



Where did the 2008 Architectural Studies graduates go?

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I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2008 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Arts in Architectural Studies 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 2008

Of the 62 graduates from this programme, 58 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BA(ArchStud)				HKU Overall*			
	2008		2007		2008		2007	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	58	100%	61	100%	2572	100%	2450	100%
Employed	56	97%	58	95%	2060	80%	1977	81%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	1	1.7%	0	0%	15	0.6%	5	0%
Further Studies	1	1.7%	3	5%	462	18%	451	18%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0.0%	0	0%	1	0.0%	3	0%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	0	0%	34	1.3%	14	1%

* 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	
	2008	2007
May or before	6.8%	14%
June	57%	57%
July	89%	86%
August	95%	96%
September	95%	98%
October	98%	98%
November	98%	98%
December	100%	98%
January	100%	98%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 11

V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Architectural Studies graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Educational Institutions and the Civil Service.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2008	2007
Commerce & Industry	96%	96%
Educational Institutions	2.0%	1.9%
Civil Service	2.0%	0.0%
Community, Social & Personal Services	0.0%	1.9%

No Response = 6



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VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Architectural Studies graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BA(ArchStud)		HKU Average*		BA(ArchStud)		HKU Average*	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Mean	\$16,936	\$14,565	\$18,142	\$16,146	\$17,051	\$14,713	\$18,755	\$17,021
Median	\$18,000	\$15,000	\$14,000	\$12,000	\$18,000	\$15,000	\$14,583	\$13,000
Minimum	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$6,450	\$5,000
Maximum	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$87,000	\$78,500	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$87,000	\$102,000

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Architectural Studies graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	26 (58%)
Two	11 (24%)
Three	5 (11%)
Four	2 (4.4%)
Five	1 (2.2%)

No Response = 10



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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

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

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Civil Service -	
- Airport Authority Hong Kong	- Architectural Assistant
Educational Institutions -	
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- Department of Architecture	
Commerce and Industry -	
- A & T Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- adidas AG	- Occupation's name not reported
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Graduate
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Graduate
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Graduate
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Graduate
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Graduate
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Graduate
- AGC Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- AGC Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- AGC Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- AGC Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- AGC Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- AGC Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Andrew Lee King Fun & Associates Architects Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Andrew Lee King Fun & Associates Architects Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Andrew Lee King Fun & Associates Architects Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Architecture Design and Research Group Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Asiacity Architects	- Architectural Assistant
- Barrie Ho Architecture Interiors Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- Benoy Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Benoy Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- CL3 Architects Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- David S. K. Au & Associates Ltd.	- Architectural Assistant



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- Dennis Lau & Ng Chun Man Architects & Engineers (H.K.) Ltd	- Architectural Trainee
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- Meta4 Design Forum	- Architectural Assistant
- Nelson Chen Architects Ltd.	- Architectural Assistant
- P&T Architects and Engineers Ltd.	- Architect
- RAD Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- RAD Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- RAD Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- RMJM	- Architectural Assistant
- Rocco Design Architects Limited	- Architectural Trainee
- Spiral Architectural Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Spiral Architectural Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Studio One Design Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Thomas Chow Architects Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- UrbanAge International Ltd, Architects	- Architectural Assistant
- y.i. & Associates Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Assistant

No Response = 7

Note: Some of the 2008 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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