

**TRACER STUDY OF ENGINEERING GRADUATES OF ONE HIGHER
EDUCATION INSTITUTION IN THE PHILIPPINES
FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2009-2012**

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ABSTRACT

Employability of graduates is one of the measures of Higher Education Institutions to ensure that the quality of education they provide is suitable to the needs of the industry. This study determined the employment status of engineering graduates in one Private University in the Philippines from the period of 2009 to 2012. Descriptive type of research method was utilized in the study involving the total population of the graduates as respondents. The findings revealed that the engineering graduates are highly employable with 95.54 percent employment rating, with regular status and presently working as associate professionals in the Philippine manufacturing companies related to their college degrees who found their first job as walk-in applicants and stayed on their jobs for more than three (3) years. Communication skill is considered the foremost competency learned in college that found very useful to their job placement.

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