

Where did the 2011 Bachelor of Social Work graduates go?

I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2011 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 2011

Of the 39 graduates from this programme, 39 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BSW				HKU Overall*			
	2011		2010		2011		2010	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
No. of respondents	39	100%	37	100%	2878	100%	2812	100%
Employed	36	92%	36	97%	2321	81%	2226	79%
Unemployed seeking F/T job	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	8	0.3%	8	0.3%
Further Studies	1	2.6%	0	0.0%	517	18%	541	19%
Emigrated/Returned to home country	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.1%	7	0.2%
Not seeking F/T job	2	5.1%	1	2.7%	28	1.0%	30	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.

By the end of	% of new graduates who have secured employment	
	2011	2010
May or before	7.4%	3.2%
June	15%	6.5%
July	37%	32%
August	63%	61%
September	81%	84%
October	96%	94%
November	100%	97%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 9

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.

Sector	% of graduates	
	2011	2010
Community, Social & Personal Services	77%	91%
Commerce & Industry	23%	0.0%
Educational Institutions	0.0%	5.9%
Civil Service	0.0%	2.9%

No Response = 6



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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*	
	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010
Mean	\$17,482	\$16,528	\$17,650	\$16,662	\$17,810	\$16,602	\$18,350	\$17,336
Median	\$17,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$13,000	\$17,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$13,500
Minimum	\$8,000	\$12,000	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
Maximum	\$23,360	\$22,005	\$70,000	\$99,999	\$24,000	\$23,000	\$70,000	\$100,000

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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	13 (48%)
Two	10 (37%)
Three	3 (11%)
Six	1 (3.7%)

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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>
Community, Social and Personal Services -	
- Aberdeen Kai-Fong Welfare Association Social Service Centre	- Social Worker I
- Baptist Church	- Program Worker
- Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service Center	- Social Worker
- Children's Heart Foundation	- Social Work Assistant
- Hong Kong Christian Service	- Social Worker
- Hong Kong Society for the Aged	- Social Worker
- Lutheran Church Hong Kong Synod	- Social Worker
- Society for Community Organization	- Community Organizer
- The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong	- Social Worker
- The Christian New Being Fellowship Limited	- Registered Social Worker
- The Christian New Being Fellowship Limited	- Social Worker
- The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups	- Youth Work Officer
- The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups	- Occupation's name not reported
- The Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation	- Social Worker II
- The Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council (NAAC)	- Registered Social Worker
- The Salvation Army	- Social Worker
- The Society	- Social Worker
- Tung Wah Group of Hospitals	- Social Worker III
- Wai Ji Christian Service	- Social Worker
- Wai Ji Christian Service	- Social Worker
- Yan Oi Tong	- Social Worker
- YMCA of Hong Kong	- Youth Work Officer
- Organization's name not reported	- Assistant Social Work Officer
Commerce and Industry -	
- Cathay Pacific Airways Limited	- Flight Attendant
- Cathay Pacific Airways Limited	- Flight Attendant
- Foo Hang Jewellery Limited	- Administrative Assistant
- Hyper Consultant Company	- Personal Secretary
- LUSH	- Occupation's name not reported
- Organization's name not reported	- School Social Worker
- Organization's name not reported	- Social Work Assistant
Others -	
- Organization's name not reported	- Youth Work Officer

No Response = 5

Note: Some of the 2011 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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