

## Where did the 2008 Bachelor of Social Sciences 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 Sciences 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 160 graduates from this programme, 145 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BSocSc				HKU Overall*			
	2008		2007		2008		2007	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	145	100%	136	100%	2572	100%	2450	100%
<b>Employed</b>	120	83%	118	87%	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>	24	17%	17	13%	462	18%	451	18%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	0	0.0%	1	1%	1	0.0%	3	0%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	1	0.7%	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.

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### III. Further Studies

24 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						
	<i>Ph.D.</i>	<i>M.Phil.</i>	<i>Master (Coursework)</i>	<i>Postgraduate Certificate</i>	<i>Bachelor's Degree</i>	<i>Advanced Diploma / Diploma</i>	<i>Others</i>
Business Administration/Management	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Education	-	-	1	5	-	1	-
Law	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Social Sciences	1	5	6	-	-	-	-

No Response = 2

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Full Scholarship	1
Own Funds	10
Scholarship+Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	1
Government Grant + Loan	3
Scholarship + Own Funds	4
Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	2

No Response = 3

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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	33%	21%
June	47%	41%
July	64%	62%
August	79%	75%
September	90%	88%
October	96%	95%
November	98%	97%
December	100%	97%
January	100%	98%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 18

### V. Employment Sectors

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

Sector	% of graduates	
	2008	2007
Commerce & Industry	66%	54%
Educational Institutions	15%	18%
Community, Social & Personal Services	13%	11%
Civil Service	6.1%	17%

No Response = 10

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### VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

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

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BSocSc		HKU Average*		BSocSc		HKU Average*	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
<b>Mean</b>	\$13,471	\$14,387	\$18,142	\$16,146	\$14,671	\$14,773	\$18,755	\$17,021
<b>Median</b>	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$14,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,967	\$14,583	\$13,000
<b>Minimum</b>	\$3,000	\$8,000	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$7,000	\$8,000	\$6,450	\$5,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$40,000	\$34,895	\$87,000	\$78,500	\$42,500	\$34,895	\$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 Sciences graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	39 (44%)
Two	22 (25%)
Three	21 (24%)
Four	5 (5.7%)
Five	1 (1.1%)

No Response = 21

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### VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Social Sciences 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>	
- Electoral Affairs Commission	- Occupation's name not reported
- HKSAR - Education Bureau	- Executive Assistant
- HKSAR - Hong Kong Police Force	- Police Inspector
- HKSAR - Social Welfare Department	- Executive Officer II
- HKSAR Government	- Occupation's name not reported
- HKSAR Government	- Occupation's name not reported
<b>Educational Institutions -</b>	
- Cannan Kindergarten	- Teacher
- Christian Alliance Louey Choy Kwan Lok Kindergarten	- English Teacher
- Good Hope School	- Assistant to the Principal
- The Hong Kong Institute of Education	- Research Assistant
- The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Assistant Executive
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Faculty of Education	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - School of Business	- Executive Assistant
- Vocational Training Council	- Graduate Trainee
- Wui Ching College	- Teacher
- Organization's name not reported	- Administrator
- Organization's name not reported	- Teacher
<b>Community, Social and Personal Services -</b>	
- Autism Partnership Foundation	- Programme Specialist
- Autism Partnership Foundation	- Teacher
- Baron School of Music	- Piano Teacher
- Community Drug Advisory Council	- Education Officer
- Edvenue Limited	- Trainer
- Heep Hong Society	- Project Officer
- HKSKH Lady MacLehose Centre	- Organizing Officer
- Hong Kong Management Association (HKMA)	- Executive Officer
- Hong Kong Red Cross	- Staff Officer
- Potential Development Association Ltd	- Child Development Tutor

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- The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups (HKFYG)	- Development Officer
- Organization's name not reported	- Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Research Assistant
<b>Commerce and Industry -</b>	
- A-1 Bakery Co., (HK) Ltd	- Trainee Human Resources Supervisor
- American International Assurance Company (Bermuda) Limited	- Financial Planner
- Aon Hong Kong Limited	- Human Resources Temp Clerk
- Asia Television Ltd.	- Programmer Officer
- ATICO International (HK) Limited	- Assistant Merchandizer
- Bloomberg L.P.	- Global Customer Support Representative
- Cathay Pacific Airways Limited	- Flight Attendant
- Cathay Pacific Airways Limited	- Flight Attendant
- China Central Television (CCTV)	- Intern Journalist
- China Cinda Asset Management Corporation	- Junior Officer
- China Construction Bank (Asia) Corporation Limited	- Management Trainee
- China Construction Bank (Asia) Corporation Limited	- Management Trainee
- CityLine (Hong Kong) Ltd	- Customer Service Representative
- Classroom Publications Limited	- Assistant English Editor
- Convoy Financial Services Limited	- Financial Consultant
- CSL Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited	- Management Trainee
- Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	- Tax Associate
- Eastern Gotech (HK) Ltd	- Marketing
- Ernst & Young	- Auditor
- Global Executive Consultants Ltd	- Human Resources Administrator
- Hang Lung Properties Limited	- Management Trainee
- Hong Yip Service Co. Ltd.	- Assistant Administration Officer
- Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited	- Management Trainee
- Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited	- Management Trainee
- Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited	- Self Finance Management Trainee
- Hutchison Global Communications Limited	- Account Executive
- Image Factory Limited	- Reporter
- International SOS (HK) Limited	- Customer Service
- Jardine OneSolution (JOS)	- Management Trainee
- Justmed Ltd	- Purchasing Assistant
- Kai Shing Management Services Ltd	- Property Officer Trainee
- Kelly Services Hong Kong Limited	- Associate Consultant
- KPMG	- Accountant
- KPMG	- Assistant Advisor
- KPMG	- Human Resources Officer
- KPMG	- Human Resources Officer
- Langham Hotels International	- Management Trainee
- Man Sang Jewellery Company Limited	- Sales Executive

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- Manulife (International) Limited	- Graduate Trainee
- Manulife Asset Management (Hong Kong) Limited	- Financial Consultant
- Ming Pao Newspapers Limited	- Reporter
- Oracle Added Value Hong Kong	- Research Executive
- Pacific Air Limited	- Executive
- Recruit Express Pte Ltd	- Recruitment Consultant
- Regal Printing Limited	- Customer Service Officer
- Satellite Television Asian Region Limited (Star TV)	- Human Resources Assistant
- Satellite Television Asian Region Limited (Star TV)	- Occupation's name not reported
- SKK (Hong Kong) Company Limited	- Sales Executive
- Société Générale	- Human Resources Assistant
- Sony Corporation of Hong Kong Limited	- Management Associate
- South Asia Kmitting Limited	- Merchandizing Trainee
- Synovate Limited	- Researcher
- Taylor Nelson Sofres Limited (TNS)	- Project Manager
- The Link Management Limited	- Research and Planning Assistant
- The Nielsen Company	- Client Service Executive
- The Prudential Assurance Co. Ltd	- Assistant Unit Manager
- The Prudential Assurance Co. Ltd	- Financial Consultant
- Universal McCann Hong Kong	- Interactive Media Executive
- Wai Lai Decoration Company	- Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Assistant Manager
- Organization's name not reported	- Clerk
- Organization's name not reported	- Consultant
- Organization's name not reported	- Owner
- Organization's name not reported	- Photographer
<b>Others -</b>	
- Organization's name not reported	- Sales Executive

No Response = 9

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 Sciences 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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