

Where did the 2007 BEng(EComE) graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2007 to answer the following questions about BEng(EComE) 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 40 graduates from this programme, 38 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BEng(EComE)				HKU Overall*			
	2007		2006		2007		2006	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	38	100%	38	100%	2450	100%	2561	100%
Employed	31	82%	31	82%	1977	81%	2031	79%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	0	0%	5	0.2%	5	0%
Further Studies	6	16%	7	18%	451	18%	513	20%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0.0%	0	0%	3	0.1%	4	0%
Not seeking F/T job	1	2.6%	0	0%	14	0.6%	8	0%

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III. Further Studies

6 graduates proceeded to postgraduate studies. The tables below show the academic programmes that they pursued and their sources of funds.

Field of Study	Academic Programme		
	Ph.D.	M.Phil.	Master (Coursework)
Business Administration/Management	-	-	1
Electrical/Electronic Engineering	1	2	1
Medical Science	-	1	-

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Full Scholarship	1
Own Funds	2
Scholarship + Own Funds	1
Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	2

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	48%	41%
June	67%	56%
July	78%	78%
August	89%	89%
September	93%	89%
October	100%	96%
November	100%	100%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 2

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V. Employment Sectors

The majority of BEng(EComE) graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Community, Social & Personal Services and Educational Institutions.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2007	2006
Commerce & Industry	90%	70%
Community, Social & Personal Services	6.9%	30%
Educational Institutions	3.4%	0.0%

VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by BEng(EComE) graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BEng(EComE)		HKU Average*		BEng(EComE)		HKU Average*	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Mean	\$12,375	\$12,072	\$16,146	\$14,548	\$13,151	\$13,291	\$17,021	\$15,226
Median	\$12,000	\$11,000	\$12,000	\$11,500	\$13,000	\$12,833	\$13,000	\$12,111
Minimum	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$10,200	\$5,000	\$5,000
Maximum	\$16,000	\$18,500	\$78,500	\$75,000	\$18,333	\$20,167	\$102,000	\$95,000

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by BEng(EComE) graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	10 (38%)
Two	6 (23%)
Three	6 (23%)
Four	3 (12%)
Eight or more	1 (4%)

No Response = 3

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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of BEng(EComE) graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Educational Institutions -	
- The University of Hong Kong	- Technical Officer
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute Company Limited (ASTRI)	- Engineer
- Hong Kong Sanatorium and Hospital	- Electronic Technician
Commerce and Industry -	
- Asia Satellite Telecommunications Company Limited	- Trainee Satellite Control Engineer
- Asia Satellite Telecommunications Company Limited	- Occupation's name not reported
- Cathay Pacific Catering Services (H.K.) Ltd.	- Programmer
- Cyberworkshop Ltd	- Assistant Engineer
- FXCM Asia Limited	- Sales Associate
- Hong Kong Cable Television Limited	- Assistant Engineer
- Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- HSBC	- System Analyst / Programmer
- IBM China / Hong Kong Limited	- IT Specialist
- IBM China / Hong Kong Limited	- System Service Representative
- Intertek Testing Services Hong Kong Ltd	- Assistant Engineer
- KPMG	- Accountant
- PCCW	- Solution Executive
- PCCW	- Technical Officer
- PCCW	- Technical Officer
- PCCW - CASCADE Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- PCCW Solutions Limited	- Electronic Engineer
- PCCW Solutions Limited	- ICT Graduate Trainee
- PricewaterhouseCoopers	- Assurance Associate
- Sengital Limited	- Electronic Engineer
- Sincere State Technologies	- Programmer Trainee
- Sinotech Electronics Ltd.	- Engineer
- Syniverse Technologies Asia Pacific Limited	- Assistant Support Engineer
- The Bank of East Asia, Limited	- Senior Clerk
- The Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- Organization's name not reported	- Electronic Engineer

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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- IX.** 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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