

# 4 From Student to Graduate

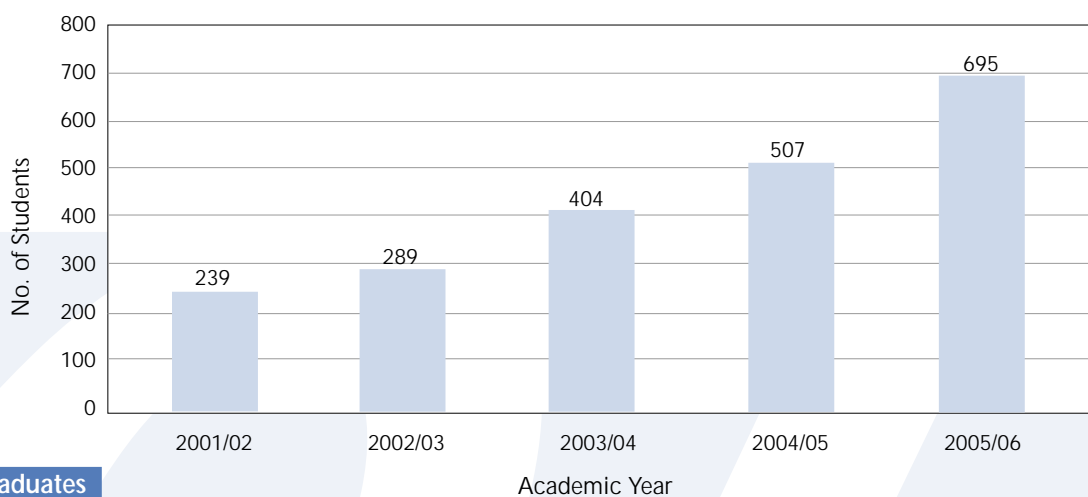
## TOURISM COLLEGE OF MACAO

### Number of Students

For the academic year 2005/06, there were 1,651 applicants for the Bachelor Degree Programmes, an increase of 11% over the previous year. The total number of registered students was 695, an increase of 37% over the previous year.

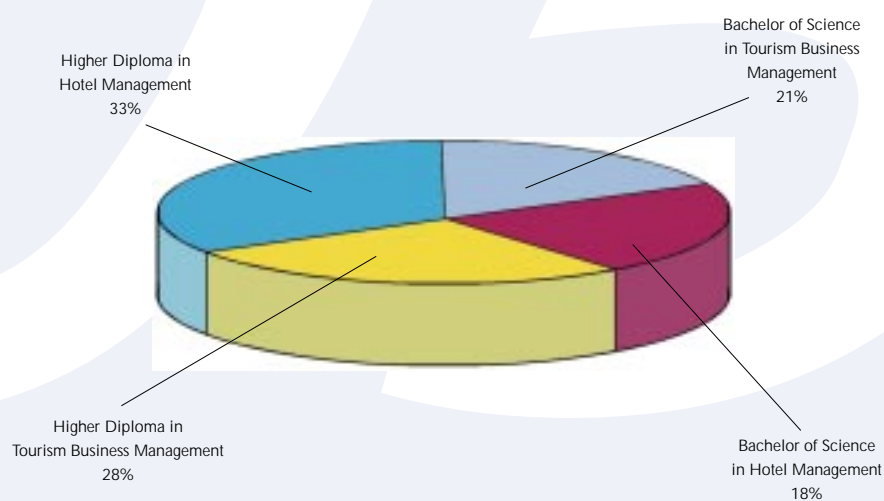
Among the students, 4% were exchange students while 12% were non-local students. They came from Mainland China (including Hong Kong), Denmark, Finland, India, Portugal, South Korea, Thailand, The Netherlands and Timor-Leste.

### The number of students of the Tourism College of Macao in the past five years



### Graduates

As indicated below, 238 students graduated in the academic year 2005/06:

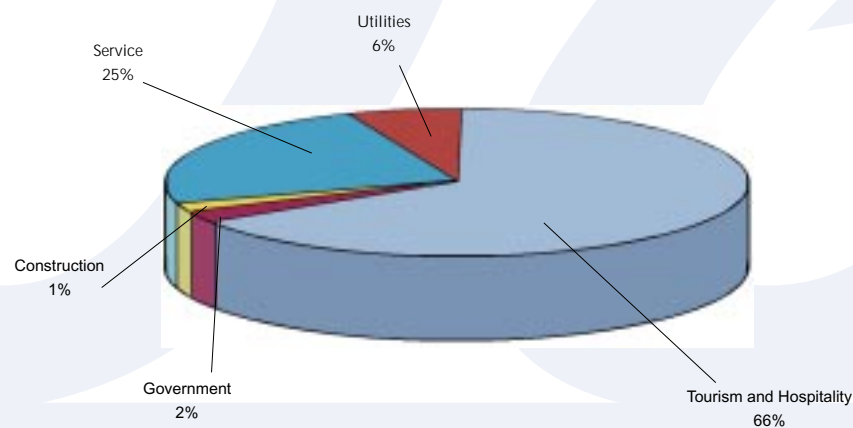


## Employment Condition of 2004/05 Graduates

In order to understand the career placement of our 2004/05 graduates, IFT launched an employment survey in February 2006.

The overall response rate was 85%. By programme type the individual response rates for Bachelor Degree Programme, Higher Diploma in Tourism Business Management and Higher Diploma in Hotel Management were 67.3%, 95.9% and 92.9% respectively. According to the results of the survey, 74.8% of the respondents had employment while the rest were mainly pursuing further studies. Among those who had employment, 66% were employed in the tourism and hospitality sectors and majority of the employed graduates had monthly salary ranged from MOP7,001 to 8,000.

Employment sectors of the IFT 2004/05 Graduates are as follows:



## Student Activities

A group of Hotel Management third year students completed a project as part of the requirements for the course Facilities and Properties Management. In this project, 11 heritage sites with open space in Macao were under study and 1000 respondents were interviewed. The objective was to examine how to improve the streetscape of open corridors leading the ways to the heritage sites and provide such information for the government's reference. The findings were then presented to Mr Raymond Tam, Vice-Chairman of the Administration Committee of the Instituto para os Assuntos Cívicos e Municipais, IACM (Civic and Municipal Affairs Bureau) on 23 June 2005. The students received very good feedback from Mr. Tam.

IFT senior student Tracy Ao was elected as the President of the Executive Committee of the General Association of Chinese Students of Macau (AECM). This new responsibility has provided Tracy valuable experience and opportunity to improve her abilities and build up self-confidence and a sense of caring for the society.

Staff and students of IFT participated in a workshop on Urban Development, Identity and Heritage, organised by the International Institute of Macau on 2 May 2006. In view of the new urban development, the objectives of this workshop were to raise awareness and provide training on the conservation of Macao's heritage,

Mr William Wong accompanied 15 IFT students in the Third Annual Young Entrepreneur and Student Exchange trip on JiuQuang Aerospace Technology organised by the Macau New Youth Chinese Association from 1 to 10 July, 2006. The exchange trip covered destinations such as JiuQuang, Gansu, Silk Road and Urumqi (Xijiang). The objectives of the trip were to educate students on aerospace science and to enhance knowledge and affection towards the motherland.

## PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOOL (PACES)

For the academic year 2005/06, PACES provided various types of training courses and assessments for 11,066 participants. It also delivered specialised courses by requests of individual organisations. The distribution of PACES students in terms of their training areas is as follows:

Number of participants who joined the programmes conducted by the Professional And Continuing Education School:

	Number of students
Certificate and Diploma Programmes	144
Tourism Techniques Course	60
Short Courses	4,337
Total	4,541

Number of secondary and primary school students who took part in the Tourism Awareness Campaign conducted by the Professional And Continuing Education School:

	Number of students
Secondary School Students	1,098
Primary School Students	2,323
Total	3,421

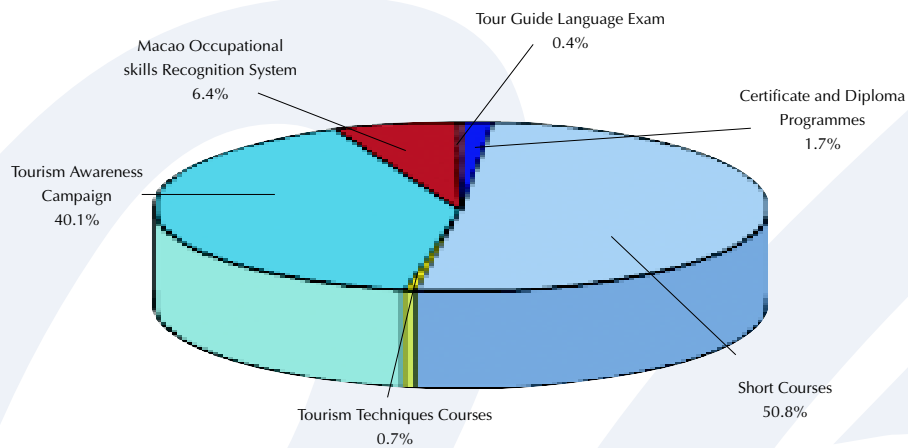
Number of participants who joined various professional assessments conducted by the Professional And Continuing Education School:

	Number of participants
Macao Occupational skills Recognition System (MORS)	546
Tour Guide – Language Examination	30
Total	576

Number of participants who joined the programmes provided by PACES at the Macao Tourism and Casino Career Centre:

	Number of students
Short Courses conducted at Macao Tourism and Casino Career Centre	2,528
Total	2,528

The distribution of different courses and assessments conducted by PACES is as follows:



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