



Where did the 2006 Doctor of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) 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 Medicine) 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 42 graduates from this programme, 21 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	PhD (Faculty of Medicine)				HKU Overall*			
	2006		2005		2006		2005	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	21	100%	18	100%	273	100%	154	100%
Employed	17	81%	15	83%	204	75%	120	78%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	0	0%	3	1.1%	1	1%
Further Studies	0	0.0%	0	0%	37	14%	24	16%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	2	9.5%	3	17%	23	8.4%	7	5%
Not seeking F/T job	2	9.5%	0	0%	6	2.2%	2	1%

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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	2005
May or before	29%	42%
June	50%	58%
July	50%	58%
August	50%	67%
September	64%	67%
October	79%	75%
November	86%	83%
December	93%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 2

IV Employment Sectors

The majority of Doctor of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates were employed in Educational Institutions, while others were employed in Commerce & Industry.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2006	2005
Educational Institutions	92%	85%
Commerce & Industry	7.7%	7.7%
Civil Service	0.0%	7.7%

No Response = 3



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V Basic Salary and Gross Income

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

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	PhD (Faculty of Medicine)		HKU Average*		PhD (Faculty of Medicine)		HKU Average*	
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005
Mean	\$20,818	\$23,776	\$17,224	\$17,482	\$20,818	\$24,192	\$17,345	\$18,172
Median	\$20,000	\$26,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$26,000	\$15,000	\$15,795
Minimum	\$11,000	\$14,408	\$10,000	\$9,000	\$11,000	\$14,408	\$10,000	\$9,000
Maximum	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$52,000	\$40,000	\$30,000	\$34,000	\$52,000	\$43,333

* 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 Medicine) graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	10 (71%)
Two	3 (21%)
Four	1 (7.1%)

No Response = 2



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VII Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Doctor 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 -	
- Department of Anatomy, The University of Hong Kong	- Post-doctoral Fellow
- Department of Biochemistry, The University of Hong Kong	- Post-doctoral Fellow
- Department of Community Medicine, The University of Hong Kong	- Part Time Research Officer
- Faculty of Medicine - The University of Hong Kong	- PHD
- Imperial College	- Occupation's name not reported
- The University of Hong Kong	- Post Doctoral
- The University of Hong Kong	- Post Doctorate
- The University of Hong Kong	- Post Doctorate
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Associate
- The University of Hong Kong	- SRA
Commerce and Industry -	
- Roche Hong Kong Ltd	- Clinical Research Associate
Others -	
- Organization's name not reported	- Research Analyst

No Response = 2

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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