INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

A range of jobs exist in Hong Kong in the rapidly growing industry of information technology, better known as IT. Technical skills in fields of computers and telecommunications are in strong demand, as are sales and marketing talents and project management, say industry observers. But the more technical the skills, the easier it is for job-hunters to look from overseas since these abilities are easily transferable, while sales and marketing jobs often require knowledge of Cantonese or Mandarin.

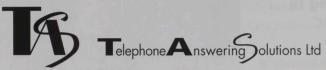
Applicants can expect wages to be between 20 and 40 per cent higher in Hong Kong than in Canada, since expatriate packages - which formerly included such perks as housing and education allowances - are largely being phased out in the industry. Applicants are advised to prepare as detailed a résumé as possible for jobs in information technology, outlining specific knowledge of the industry and precise details about their background and experience. ◆

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