

Nine in 10 NTU, SMU grads land jobs amidst tight labour market

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‘Class of 2025’ graduates also see higher salaries.

Nine in 10 graduates from Nanyang Technological University (NTU) and Singapore Management University (SMU) [secured employment](#) within six months of graduation, despite a cautious labour market.

At NTU, courses that saw the highest employment rates include accountancy, biomedical sciences, accountancy and business, civil engineering, and Chinese, according to the latest Joint Autonomous Universities Graduate Employment Survey (JAUGES) 2025.

The university’s ‘Class of 2025’ also recorded higher salaries compared with the previous cohort.

A total of 4,468 NTU graduates responded to the survey, alongside 66 medicine graduates from the Class of 2024 who participated in a follow-up survey.

Meanwhile, SMU graduates recorded a secured employment rate of 91.4%, with an overall employment rate of 87.1% and a full-time permanent employment rate of 79.8%.

Industries such as finance and insurance, legal, accounting and auditing, and information and communication remained the top employment sectors for the university’s graduates.

Amongst those in full-time permanent employment, 61.4% received job offers before graduation, up 1.3 percentage points from the 2024 cohort.

Graduate salaries also increased from the previous year. SMU reported an average gross monthly salary of \$5,116, up from \$5,057 in 2024, whilst the median salary increased to \$4,747 from \$4,600.

Of SMU's 2,331 graduates in the Class of 2025, 1,710 responded to the survey, representing a 73.4% response rate.