

Where did the 2008 BEng(CompSc) graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2008 to answer the following questions about BEng(CompSc) 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 33 graduates from this programme, 30 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BEng(CompSc)				HKU Overall*			
	2008		2007		2008		2007	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	30	100%	11	100%	2572	100%	2450	100%
Employed	26	87%	10	91%	2060	80%	1977	81%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	1	9%	15	0.6%	5	0%
Further Studies	3	10%	0	0%	462	18%	451	18%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0.0%	0	0%	1	0.0%	3	0%
Not seeking F/T job	1	3.3%	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	52%	40%
June	67%	60%
July	76%	70%
August	86%	90%
September	90%	100%
October	100%	100%
November	100%	100%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 3

V. Employment Sectors

The majority of BEng(CompSc) graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Educational Institutions.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2008	2007
Commerce & Industry	90%	90%
Educational Institutions	10%	10%

No Response = 4

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VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

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

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BEng(CompSc)		HKU Average*		BEng(CompSc)		HKU Average*	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Mean	\$16,237	\$13,640	\$18,142	\$16,146	\$16,739	\$14,190	\$18,755	\$17,021
Median	\$13,150	\$12,450	\$14,000	\$12,000	\$14,000	\$13,000	\$14,583	\$13,000
Minimum	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$11,833	\$10,000	\$6,450	\$5,000
Maximum	\$40,000	\$25,000	\$87,000	\$78,500	\$40,000	\$26,667	\$87,000	\$102,000

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	9 (43%)
Two	5 (24%)
Three	3 (14%)
Four	2 (9.5%)
Five	1 (4.8%)
Eight or more	1 (5%)

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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of BEng(CompSc) 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 - School of Professional and Continuing Education (HKU SPACE)	- Assistant IT Officer
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Commerce and Industry -	
- Azeus Systems Limited (Hong Kong)	- Junior Associate
- Goldman Sachs Hong Kong	- Analyst
- Goldman Sachs Hong Kong	- Associate
- Hong Kong Broadband Network Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- IBM China/Hong Kong Limited	- Occupation's name not reported
- Kinetix Systems Limited	- Consultant Trainee
- M Bounce Ltd.	- Software Tester
- Morgan Stanley	- System Analyst
- Open Creative Limited	- Web Programmar
- Pacific Century Cyberworks Limited (PCCW) Solutions Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- Pacific Century Cyberworks Limited (PCCW) Solutions Limited	- Trainee
- theOrigo Ltd	- Web Programmer
- Unisys China/Hongkong Limited	- Developer
- Value Partners Limited	- Stock Analyst
- Verizon Hong Kong Limited	- Regional Operations Center Engineer
- Winet Ltd	- Programmer
- YesAsia.com (Hong Kong) Ltd	- Analyst Programmer
Others -	
- Organization's name not reported	- Analyst Programmer
- Organization's name not reported	- Software Engineer

No Response = 3

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.
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