
| Further Studies | 4 | 7.0% | 2 | 4% | 513 | 20% | 457 | 20% |
| Emigrated/Returned to home country | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0% | 4 | 0.2% | 2 | 0% |
| Not seeking F/T job | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0% | 8 | 0.3% | 16 | 1% |

* HKU Overall refers to the figure for the total HKU population and includes M.B.,B.S. and B.D.S. graduates.

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III. Further Studies

Since the number of respondents is smaller than 5, these information are withheld to protect privacy of the respondent(s).

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 | |
|---------------|--|------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| May or before | 5.9% | 12% |
| June | 45% | 57% |
| July | 78% | 86% |
| August | 92% | 94% |
| September | 98% | 98% |
| October | 98% | 100% |
| November | 100% | 100% |
| December | 100% | 100% |
| January | 100% | 100% |
| February | 100% | 100% |

No Response = 2

V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Architectural Studies graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Community, Social & Personal Services and the Civil Service.

| Sector | % of graduates | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Commerce & Industry | 92% | 96% |
| Community, Social & Personal Services | 5.9% | 2.0% |
| Civil Service | 2.0% | 2.0% |

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VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Architectural Studies graduates is shown below.

| | Basic Salary | | | | Gross Income | | | |
|----------------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | BA(ArchStud) | | HKU Average* | | BA(ArchStud) | | HKU Average* | |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Mean | \$12,174 | \$11,000 | \$14,548 | \$13,322 | \$12,393 | \$11,156 | \$15,226 | \$14,121 |
| Median | \$12,000 | \$10,000 | \$11,500 | \$10,250 | \$12,000 | \$10,750 | \$12,111 | \$11,050 |
| Minimum | \$10,000 | \$8,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,400 | \$10,000 | \$8,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,500 |
| Maximum | \$17,000 | \$20,000 | \$75,000 | \$67,000 | \$17,000 | \$20,000 | \$95,000 | \$74,443 |

* HKU Average refers to the figure for the total HKU population and includes M.B., B.S. and B.D.S. graduates.

VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Architectural Studies graduates is shown in the following table.

| No. of job offers received | No. of graduates (% of graduates) |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| One | 21 (42%) |
| Two | 16 (32%) |
| Three | 7 (14%) |
| Four | 2 (4.0%) |
| Five | 4 (8.0%) |

No Response = 3



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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Arts in Architectural Studies graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

| <u>Employers</u> | <u>Job Titles</u> |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Civil Service - | |
| - Airport Authority Hong Kong | - Architectural Assistant |
| Community, Social and Personal Services - | |
| - Esprit Regional Services Ltd | - Interior Designer |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Designer |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Sales Executive |
| Commerce and Industry - | |
| - A&T Design Limited | - Architectural Assistant (Year-out) |
| - A&T Design Limited | - Architectural Year-out Trainee |
| - Aedas Limited | - Architectural Graduate |
| - Aedas Limited | - Architectural Graduate |
| - Aedas Limited | - Architectural Graduate (Year-out) |
| - Aedas Limited | - Architectural Graduate (Year-out) |
| - AGC Design Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - AGC Design Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Andrew Lee King Fun & Associate Architects Limited | - Year-out Trainee |
| - Andrew Lee King Sun & Associate Architects Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Architecture Design & Research Group Ltd | - Architecture Assistant |
| - Architecture Design & Research Group Ltd | - Architecture Assistant |
| - Associated Architecture | - Architectural Assistant |
| - ATC Design Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Chau State Ku & Leung Archi Ltd | - Year-out Trainee |
| - Cheung Kong Holdings Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Cheung Kong Holdings Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - CHIH Design | - Assistant Architect |
| - Chow Koo and Leung architectural and Engineer Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Chow Koo and Leung Architectural and Engineer Ltd | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Compass Studio Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - David Walker Architects Ltd | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Design Consultant Limited | - Architectural Designer |
| - EGC Design Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Fimonwong Design Company Limited | - Assistant Interior Designer |
| - Ho and Partner | - Year-out Trainee |
| - Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates (International) PA | - Architect Assistant |
| - Lee Jing Sun Associate Architect Limited | - Architectural Trainee |
| - Leigh and Orange Architect Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Leigh and Orange Architect Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Leigh and Orange Architect Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Ly Wong Architect and Associate Limited | - Assistant Architect |
| - MLA Architects (HK) Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Planning Services International (Asia) Ltd. | - Year-out Trainee |



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| | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| - PricewaterhouseCoopers | - Associate |
| - Rocco Design Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Rocco Design Limited | - Architectural Trainee |
| - Tang Javian Chi hang | - Architectural Graduate (Year-out) |
| - The Hong Kong Institute of Architects | - Project Officer |
| - Thoma Chow Architects Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - Thoma Chow Architects Limited | - Assistant Architect |
| - WCWP International Limited | - Architectural Assistant |
| - WCWP International Limited | - Year-out Architectural Assistant |
| - Wing Hang Credit Limited | - Officer |
| - WMKY Limited | - Year- out Architectural Assistant |
| - Wong, Tung & Partners Ltd | - Architecture Assistant |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Assistant |

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Note: Some of the 2006 graduates indicated willingness to talk to individual students about their work. Contact numbers can be obtained from counsellors at the CEDARS.

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