

Where did the 2006 Master of Journalism graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2006 to answer the following questions about Master of Journalism graduates:-

- How many were employed six months after graduation?
- 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 18 graduates from this programme, 7 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MJ		HKU Overall*	
	2006		2006	
	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	7	100%	754	100%
Employed	7	100%	681	90%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	9	1.2%
Further Studies	0	0.0%	46	6.1%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0.0%	6	0.8%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	12	1.6%

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III 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	
May or before	25%	
June	25%	
July	50%	
August	75%	
September	100%	
October	100%	
November	100%	
December	100%	
January	100%	
February	100%	

No Response = 2

IV Employment Sectors

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

Sector	% of graduates	
	2006	
Commerce & Industry	83%	
Civil Service	17%	

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V Basic Salary and Gross Income

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

	Basic Salary		Gross Income	
	MJ	HKU Average*	MJ	HKU Average*
	2006	2006	2006	2006
Mean	\$11,800	\$19,020	\$12,233	\$19,238
Median	\$12,000	\$18,000	\$12,000	\$18,000
Minimum	\$10,000	\$8,000	\$10,000	\$8,400
Maximum	\$14,000	\$60,000	\$15,167	\$67,500

* HKU Average refers to the figure for the HKU Taught Postgraduate Programme graduates.

VI Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	1 (33%)
Two	1 (33%)
Three	1 (33%)

No Response = 3

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VII Names of Employers and Job Titles

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

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Civil Service -	
- Radio Television Hong Kong	- Reporter
Commerce and Industry -	
- Credit Suisse (Hong Kong) Limited	- Occupation's name not reported
- Phoneix Satellite TV	- Translator
- Sing Tao News Corporation	- Reporter
- The Standard	- Business Reporter
- Yazhou Magazine (Asia Weekly)	- Researcher

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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VIII. Similar information on graduates from other disciplines is available for reference in the Careers Library.
Please contact CEDARS for further details.

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