

Where did the 2008 Master of Architecture graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2008 to answer the following questions about Master of Architecture 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 61 graduates from this programme, 42 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MARCH				HKU Overall*			
	2008		2007		2008		2007	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	42	100%	54	100%	410	100%	357	100%
Employed	41	98%	52	96%	394	96%	328	92%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	1	2.4%	0	0%	1	0.2%	2	1%
Further Studies	0	0.0%	1	2%	10	2.4%	14	4%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0.0%	1	2%	1	0.2%	2	1%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	0	0%	4	1.0%	11	3%

* HKU Overall refers to the figure for the HKU Taught Postgraduate Programme 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	13%	13%
June	42%	37%
July	71%	74%
August	81%	93%
September	97%	96%
October	100%	98%
November	100%	98%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 10

IV Employment Sectors

The majority of Master of Architecture graduates responded to the survey were employed in Commerce & Industry.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2008	2007
Commerce & Industry	100%	98%
Community, Social & Personal Services	0.0%	2.1%

No Response = 4



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V Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Master of Architecture graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	MArch		HKU Average*		MArch		HKU Average*	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Mean	\$25,552	\$23,967	\$24,062	\$22,733	\$26,149	\$24,302	\$24,234	\$22,863
Median	\$26,000	\$25,000	\$23,000	\$21,000	\$26,000	\$25,000	\$23,000	\$21,000
Minimum	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$8,000	\$9,500	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$8,000	\$9,579
Maximum	\$35,000	\$29,000	\$80,000	\$50,000	\$37,500	\$30,000	\$80,000	\$52,500

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VI Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Master of Architecture graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	9 (39%)
Two	7 (30%)
Three	4 (17%)
Four	1 (4.3%)
Five	2 (8.7%)

No Response = 18

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VII Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Master of Architecture graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Commerce and Industry -	
- Aedas Limited	- Architect
- Aedas Limited	- Architect
- Aedas Limited	- Architect
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Aedas Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Chau Lam Architects & Associates Architects & Engineers (H.K.) Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- David S. K. Au & Associates Ltd.	- Architectural Assistant
- Dennis Lau & Ng Chun Man Architects & Engineers (H.K.) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
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- Dennis Lau & Ng Chun Man Architects & Engineers (H.K.) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- Integrated Design Associates Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Lu Tang Lai Architects Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- P&T Architects and Engineers Ltd.	- Architectural Graduate
- P&T Architects and Engineers Ltd.	- Architectural Graduate
- P&T Architects and Engineers Ltd.	- Graduate Architect
- P&T Architects and Engineers Ltd.	- Graduate Architect
- P&T Architects and Engineers Ltd.	- Graduate Architect
- P&T Architects and Engineers Ltd.	- Occupation's name not reported
- Ronald Lu and Partners (Hong Kong) Ltd	- Architectural Assistant
- Studio One Design Limited	- Occupation's name not reported
- WDA Group Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Wong & Ouyang (HK) Ltd.	- Architect
- Wong Tung & Partners Limited	- Architectural Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Architect
- Organization's name not reported	- Architectural Assistant

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| - Organization's name not reported | - Architectural Designer |
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| - Organization's name not reported | - Designer |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Researcher |

No Response = 8

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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VIII. 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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