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SINGAPORE – More than eight in 10 graduates found full-time work within six months of leaving university, a survey revealed yesterday. Among the 10,500 graduates polled, 83.4 per cent of them were employed in full-time permanent jobs within six months of completing their final examinations last year, down from 85.6 per cent in 2012.

Fresh graduates with engineering or accountancy-related qualifications were particularly in demand across the board, while others included business, nursing and maritime studies.

Meanwhile, the median gross monthly salary was about \$\$3,000 — comparable to what they received in 2012. Singapore Management University (SMU) graduates generally led the way, with the average starting salaries hitting nearly \$\$3,500.

Results of the survey, conducted

S\$3,000

MEDIAN GROSS MONTHLY SALARY
OF FRESH GRADUATES

by the National University of Singapore (NUS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU) and SMU, were released yesterday, ahead of the release of results for last year's Singapore-Cambridge GCE Advanced Level Examination on Monday.

Among graduates from courses requiring practical training, nearly 98 per cent found full-time employment last year. These were in areas such as law, medicine and architecture. On average, they earned a starting monthly salary of about S\$4,600, nearly S\$100 more than in 2012.

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