

Where did the 2005 Mathematics, Economics and Finance graduates go?



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I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2005 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Science in Mathematics, Economics and Finance 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?

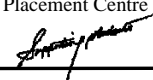
II. Employment Situations in 2005

Of the 17 graduates from this programme, 13 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	Mathematics, Economics and Finance				HKU Overall*			
	2005		2004		2005		2004	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	13	100%	19	100%	2273	100%	2361	100%
Employed	9	69%	12	63%	1786	79%	1787	76%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0%	0	0%	12	0.5%	15	0.6%
Further Studies	4	31%	7	37%	457	20%	531	22%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0%	0	0%	2	0.1%	7	0.3%
Not seeking F/T job	0	0%	0	0%	16	0.7%	21	0.9%

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III. Further Studies

Since the number of respondents is smaller than 5, these information are withheld to protect privacy of the respondent(s).

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	
	2005	2004
May or before	11%	9.1%
June	67%	36%
July	89%	73%
August	89%	73%
September	89%	91%
October	89%	100%
November	89%	100%
December	100%	100%

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V. Employment Sectors

All the Mathematics, Economics and Finance graduates responded to the survey were employed in Commerce & Industry.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2005	2004
Commerce & Industry	100%	82%
Community, Social & Personal Services	0%	18%

No Response = 3

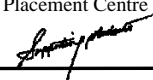
VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Mathematics, Economics and Finance graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	Mathematics, Economics and Finance		HKU Average*		Mathematics, Economics and Finance		HKU Average*	
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004
Mean	\$9,643	\$7,656	\$13,322	\$12,550	\$10,186	\$8,376	\$14,121	\$13,374
Median	\$10,000	\$8,000	\$10,250	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$8,583	\$11,050	\$10,292
Minimum	\$5,500	\$4,900	\$5,400	\$3,000	\$5,500	\$6,000	\$5,500	\$3,500
Maximum	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$67,000	\$55,000	\$16,250	\$10,833	\$74,443	\$62,500

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VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Mathematics, Economics and Finance graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	4 (50%)
Two	2 (25%)
Three	1 (13%)
Six	1 (13%)

No Response = 1

VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Mathematics, Economics and Finance graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u>Employers</u>	<u>Job Titles</u>
Commerce and Industry -	
- Centaline Property Agency Limited	- Property Agent
- Convoy Financial Group	- Finance Consultant
- Kai Shing Management Services Ltd.	- Property Officer Trainee
- Sino Group	- Property Trainee
- Tai Fook Securities Limited	- Account Executive
- Organization's name not reported	- Assistant Merchandizer
Others -	
- BBS	- Management Trainee
- Organization's name not reported	- Programmer

No Response = 1

Note: Some of the 2005 graduates indicated willingness to talk to individual students about their work. Contact numbers can be obtained from counsellors at the CePc.

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- IX.** Similar information on graduates from other disciplines is available for reference in the Careers Library. Please contact the CePc for further details.

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