

## Where did the 2008 Bachelor of Social Work graduates go?

### I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2008 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Social Work 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 40 graduates from this programme, 36 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BSW				HKU Overall*			
	2008		2007		2008		2007	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	36	100%	33	100%	2572	100%	2450	100%
<b>Employed</b>	35	97%	31	94%	2060	80%	1977	81%
<b>Unemployed seeking F/T job</b>	0	0.0%	0	0%	15	0.6%	5	0%
<b>Further Studies</b>	1	2.8%	2	6%	462	18%	451	18%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	0	0.0%	0	0%	1	0.0%	3	0%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	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	10%	27%
June	13%	31%
July	37%	42%
August	70%	81%
September	97%	88%
October	100%	100%
November	100%	100%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 4

### V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Bachelor of Social Work graduates were employed in Community, Social & Personal Services, while others were employed in Commerce & Industry and Educational Institutions.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2008	2007
Community, Social & Personal Services	90%	86%
Commerce & Industry	6.9%	11%
Educational Institutions	3.4%	0.0%
Civil Service	0.0%	3.6%

No Response = 5

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### VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Bachelor of Social Work graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BSW		HKU Average*		BSW		HKU Average*	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
<b>Mean</b>	\$15,959	\$18,641	\$18,142	\$16,146	\$16,265	\$18,660	\$18,755	\$17,021
<b>Median</b>	\$15,000	\$17,535	\$14,000	\$12,000	\$15,167	\$17,535	\$14,583	\$13,000
<b>Minimum</b>	\$11,500	\$12,000	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$12,667	\$12,000	\$6,450	\$5,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$21,880	\$50,000	\$87,000	\$78,500	\$21,880	\$50,000	\$87,000	\$102,000

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

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	14 (50%)
Two	9 (32%)
Three	2 (7.1%)
Four	3 (11%)

No Response = 6

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### VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Social Work 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>	
- Salvation Army Lam Butt Chung Memorial School	- Programme Worker
<b>Community, Social and Personal Services -</b>	
- Aberdeen Kai-fong Welfare Association Social Service Centre	- Social Worker
- Aberdeen Kai-fong Welfare Association Social Service Centre	- Social Worker
- Caritas Jockey Club Integrated Service for Young People - Cheung Chau	- Social Worker
- Children's Heart Foundation	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Christian Family Service Centre	- Social Worker
- Christian Family Service Centre	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Hong Kong Unison	- Project Officer
- International Social Service (ISS) Hong Kong Branch	- Social Worker
- Methodist Centre	- Registered Social Worker
- New Life Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association	- Social Worker
- Tai Po Baptist Church Social Service Centre	- Social Worker
- The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hong Kong	- Social Worker
- The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hong Kong (ELCHK) Tin Shui Wai Integrated Youth Service Centre	- Registered Social Worker
- The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups (HKFYG)	- Youth Officer
- The Samaritan Befrienders Hong Kong	- Social Service Officer
- The Society for AIDS Care	- Programme Officer
- Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong	- Assistant Social Work Officer
- Tung Wah Group of Hospitals	- Social Worker
- Tung Wah Group of Hospitals	- Social Worker
- TWGHs Jockey Club Shatin Integrated Services Centre	- Social Work Assistant
- TWGHs Tuen Mun Integrated Services Centre	- Social Worker II
- Yan Oi Tong	- Occupation's name not reported
- Young Women's Christian Association of Hong Kong	- Social Worker
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- Organization's name not reported	- Social Worker

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### Commerce and Industry -

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| - Intertek Testing Services Hong Kong Ltd. | - Customer Service Officer |
| - Manulife (International) Limited         | - Financial Advisory       |

### Others -

- |                                    |           |
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| - Organization's name not reported | - Trainee |
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No Response = 4

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.

## Where did the 2008 Bachelor of Social Work 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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