

Where did the 2008 Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery 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 Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery 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 169 graduates from this programme, 155 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MBBS				HKU Overall*			
	2008		2007		2008		2007	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	155	100%	109	100%	2572	100%	2450	100%
Employed	155	100%	109	100%	2060	80%	1977	81%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	0	0%	15	0.6%	5	0%
Further Studies	0	0.0%	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	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.

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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	21%	79%
June	30%	83%
July	94%	88%
August	94%	89%
September	98%	90%
October	98%	90%
November	99%	90%
December	99%	91%
January	99%	92%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 33

IV Employment Sectors

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

Sector	% of graduates	
	2008	2007
Community, Social & Personal Services	54%	64%
Civil Service	44%	36%
Educational Institutions	2.0%	0.0%
Commerce & Industry	0.7%	0.0%

No Response = 4

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V Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	MBBS		HKU Average*		MBBS		HKU Average*	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Mean	\$48,703	\$45,621	\$18,142	\$16,146	\$49,466	\$48,678	\$18,755	\$17,021
Median	\$50,000	\$47,000	\$14,000	\$12,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$14,583	\$13,000
Minimum	\$15,000	\$30,055	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$40,055	\$6,450	\$5,000
Maximum	\$87,000	\$78,500	\$87,000	\$78,500	\$87,000	\$78,500	\$87,000	\$102,000

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VI Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	53 (55%)
Two	28 (29%)
Three	10 (10%)
Four	3 (3.1%)
Five	2 (2.1%)
Eight or more	1 (1%)

No Response = 58

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