



## Employment prospects of Theology students graduating from Spurgeon's College

### Analysis of Graduate Outcomes data 2017-18:

The *Graduate Outcomes* survey was conducted 15 months after our students had graduated from the College (alumni 2017/18).

The employment status of this cohort was very encouraging.

- Approximately 7 out of 10 graduates reported themselves in employment.
- A further 1 in 10 reported that they were engaged in further study, training, or research.
- Around 1 in 10 reported that they were retired.
- None reported themselves as being unemployed.

All of those who said they were employed were in graduate-level jobs (*Standard Occupational Classification 2010*, major groups 1, 2 or 3) and 6 out of 10 were working as 'clergy'.

Graduates' reflections from our alumni who Graduated in 2017/18 are very positive. 15 months after their graduation, the vast majority were very happy with the roles they were in, felt that it fits with their future plans and were still utilising the skills they learned during their time at the College.

- **96% agreed** that '**My current activity is meaningful**'. (65% strongly agreed, 31% agreed.) This is very like the most favourable response among other vocational programmes nationally, i.e. Medicine & Dentistry. (97% agreed: 69% strongly agreed, 28% agreed.)
- **85% agreed** that '**My current activity fits with my future plans**'. (54% strongly agreed, 31% agreed. Only 8% (two graduates) disagreed. This is very like the response from 'non-science' vocational programmes nationally such as Education (84% agreed: 50% strongly agreed, 34% agreed, 5% disagreed, and 4% strongly disagreed.)
- **75% agreed** that '**I am utilising what I learnt**'. (54% strongly agreed, 21% agreed. But 4% (one) disagreed.) This response is much better than that for Historical & Philosophical studies nationally (57% agreed) but not as high as some other vocational programmes such as Education (83% agreed).