

Where did the 2006 Computer Science and Information Systems graduates go?



I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2006 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Information Systems 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 32 graduates from this programme, 31 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BSc(CSIS)				HKU Overall*			
	2006		2005		2006		2005	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	31	100%	51	100%	2561	100%	2273	100%
Employed	29	94%	47	92%	2031	79%	1786	79%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	0	0%	5	0.2%	12	1%
Further Studies	2	6.5%	4	8%	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.

III. Further Studies

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

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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	50%	29%
June	71%	56%
July	79%	78%
August	88%	91%
September	96%	93%
October	100%	100%
November	100%	100%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 5

V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Computer Science and Information Systems graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Community, Social & Personal Services, Educational Institutions and the Civil Service.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2006	2005
Commerce & Industry	58%	95%
Community, Social & Personal Services	25%	0.0%
Educational Institutions	13%	0.0%
Civil Service	4.2%	4.9%

No Response = 5



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VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Information Systems graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BSc(CSIS)		HKU Average*		BSc(CSIS)		HKU Average*	
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005
Mean	\$11,790	\$10,965	\$14,548	\$13,322	\$12,368	\$11,359	\$15,226	\$14,121
Median	\$12,000	\$11,000	\$11,500	\$10,250	\$12,932	\$11,188	\$12,111	\$11,050
Minimum	\$7,000	\$7,600	\$5,000	\$5,400	\$7,000	\$8,000	\$5,000	\$5,500
Maximum	\$17,000	\$17,000	\$75,000	\$67,000	\$18,417	\$18,417	\$95,000	\$74,443

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Computer Science and Information Systems graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	12 (50%)
Two	8 (33%)
Three	2 (8.3%)
Four	1 (4.2%)
Eight or more	1 (4%)

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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Information Systems graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Civil Service -	
- Hong Kong Observatory	- Programmer
Educational Institutions -	
- Department of Computer Sciences, The University of Hong Kong	- Assistant Research Engineer
- Department of Computer Sciences, The University of Hong Kong	- IT Instructor
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- Droad learning	- Programmer
- Emacsian	- IT Administrator
- Magma Design Automation	- Consultant
- Sedna System	- Java Programmer
- The Hong Kong Computer Society	- Project Officer
- Organization's name not reported	- Associate Software Engineer
Commerce and Industry -	
- Artificial Life, Inc.	- Programmer
- Azeus Systems Limited	- Junior Associate
- Citibank	- Marketing Officer
- Hang Seng Bank Limited	- IT Officer
- Hang Seng Bank Limited	- IT Officer
- Hang Seng Bank Limited	- IT Officer
- HSBC	- Programmer
- HSBC	- Purchasing Assistant
- IBM China/Hong Kong Limited	- I/T Specialist Trainee
- Info Master	- Programmer
- Royalblue Financial Limited	- Software Support Analyst
- Sap Hong Kong Limited	- Consultant Trainee
- Wing Lung Bank Ltd	- Programmer Trainee
- Organization's name not reported	- IT Auditor
Others -	
- Organization's name not reported	- IT Support

No Response = 4

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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