

## Where did the 2007 Bachelor of Cognitive Science graduates go?

### I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2007 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Cognitive Science 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 2007

Of the 21 graduates from this programme, 20 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BCogSc				HKU Overall*			
	2007		2006		2007		2006	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	20	100%	10	100%	2450	100%	2561	100%
<b>Employed</b>	16	80%	7	70%	1977	81%	2031	79%
<b>Unemployed seeking F/T job</b>	0	0.0%	0	0%	5	0.2%	5	0%
<b>Further Studies</b>	4	20%	3	30%	451	18%	513	20%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	0	0.0%	0	0%	3	0.1%	4	0%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	0	0.0%	0	0%	14	0.6%	8	0%

\* 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	
	2007	2006
May or before	25%	25%
June	25%	25%
July	25%	50%
August	33%	75%
September	67%	100%
October	83%	100%
November	92%	100%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 4

### V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Bachelor of Cognitive Science graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Educational Institutions and Community, Social & Personal Services.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2007	2006
Commerce & Industry	53%	20%
Educational Institutions	27%	20%
Community, Social & Personal Services	20%	60%

No Response = 1

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### VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Bachelor of Cognitive Science graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BCogSc		HKU Average*		BCogSc		HKU Average*	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
<b>Mean</b>	\$11,346	\$9,700	\$16,146	\$14,548	\$11,442	\$11,088	\$17,021	\$15,226
<b>Median</b>	\$11,000	\$9,500	\$12,000	\$11,500	\$11,250	\$10,275	\$13,000	\$12,111
<b>Minimum</b>	\$8,000	\$9,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$8,000	\$9,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$15,950	\$10,800	\$78,500	\$75,000	\$15,950	\$14,800	\$102,000	\$95,000

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### VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Bachelor of Cognitive Science graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	8 (62%)
Two	3 (23%)
Three	2 (15%)

No Response = 3

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### VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Cognitive Science 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>	
- Manulife Centre for Children with Specific Learning Disabilities, Hong Kong Polytechnic University	- Research Assistant
- Quarry Bay School	- Educational Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
<b>Community, Social and Personal Services -</b>	
- KC Education Limited	- Teacher
- Peak Courses Tutorial Centre	- Administrative Assistant
- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	- Refugee Status Determination (Protection) Clerk
<b>Commerce and Industry -</b>	
- ASM Automation Assembly Ltd.	- Computer Vision Engineer
- CITIC Ka Wah Bank Limited	- Management Trainee
- Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	- Web Migration Assistant
- HSBC	- Occupation's name not reported
- Manulife (International) Limited	- Administrator
- Synovate	- Reseracher
- The Wharf (Holdings) Limited	- Personnel Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Reporter

No Response = 1

Note: Some of the 2007 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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