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BUOYANT JOB MARKET FOR UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

Graduates from the Chinese University have continued to fare satisfactorily in the job market despite the global economic downturn according to the Chairman of the University's Appointments Board, Mr. Tony Fung.

Speaking at the opening ceremony of the Civil Service Careers Exhibition this morning, Mr. Fung said last year's graduates from the university received an average of 2.3 job offers.

Within three months after graduation, 88% secured job offers, and 61% had actually started working, he added.

"In the context of fresh graduate employment worldwide, these are amazing statistics, and they serve to prove both the buoyancy of the Hong Kong economy as well as the competitiveness of the university's graduates," said Mr. Fung.

Speaking at the same occasion, the Chairman of the Public Service Commission, Mr. Augustine Chui, reassured civil servants that their position was safeguarded by the Joint Declaration and the Basic Law.

Civil servants "may all remain in employment and continue their service with pay, allowances, benefits and conditions of service no less favourable than before", he said.

Jointly organised by the Civil Service Branch and the Appointments Service of the Chinese University, the two-day exhibition at the university's Shatin campus features a wide range of career opportunities offered by 26 government departments.

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