



Logistics & Transportation

Hong Kong is an important geographical point with an advanced telecommunications system, extensive transportation network and excellent facilities including a world class international airport. The timely delivery of goods from supplier to customer is vital for the smooth functioning of Hong Kong.

Logistics and transport has been identified by the Hong Kong Government as one of the sectors for long term growth. This has led to the mushrooming of logistics service providers, transporters and freight forwarders, as well as a variety of positions for graduates.

POSITIONS

Fresh graduates are typically employed as logistics executives or officers who are responsible for coordinating with clients and internal parties for the collection of goods and dispatch activities. A logistic executive is also tasked with handling a full set of export and import shipping documents, as well as ensuring that the documents meet the custom compliance requirement.

A logistics executive has to liaise with internal departments, factories, vendors, forwarders, logistics providers as well as clients on any logistics related issues such as shipment scheduling and delivery arrangement.

Various positions are also available in the transportation sector. Two of the biggest transport employers in Hong Kong are the MTR Corporation and the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation.

POSITIONS WITH MTR CORPORATION (MTRC)

The MTRC recruits many engineers from the fields of electrical, mechanical, geotechnical and civil engineering, among others. A four-year operating management-training programme provides career opportunities for graduates who want to take up railway operation management as a career.





POSITIONS WITH KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION (KCRC)

The KCRC recruits graduates primarily from engineering disciplines as well as from business, accountancy and marketing. It has also established a graduate trainee scheme, which is based on a combination of on-the-job and formal training.

These training programmes are designed to suit trainees' specific needs, ranging from technical subjects to management training, with in-house formal training courses provided regularly. This two-year scheme aims at preparing graduates to take up front-line management responsibilities upon completion of their training.

EDUCATION & REQUIREMENTS

A degree in logistics, supply chain management or transport studies is usually required. Working in logistics and transportation requires a broad range of skills. Graduates should also have a good command of both spoken and written English and Chinese.

SALARY & BENEFITS

The starting salary for graduates is usually around \$10,000-\$14,000. Given the nature of the work, irregular hours and working outdoors can be expected.

FURTHER TRAINING

The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport in Hong Kong is the professional body for those engaged in various sectors of transport and logistics, including air, sea and land, for both passengers and freight transportation. It offers qualifying examinations in a wide range of subjects leading to professional grades at the institute.

Various tertiary institutions in Hong Kong also offer professional training in the field of logistics and transportation. These include the Caritas Francis Hsu College, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, City University of Hong Kong, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Open University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Polytechnic University and the Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Morrison Hill).

FURTHER INFORMATION

A useful source of information is the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport in Hong Kong. The institute is located at:

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