

## Where did the 2008 BSc(IM) graduates go?

### I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2008 to answer the following questions about BSc(IM) graduates :-

- How many were employed six months after graduation?
- 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 21 graduates from this programme, 17 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BSc(IM)				HKU Overall*			
	2008		2007		2008		2007	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	17	100%	18	100%	2572	100%	2450	100%
<b>Employed</b>	16	94%	16	89%	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>	0	0.0%	1	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>	1	5.9%	1	6%	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.

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### III 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	20%	29%
June	40%	43%
July	60%	71%
August	87%	86%
September	93%	93%
October	100%	93%
November	100%	100%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 1

### IV Employment Sectors

The majority of BSc(IM) graduates were employed in Commerce & Industry, while others were employed in Educational Institutions and the Civil Service.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2008	2007
Commerce & Industry	53%	75%
Educational Institutions	33%	6.3%
Civil Service	13%	19%

No Response = 1

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### V Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by BSc(IM) graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BSc(IM)		HKU Average*		BSc(IM)		HKU Average*	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
<b>Mean</b>	\$11,385	\$11,856	\$18,142	\$16,146	\$11,653	\$12,369	\$18,755	\$17,021
<b>Median</b>	\$11,743	\$10,500	\$14,000	\$12,000	\$11,868	\$11,345	\$14,583	\$13,000
<b>Minimum</b>	\$9,000	\$9,500	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$9,750	\$10,000	\$6,450	\$5,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$15,000	\$17,000	\$87,000	\$78,500	\$15,000	\$19,000	\$87,000	\$102,000

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### VI Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	8 (53%)
Two	4 (27%)
Three	2 (13%)
Six	1 (6.7%)

No Response = 1

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### VII Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of BSc(IM) graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
<b>Civil Service -</b>	
- HKSAR - Department of Health	- Administrative Assistant
- HKSAR - Hong Kong Police Force	- Police Communication Officer
<b>Educational Institutions -</b>	
- The Hong Kong Institute of Education	- Library Assistant II
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University - College of Professional and Continuing Education (CPCE)	- Library Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Libraries	- Library Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - School of Professional and Continuing Education (HKU SPACE)	- Executive Assistant II
- The University of Hong Kong - School of Professional and Continuing Education (HKU SPACE)	- Executive Assistant II
<b>Commerce and Industry -</b>	
- BMI Funds Management Limited	- Administrative Assistant
- Golden Harvest Entertainment Co. Ltd.	- Distribution Executive
- Kuehne + Nagel Inc	- Civil System Trainee
- Macquarie Group	- Associate
- Maunsell Consultants Asia Limited	- Secretary
- Pearson Education Asia Limited	- Project Assistant
- Qi Yuan Asset Management (HK) Ltd	- Operation Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Information Technologist

No Response = 1

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 BSc(IM) graduates go?

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