

## Where did the 2015 Bachelor of Economics graduates go?

### I. Introduction

The information in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 2015 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Economics 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 2015

Of the 29 graduates from this programme, 21 responded to the survey. Their employment situations are listed below.

	BEcon				HKU Overall*			
	2015		2014		2015		2014	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>No. of respondents</b>	21	100%	7	100%	3042	100%	2839	100%
<b>Employed</b>	15	71%	7	100%	2416	79%	2246	79%
<b>Unemployed seeking F/T job</b>	1	4.8%	0	0.0%	15	0.5%	9	0.3%
<b>Further Studies</b>	5	24%	0	0.0%	558	18%	533	19%
<b>Emigrated/Returned to home country</b>	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	14	0.5%	20	0.7%
<b>Not seeking F/T job</b>	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	39	1.3%	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.

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### III. Further Studies

5 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.	M.Phil.	Taught Master (Coursework)
Education	-	-	1
Social Sciences	1	1	2

Source of Funds	No. of Graduates
Own Funds	4
Scholarship+Teaching Assistantship/Studentship	1

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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	
	2015	2014
May or before	33%	50%
June	56%	67%
July	56%	67%
August	78%	83%
September	78%	83%
October	89%	83%
November	100%	83%
December	100%	100%
January	100%	100%
February	100%	100%

No Response = 6

### V. Employment Sectors

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

Sector	% of graduates	
	2015	2014
Commerce & Industry	82%	100%
Community, Social & Personal Services	9.1%	0.0%
Civil Service	9.1%	0.0%

No Response = 4

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### VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

The remuneration received by Bachelor of Economics graduates is shown below.

	Basic Salary				Gross Income			
	BEcon		HKU Average*		BEcon		HKU Average*	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
<b>Mean</b>	\$16,857	\$19,417	\$20,996	\$20,291	\$17,077	\$19,590	\$21,730	\$21,265
<b>Median</b>	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$17,500	\$17,200	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$18,000	\$18,000
<b>Minimum</b>	\$12,000	\$12,500	\$4,900	\$5,000	\$12,000	\$13,542	\$5,000	\$5,000
<b>Maximum</b>	\$40,225	\$30,000	\$100,000	\$63,000	\$40,225	\$30,000	\$100,000	\$105,000

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### VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

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

No. of job offers received	No. of graduates (% of graduates)
One	1 (11%)
Two	5 (56%)
Three	2 (22%)
Seven	1 (11%)

No Response = 6

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### VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of Bachelor of Economics 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>	
- HKSAR - Hong Kong Police Force	- Police
<b>Community, Social and Personal Services -</b>	
- All Round Education Academy	- Tutor
<b>Commerce and Industry -</b>	
- Bandai Co., Ltd	- Sales Executive
- Bank of Communications Co., Ltd	- Treasury Product Official
- BCI Asia Construction Information Ltd	- Research Consultant
- Ernst & Young	- Staff Accountant I
- Jyng Limited	- Sales Executive
- Maybank	- Relationship Manager
- Metel	- Project Manager
- Nguyen Hoang Group	- Secretary to the Chairman
- Vigor Advertising Company	- Video Editor
<b>Others -</b>	
- Organization's name not reported	- Developer

No Response = 3

Note: Some of the 2015 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.  
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