

ACCA JOB HUNTING COMPETITION 2008 CHINA GRAND FINAL

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Candidate from Hong Kong won the nationwide championship in job hunting competition

The ACCA Job Hunting Competition 2008 China Grand Final provided a precious and valuable opportunity for students from different regions of the nation to experience the real world.

The ACCA Job Hunting Competition 2008 China Grand Final, organized by ACCA (The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants), was successfully held last Saturday.

This nationwide job hunting campaign has attracted over 5,000 students from 95 universities in Mainland China and Hong Kong to join, while the 12 top grand finalists are the winners of job hunting competition in Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Hong Kong.

On the day of the final competition, finalists were randomly divided into three groups and required to conduct a presentation based on their proposals that they needed to establish a social enterprise to bid for a fund of RMB\$10 million from the government. Candidates had only two hours to prepare the presentation, which made the task even more difficult and challenging.

At the welcome speech, Kelly Chan, President of ACCA Hong Kong, said: "Students here went through a lot of challenges before they were able to come to this stage. The different stages of the competition stimulate a full graduate recruitment determining process that many enterprises are under-taking."

Chan explained that judges assess the performance of the candidates according to their aptitude, attitude, communication and presentation skills.

"It is just like employers nowadays who are seeking all-rounded, three-dimensional talent with integrity and positive attitudes. The active recruitment market in Hong Kong and mainland China offers abundant opportunities for graduates to start a new page in their career," said Chan.

Though the whole process was fierce, students from Beijing and Hong Kong rocked the entire competition.

Jansy Man Wing-sze, a Year 2 student studying Bachelor of Business Administration (Law) at The University of Hong Kong, won the Grand Championship. Her teammate, Zhang Lu, a Year 3 Finance student from Beijing University, was the first runner-up.

"The topic for today's competition allows room for creativity. The whole competition was exciting. I am so happy that I am the champion and my group won the Best Team Award," said Jansy.

The second runner-ups were Lester Fung Ka-kei, a Year 3 student studying Bachelor of Business Administration (Law) at The University of Hong Kong, and Zhang Hao, a first year postgraduate student of Law from Beijing Forestry University, who also won as the Most Popular Candidate, winning 1,509 votes in the online voting on sina.com, which has attracted over two million hit rates.

The Best Team was Group Two of team members Huang Ji, Man Wing-sze, Jansy, Qi Xiaoliang and Zhang Lu, which had a brand-new proposal about setting up a social enterprise for building hygienic public washrooms

in the mainland. With a creative idea and interesting presentation, Group Two was awarded the highest total scores.

The judging panel included honorable judges from the sponsors and ACCA. They said the performance of the finalists was impressive.

"The candidates were well-prepared so they knew what to do during the competition," said Charles Lee, Partner of Southern China Tax Leader, PricewaterhouseCoopers.

"I feel excited that the finalists were very active in the whole competition. This can train their mindset and reaction," said Grace Li, Vice President - Finance, Greater China of American International Assurance Company, Limited, an AIG Company.

The judges said that students from Hong Kong and mainland China are very outstanding, one of the differences between them is in the command of English.

Kelly Chan said: "Actually the levels of students from Hong Kong and mainland China are very close. Some Hong Kong students may have more chance to practice their English and their spoken English is generally better."

"During the group discussion, I observed that students communicated not only in English, but also in Putonghua, which is something really inspiring," said Fanny Li, Finance Director of Hong Kong of DuPont China Limited.

However, judges thought that students from the mainland had some benefits over local students.

Dilys Chau, Partner of Assurance and Advisory Business Services of Ernst and Young, said: "The situation in China is different from that in Hong Kong. Some students there are more mature and have better experiences in conducting presentation."

According to Thomas Chu, Regional Managing Director of Resources Global Professionals, candidates from the mainland may have a better understanding about their questions as they know better about the culture of their country and they know how to present their proposals to government officials.

"Students from the mainland have a broader vision in general when compared with local students as they have more exposures," said Dickson Leung, Senior Partner of Lehman-Brown International Accountants.

The competition required candidates to have a good individual performance, at the same time having good cooperation and communication with other teammates, which simulates the business situation in the real world.

"Candidates should strike for a balance between the two," said Charles Lee.

Peter Y.H. Wong, Consultant to Chief Executive of Taifook Securities Group Limited, also reminded students to determine their targets and have a clear plan about what they want to do in their career.



Judges were impressed by the overall performances of the candidates, who are the winners of the job hunting competition in Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Hong Kong.



The unique and brand-new proposal of Group 2 brought them The Best Team Award. Members include: Huang Ji, Zhang Lu, Jansy Man Wing-sze and Qi Xiaoliang (left to right).

From left to right: Zhang Lu, Zhang Hao, Jansy Man Wing-sze and Lester Fung Ka-kei were the top four finalists.

Winners

Award	Name	University	Program/Year
Champion	Jansy Man Wing-sze	The University of Hong Kong	BBA (Law) / 2
First Runner-up	Zhang Lu	Beijing University	Finance / 3
Second Runner-up	Lester Fung Ka-kei	The University of Hong Kong	BBA (Law) / 3
	Zhang Hao	Beijing Forestry University	Law / Postgraduate 1
The Best Team	Huang Ji	Guangdong University of Foreign Studies	Logistics Management / 4
	Jansy Man Wing-sze	The University of Hong Kong	BBA (Law) / 2
	Qi Xiaoliang	Shanghai Jiao Tong University	Finance / 3
	Zhang Lu	Beijing University	Finance / 3
The Most Popular Candidate (Online Voting)	Zhang Hao	Beijing Forestry University	Law / Postgraduate 1

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE NATIONAL WINNERS OF ACCA JOB HUNTING COMPETITION 2008 - CHINA GRAND FINAL

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Champion	Man Wing Sze Jansy	BBA (Law) Year 2, The University of Hong Kong
1st runner-up	Zhang Lu	Finance Year 3, Beijing University
2nd runner-ups	Fung Ka Kei Lester	BBA (Law) Year 3, The University of Hong Kong
	Zhang Hao	Law Postgraduate Year 1, Beijing Forestry University
The Best Team	Huang Ji	Logistics Management Year 4, Guangdong University of Foreign Studies
	Man Wing Sze Jansy	BBA (Law) Year 2, The University of Hong Kong
	Qi Xiao Liang	Finance Year 3, Shanghai Jiao Tong University
	Zhang Lu	Finance Year 3, Beijing University
The Most Popular Candidate (voted by online public)	Zhang Hao	Law Postgraduate Year 1, Beijing Forestry University

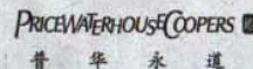
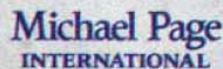
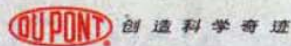
Organised by ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai, and Guangzhou, the Competition aimed at helping students to equip and polish themselves with the necessary skills required by today's employers. The China Grand Final was successfully held on 12 July 2008.

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