

Where did the 2008 Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) 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 Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) 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 79 graduates from this programme, 62 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MPhil (Faculty of Medicine)				HKU Overall*			
	2008		2007		2008		2007	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	62	100%	34	100%	402	100%	315	100%
Employed	45	73%	22	65%	347	86%	262	83%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	1	1.6%	1	3%	1	0.2%	1	0%
Further Studies	16	26%	10	29%	42	10%	35	11%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0.0%	0	0%	6	1.5%	8	3%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	1	3%	6	1.5%	9	3%

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III. Further Studies

16 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		
	Ph.D.	Bachelor's Degree	Others
Business Administration/Management	-	-	1
Mechanical Engineering	1	-	-
Medical Science	10	1	-
Science	2	-	-

No Response = 1

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Scholarship+Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	13

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	29%	25%
June	32%	30%
July	54%	35%
August	68%	50%
September	82%	70%
October	82%	85%
November	82%	95%
December	93%	95%
January	96%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 17

V. Employment Sectors

The majority of Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates were employed in Educational Institutions, while others were employed in Commerce & Industry, Community, Social & Personal Services and the Civil Service.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2008	2007
Educational Institutions	37%	45%
Commerce & Industry	32%	27%
Community, Social & Personal Services	24%	23%
Civil Service	7.9%	4.5%

No Response = 7

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VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	MPhil (Faculty of Medicine)		HKU Average*		MPhil (Faculty of Medicine)		HKU Average*	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Mean	\$19,328	\$14,939	\$21,179	\$19,551	\$19,852	\$16,167	\$21,791	\$20,264
Median	\$16,000	\$13,580	\$20,000	\$18,000	\$16,000	\$14,000	\$20,000	\$18,900
Minimum	\$10,000	\$11,185	\$10,000	\$9,500	\$10,000	\$12,000	\$10,000	\$9,500
Maximum	\$50,000	\$29,715	\$78,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$29,715	\$100,000	\$60,000

* HKU Average refers to the figure for the HKU Research Postgraduate Programme graduates.

VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	10 (37%)
Two	10 (37%)
Three	7 (26%)

No Response = 18

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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Medicine) graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Civil Service -	
- HKSAR Government	- Executive Officer
- Hospital Authority	- Hospital Administrator II
- Hospital Authority	- Resident Officer
Educational Institutions -	
- Cheung Chuk Shan College	- Teacher
- Po Leung Kuk Laws Foundation College	- Teacher
- Sir Ellis Kadoorie Secondary School (West Kowloon)	- Teacher
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong	- Technician
- The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong	- Assistant Research Officer
- 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	- Occupation's name not reported
- The University of Hong Kong - Department of Medicine	- Research Assistant
- The University of Hong Kong - Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine	- Research Assistant
- Organization's name not reported	- Graduate Master
- Organization's name not reported	- Teacher
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- Beijing Children's Hospital	- Doctor
- Hong Kong Jockey Club Institute of Chinese Medicine (HKJCICM)	- Assistant Project Manager
- Hong Kong People's Council for Sustainable Development	- Project Officer
- Merck Sharp & Dohme (Asia) Ltd.	- Product Manager
- Queen Mary Hospital	- Resident Officer
- Roche (China) Ltd.	- Occupation's name not reported
- Organization's name not reported	- Dentist
- Organization's name not reported	- Educator
- Organization's name not reported	- Registered Nurse

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Commerce and Industry -

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| - American Express International, Inc. | - Sales Associate |
| - Applied Biosystems Inc | - Engineer |
| - Arrow Asia Pac Ltd | - Sale Specialist |
| - Asia Act Property Consultant Co Ltd | - Assistant Branch Manager |
| - Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu | - Audit Associate |
| - Ferring Pharmaceuticals | - Regulatory Affairs Associate |
| - KPMG | - Accountant |
| - KPMG | - Auditor |
| - New a-IKOR Limited | - Quality Control Technician |
| - Prism Technologies Limited | - Product Specialist |
| - World Scientific Publishing (HK) Co. Ltd. | - Sales Manager |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Resident Officer |

No Response = 7

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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