

Where did the 2007 Bachelor of Laws 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 Laws 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 89 graduates from this programme, 81 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	LLB				HKU Overall*			
	2007		2006		2007		2006	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	81	100%	161	100%	2450	100%	2561	100%
Employed	26	32%	55	34%	1977	81%	2031	79%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	0	0%	5	0.2%	5	0%
Further Studies	55	68%	105	65%	451	18%	513	20%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0.0%	1	1%	3	0.1%	4	0%
Not seeking F/T job	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

55 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	
	Master (Coursework)	Postgraduate Certificate
Law	-	53
Social Sciences	1	-

No Response = 1

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Full Scholarship	7
Own Funds	33
Government Grant + Loan	5
Scholarship + Own Funds	10

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	16%	34%
June	32%	47%
July	47%	49%
August	47%	62%
September	58%	74%
October	58%	85%
November	58%	87%
December	84%	89%
January	95%	94%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 6

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V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Bachelor of Laws graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in the Civil Service.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2007	2006
Commerce & Industry	81%	75%
Civil Service	19%	13%
Educational Institutions	0.0%	2.1%
Community, Social & Personal Services	0.0%	10%

No Response = 4

VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Bachelor of Laws graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	LLB		HKU Average*		LLB		HKU Average*	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Mean	\$19,287	\$12,039	\$16,146	\$14,548	\$21,738	\$12,378	\$17,021	\$15,226
Median	\$13,500	\$11,000	\$12,000	\$11,500	\$16,858	\$11,000	\$13,000	\$12,111
Minimum	\$6,000	\$7,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$7,917	\$5,000	\$5,000
Maximum	\$48,000	\$25,480	\$78,500	\$75,000	\$48,000	\$25,480	\$102,000	\$95,000

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	4 (21%)
Two	6 (32%)
Three	4 (21%)
Four	4 (21%)
Five	1 (5.3%)

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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Laws graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Civil Service -	
- Environmental Protection Department	- Prosecution Assistant
- HKSAR Government	- Administrative Officer
- Labour and Welfare Bureau	- Administrative Officer
Commerce and Industry -	
- Deutsche Bank AG	- Analyst
- Deutsche Bank AG	- Analyst
- Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C.	- Analyst
- Hang Seng Bank Limited	- Management Trainee
- JPMorgan	- Finance Management Trainee
- KPMG	- Associate
- N M Rothschild & Sons (Hong Kong) Limited	- Analyst
- NWS Transportation Services Limited	- Engineering Graduate Trainee
- Ogilvy Public Relations Worldwide	- Account Executive
- PricewaterhouseCoopers	- Associate
- PricewaterhouseCoopers	- Audit Associate
- Shanghai Commercial Bank Ltd.	- Graduate Trainee
- Shanghai Commercial Bank Ltd.	- Trainee
- Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited	- Operational Risk Officer
- Wocom Securities Limited	- Account Executive
- Wonderful Sky Financial Group Limited	- Marketing Officer

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.

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- IX.** Similar information on graduates from other disciplines is available for reference in the Careers Library.
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