

## Where did the 2006 Doctor of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates go?

### I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2006 to answer the following questions about Doctor of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) 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 20 graduates from this programme, 12 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	PhD (Faculty of Arts)		HKU Overall*	
	2006		2006	
	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	12	100%	273	100%
<b>Employed</b>	11	92%	204	75%
<b>Unemployed seeking F/T job</b>	0	0.0%	3	1.1%
<b>Further Studies</b>	0	0.0%	37	14%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	1	8.3%	23	8.4%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	0	0.0%	6	2.2%

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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	38%	
July	50%	
August	50%	
September	75%	
October	75%	
November	88%	
December	88%	
January	88%	
February	100%	

No Response = 1

### IV Employment Sectors

The majority of Doctor of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates responded to the survey were employed in Educational Institutions.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2006	
Educational Institutions	100%	

No Response = 1

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### V Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Doctor of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary		Gross Income	
	PhD (Faculty of Arts)	HKU Average*	PhD (Faculty of Arts)	HKU Average*
	2006	2006	2006	2006
<b>Mean</b>	\$22,806	\$17,224	\$22,806	\$17,345
<b>Median</b>	\$22,500	\$15,000	\$22,500	\$15,000
<b>Minimum</b>	\$13,350	\$10,000	\$13,350	\$10,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$35,000	\$52,000	\$35,000	\$52,000

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

### VI Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Doctor of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	7 (88%)
Three	1 (13%)

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### VII Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Doctor of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
<b>Educational Institutions -</b>	
- City University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education	- Lecturer
- Hong Kong Polytechnic University	- Lecturer
- Hong Kong Shue Yan University	- Senior Lecturer
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong - Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Community College	- Lecturer
- The Hong Kong Institute of Education	- Teaching Fellow
- The University of Hong Kong	- Postdoctoral Fellow
- The University of Hong Kong	- Postdoctoral Fellow

No Response = 1

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.  
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