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I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2014 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Social Work 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 2014

Of the 41 graduates from this programme, 41 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

| | BSW | | | | HKU Overall* | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|--------------|------|------|------|
| | 2014 | | 2013 | | 2014 | | 2013 | |
| | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % |
| No. of respondents | 41 | 100% | 38 | 100% | 2839 | 100% | 2788 | 100% |
| Employed | 37 | 90% | 32 | 84% | 2246 | 79% | 2188 | 78% |
| Unemployed seeking F/T job | 1 | 2.4% | 0 | 0.0% | 9 | 0.3% | 7 | 0.3% |
| Further Studies | 2 | 4.9% | 3 | 7.9% | 533 | 19% | 541 | 19% |
| Emigrated/Returned to home country | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% | 20 | 0.7% | 21 | 0.8% |
| Not seeking F/T job | 1 | 2.4% | 3 | 7.9% | 31 | 1.1% | 31 | 1.1% |

^{*} HKU Overall refers to the figure for the total HKU population and includes M.B.,B.S. and B.D.S. graduates.

III. Further Studies

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

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IV. Time Taken to Secure Employment

The time taken for graduates to secure employment is shown below.

| | % of new graduates who have secured employment | | | | |
|---------------|--|------|--|--|--|
| By the end of | 2014 | 2013 | | | |
| May or before | 3.7% | 5.9% | | | |
| June | 7.4% | 24% | | | |
| July | 22% | 35% | | | |
| August | 56% | 59% | | | |
| September | 70% | 65% | | | |
| October | 93% | 76% | | | |
| November | 100% | 94% | | | |
| December | 100% | 100% | | | |
| January | 100% | 100% | | | |
| February | 100% | 100% | | | |

No Response = 6

V. Employment Sectors

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

| Sector | % of graduates | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|------|--|--|
| Sector | 2014 | 2013 | | |
| Community, Social & Personal Services | 69% | 70% | | |
| Commerce & Industry | 19% | 22% | | |
| Educational Institutions | 9.4% | 4.3% | | |
| Civil Service | 3.1% | 4.3% | | |

No Response = 1









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VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Bachelor of Social Work graduates is shown below.

| | Basic Salary | | | | Gross Income | | | |
|---------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | BSW | | HKU Average* | | BSW | | HKU Average* | |
| | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 |
| Mean | \$16,084 | \$16,250 | \$20,291 | \$18,778 | \$16,225 | \$16,299 | \$21,265 | \$19,547 |
| Median | \$17,000 | \$16,250 | \$17,200 | \$15,000 | \$17,000 | \$16,250 | \$18,000 | \$16,000 |
| Minimum | \$5,000 | \$8,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$7,000 | \$8,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 |
| Maximum | \$22,000 | \$25,000 | \$63,000 | \$83,333 | \$22,000 | \$25,000 | \$105,000 | \$83,333 |

^{*} HKU Average refers to the figure for the total HKU population and includes M.B.,B.S. and B.D.S. graduates.

VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

The number of job offers received by Bachelor of Social Work graduates is shown in the following table.

| No. of job offers received | No. of graduates (% of graduates) | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| One | 12 (44%) | | |
| Two | 9 (33%) | | |
| Three | 4 (15%) | | |
| Five | 1 (3.7%) | | |
| Eight or more | 1 (3.7%) | | |

No Response = 6







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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Social Work graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

| <u>Employers</u> | <u>Job Titles</u> | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Civil Service - | | | | | |
| - HKSAR - Social Welfare Department | - Social Work Assistant | | | | |
| Educational Institutions - | | | | | |
| - St. Bonaventure Catholic Primary School | - School Social Worker | | | | |
| - The University of Hong Kong | Research Coordinator/Medical Social Worker | | | | |
| - Tseung Kwan O Pui Chi School | - Social Work Assistant | | | | |
| Community, Social and Personal Services - | | | | | |
| - Aberdeen Kaifong Welfare Association Services Centre | Occupation's name not reported | | | | |
| - Asbury Methodist Social Service | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - Caritas - Hong Kong | - Social Worker Assistant | | | | |
| - Children's Heart Foundation | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - Fei Yue Family Service Centre | - Social Worker II | | | | |
| - Hong Kong Christian Service | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service | - Registered Social Worker | | | | |
| - Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - Po Leung Kuk | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - St. James' Settlement | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - The Hong Kong Joint Council of Parents of the | - Social Work Assistant | | | | |
| Mentally Handicapped | | | | | |
| - The Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - The Salvation Army | - Social Worker | | | | |
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| - The Salvation Army | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - The Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong Social Service | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - Women's Welfare Club - Western District - Chung Hok | - Social Work Assistant | | | | |
| Social Centre For The Elderly | D 1-1 1 C 1-1 W 1 | | | | |
| - Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service | - Registered Social Worker | | | | |
| - Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service | - Social Worker | | | | |
| - YMCA of Hong Kong | - Social Worker Associate | | | | |
| - Organization's name not reported | - Social Worker | | | | |
| Commerce and Industry - | | | | | |
| - Cathay Pacific Airways Limited | - Flight Attendant | | | | |
| - Cathay Pacific Airways Limited | - Flight Attendant | | | | |
| - Hutchison Whampoa Limited | - Administrative Assistant | | | | |
| - Midland Holdings Limited | - Sales Trainee | | | | |

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- Trinity International Limited

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Note: Some of the 2014 graduates indicated willingness to talk to individual students about their

work. Contact numbers can be obtained from career advisors at the Careers & Placement, CEDARS.

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IX. 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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