

## Where did the 2007 Mechanical Engineering graduates go?

### I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2007 to answer the following questions about Mechanical Engineering 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 77 graduates from this programme, 73 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BEng(ME)				HKU Overall*			
	2007		2006		2007		2006	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	73	100%	60	100%	2450	100%	2561	100%
<b>Employed</b>	66	90%	50	83%	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>	7	9.6%	10	17%	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.

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### III. Further Studies

7 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		
	M.Phil.	Master (Coursework)	Postgraduate Certificate
Education	-	-	1
Mechanical Engineering	4	-	-
Science	-	1	-
Others	-	1	-

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

No Response = 1

### 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	21%	20%
June	39%	43%
July	52%	66%
August	75%	80%
September	88%	86%
October	89%	95%
November	93%	95%
December	93%	100%
January	93%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 10

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### V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Mechanical Engineering 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	97%	55%
Educational Institutions	1.7%	0.0%
Community, Social & Personal Services	1.7%	43%
Civil Service	0.0%	2.3%

No Response = 6

### VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Mechanical Engineering graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BEng(ME)		HKU Average*		BEng(ME)		HKU Average*	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
<b>Mean</b>	\$11,235	\$12,260	\$16,146	\$14,548	\$12,031	\$12,873	\$17,021	\$15,226
<b>Median</b>	\$10,100	\$10,200	\$12,000	\$11,500	\$11,000	\$10,833	\$13,000	\$12,111
<b>Minimum</b>	\$8,500	\$8,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$8,500	\$8,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$20,000	\$36,000	\$78,500	\$75,000	\$21,667	\$39,000	\$102,000	\$95,000

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

The number of job offers received by Mechanical Engineering graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	19 (33%)
Two	23 (40%)
Three	7 (12%)
Four	7 (12%)
Five	1 (1.8%)

No Response = 9

### VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Mechanical Engineering 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>	
- Organization's name not reported	- Teaching Assistant
<b>Community, Social and Personal Services -</b>	
- Modern Education	- Teaching Assistant
<b>Commerce and Industry -</b>	
- American International Assurance Company (Bermuda) Limited	- Financial Planner
- ASM Assembly Automation, Ltd.	- Mechanical Engineer
- ASM Assembly Automation, Ltd.	- Mechanical Engineer II
- ATAL Engineering Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- Bank of Communications	- Trainee
- BMW Concessionaires (HK) Ltd.	- Engineer Trainee
- Buried Utilities Damage Avoidance Engineers & Consultants Limited	- Assistant Engineer
- Carrier Hong Kong Ltd	- Engineer Trainee
- Cathay Pacific Airways Limited	- Engineer Trainee
- Chun Wo Construction and Engineering Company Limited	- Occupation's name not reported
- Cyber World Creations Limited	- Sales Engineer
- Dah Chong Hong (Motor Service Centre) Limited	- Engineer Trainee
- Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	- Audit Associate

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- Dextra Pacific Limited	- Sales Engineer
- Edwin McAuley Electronics Limited	- Mechanical Engineer
- Ernst and Young	- Staff Accountant
- Expeditors Hong Kong Limited	- Operations Executive
- Great Success Healthcare Co. (Asia) Limited	- Sales Engineer
- Hantec Investment Holdings Limited	- Finance Consultant
- Hitachi Elevator Engineering Company (Hong Kong) Limited	- Assistant Engineer
- Hong Kong Aero Engine Services Limited	- Engineering Graduate Trainee
- Hong Kong Aero Engine Services Limited	- Technologist
- Hong Kong Aero Engine Services Limited	- Trainee
- Hong Kong Air Cargo Terminals Limited	- Supervisor Trainee
- Hong Kong Aircraft Engineering Company Limited	- Aircraft Maintenance Craftsman Trainee
- Hong Kong Aircraft Engineering Company Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- Hopewell Holdings Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- HSBC	- Assistant Division Manager
- HSBC	- Customer Service Officer
- HSBC	- Customer Service Officer
- HSBC	- Financial Services Officer
- Kai Shing Management Services Ltd.	- Engineering Graduate Trainee
- LANXESS Hong Kong Limited	- Technical Assistant
- Mason Industries (Hong Kong) Limited	- Assistant Engineer
- Meadville Enterprises (HK) Limited	- Customer Service Officer
- Meinhardt Group	- Engineer
- Merrill Lynch (Asia Pacific) Limited	- Operation Assistant
- MTR Corporation Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- Nixon Technology Company Limited	- Assistant Engineer
- Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited	- Graduate Engineer
- Parsons Brinckerhoff (Asia) Limited	- Assistant Engineer
- PCCW	- Commercial Salesman
- PricewaterhouseCoopers	- Associate
- Prudential Assurance Co. Ltd. (Hong Kong)	- Insurance Consultant
- Ryoden Engineering Company Limited	- Assistant Engineer
- Safety Accident And Failure Experts Ltd.	- Assistant Engineer
- SAP Hong Kong	- Associate Consultant
- SAP Hong Kong	- Associate Consultant
- Schindler Lifts (HK) Ltd.	- Sales Engineer Trainee
- Shinryo (Hong Kong) Limited	- Engineer Trainee
- Sound Innovation Development Ltd	- Assistant Mechanical Engineer
- Sumitomo Electric Interconnect Products, Inc.	- Salesman
- The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- Triangle Motors Limited	- Sales Engineer
- Wilson Acoustics Ltd	- Trainee
- Organization's name not reported	- Assistant Engineer
- Organization's name not reported	- Marketing Engineer
- Organization's name not reported	- Sales Engineer

No Response = 6

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.

## Where did the 2007 Mechanical Engineering graduates go?

- 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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