

Graduate Survey Report 2017 in March 2018

*This is the first year that we are compiling this report because this was the first year that GES was provided. The metrics selected are **Graduate Employment Rate** and **Graduate Salary Averages**. These 2 metrics were selected as key outcomes of what our students hope to achieve when studying with us. They are also readily available from the benchmarks of NTU and NUS.*

As GES compares graduates from the year 2016 in the year of 2017, it is important that in our review, we compare the similar data (e.g. Graduate Survey responses from 2017 must be compared against benchmark data from NTU and NUS for their equivalent batches, where methodology is available). For data that is available from NTU and NUS, we only compare the data from the College of Engineering's relevant programmes or closest variant.

A potential flaw in the methodology is that these are averages and they are only declared statistics without in-depth verification or analysis. The potential risk is that students from any of the assessed bodies may misrepresent their income, or that one outlier with extreme results may skew the results entirely. It is therefore important to see this as a rough benchmark rather than a ranking system.

	Auston	NTU	NUS
Graduate Employability based on Full-time Permanent Basis	<i>B Eng EEE & Mechatronics – 92.3%</i> <i>BSc IT and CNS – 100%</i>	<i>B Eng EEE – 85%</i> <i>B Eng Com Sci – 86.7%</i>	<i>B Eng Electrical – 86.5%</i> <i>B Com (IS) – 91.8%</i>
Graduate Salary Benchmarking of Basic Salary Mean*	<i>B Eng EEE & Mechatronics - \$3130</i> <i>BSc IT and CNS - \$4000</i>	<i>B Eng EEE - \$3500</i> <i>B Eng Com Sci - \$3750</i>	<i>B Eng Electrical - \$3500</i> <i>B Com (IS) - \$4000</i>

*Where only ranges are available, the mid-point is used.

Summary

- Auston Engineering graduates find jobs at **good and similar** levels as NTU and NUS graduates from similar programmes.
- Auston Engineering graduates earn a **slightly lower wage** compared to NTU and NUS graduates from similar programmes.
- Auston Computing graduates find employment **higher levels** when compared to NTU and NUS graduates.
- Auston Computing graduates earn a similar or **higher wage** when compared to NTU and NUS graduates from similar programmes.

Action

- To understand the wage gap between NTU/NUS Engineering graduates vs Auston graduates, if this is an ability and knowledge issue or systemic (e.g. Professional Engineer status).