

## Where did the 2007 Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates go?

### I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2007 to answer the following questions about Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) 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 2007

Of the 26 graduates from this programme, 19 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	MPhil (Faculty of Arts)				HKU Overall*			
	2007		2006		2007		2006	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	19	100%	25	100%	315	100%	273	100%
<b>Employed</b>	17	89%	18	72%	262	83%	204	75%
<b>Unemployed seeking F/T job</b>	0	0.0%	1	4%	1	0.3%	3	1%
<b>Further Studies</b>	2	11%	6	24%	35	11%	37	14%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	0	0.0%	0	0%	8	2.5%	23	8%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	0	0.0%	0	0%	9	2.9%	6	2%

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

### III. Further Studies

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

## Where did the 2007 Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates go?

### 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	
	2007	2006
May or before	22%	7.1%
June	44%	14%
July	44%	21%
August	56%	71%
September	78%	93%
October	78%	93%
November	100%	93%
December	100%	93%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 6

### V. Employment Sectors

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

Sector	% of graduates	
	2007	2006
Educational Institutions	54%	76%
Commerce & Industry	23%	18%
Community, Social & Personal Services	15%	0.0%
Civil Service	7.7%	5.9%

No Response = 2

## Where did the 2007 Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates go?

### VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

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

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	MPhil (Faculty of Arts)		HKU Average*		MPhil (Faculty of Arts)		HKU Average*	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
<b>Mean</b>	\$23,291	\$16,125	\$19,551	\$17,224	\$24,813	\$15,675	\$20,264	\$17,345
<b>Median</b>	\$19,003	\$15,000	\$18,000	\$15,000	\$20,708	\$15,000	\$18,900	\$15,000
<b>Minimum</b>	\$13,000	\$10,500	\$9,500	\$10,000	\$13,000	\$10,500	\$9,500	\$10,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$50,000	\$21,620	\$50,000	\$52,000	\$50,000	\$20,000	\$60,000	\$52,000

\* 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 Arts) graduates is shown in the following table.

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	3 (38%)
Two	2 (25%)
Three	2 (25%)
Seven	1 (13%)

No Response = 7

## Where did the 2007 Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates go?

### VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) 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>	
- Labour Department	- Administrative Officer (Co-Employment)
<b>Educational Institutions -</b>	
- City University of Hong Kong	- Executive Officer II
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	- Project Assistant
- The School of Professional and Continuing Education (SPACE), The University of Hong Kong	- Teacher
- The University of Hong Kong	- Demonstrator
- The University of Hong Kong	- Demonstrator
- The University of Hong Kong	- Research Assistant
- Tung Wah Group Of Hospitals Mrs Fung Wong Fung Ting College	- Supply Teacher
<b>Community, Social and Personal Services -</b>	
- Better Chinese Education Centre	- Operation Manager
- Hon Lam Mathematics & Music Studio Limited	- Tutor
<b>Commerce and Industry -</b>	
- Singapore Airlines	- Management Trainee
- TBWA Hong Kong	- Account Manager
- Organization's name not reported	- Composer

No Response = 2

Note: Some of the 2007 graduates indicated willingness to talk to individual students about their work. Contact numbers can be obtained from counsellors at the CEDARS.

## Where did the 2007 Master of Philosophy (Faculty of Arts) graduates go?

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

Centre of Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS)  
3/F Wong Chuang Lai Wah Building  
Meng Wah Complex  
The University of Hong Kong  
Pokfulam Road  
Hong Kong

Telephone : 2859 2314  
Fax : 2559 5238  
E-Mail : [ges@cepc.hku.hk](mailto:ges@cepc.hku.hk)  
Homepage : <http://cedars.hku.hk/>

Opening Hours : Monday - Thursday (9:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.)  
Friday (9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.)  
Saturday (9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

Herman Chan  
Director of Careers and Placement

July 2008

The analysis is based on information provided by the respondents, and CEDARS should not be held responsible for any errors arising therefrom.

No part of this report may be reproduced in any form or by whatever means, unless with written permission from the Director of Careers and Placement,  
The University of Hong Kong