

### Expected Lifetime Earnings by Field of Bachelor's Degree (All)

Field of Bachelor's Degree	Median Earnings	25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Earnings	75 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Earnings
Chemical Engineering	4,101,034	3,320,819	5,217,499
Economics	3,894,990	2,968,597	5,224,313
Chemistry	3,856,281	3,007,559	5,034,360
Biological Sciences	3,830,608	2,938,203	4,985,003
Aerospace Engineering	3,664,707	3,002,914	4,472,935
Computer Engineering	3,619,265	2,962,134	4,449,952
Finance	3,586,497	2,819,194	4,637,974
Political Science	3,558,629	2,678,808	4,742,261
Electrical Engineering	3,538,888	2,931,561	4,354,619
Physics	3,528,856	2,861,169	4,475,814
Industrial Engineering	3,485,961	2,751,973	4,331,465
Mathematics and Statistics	3,465,538	2,778,122	4,593,154
Computer Science	3,401,999	2,702,322	4,309,392
Mechanical Engineering	3,395,619	2,812,937	4,183,236
Nursing	3,357,722	2,727,124	4,150,405
Accounting	3,354,508	2,619,640	4,262,794
Engineering (Other)	3,338,065	2,637,440	4,156,745
Civil Engineering	3,321,095	2,663,471	3,982,228
Management and Information Science	3,301,841	2,705,388	4,048,765
Public Administration	3,218,649	2,527,183	4,277,527
Information Science	3,187,547	2,602,224	3,806,829
Health Services (General)	3,175,905	2,432,457	4,089,806
Area/Ethnic Studies	3,145,404	2,349,148	4,382,873
International Business	3,093,319	2,354,377	4,193,073
General Business	3,052,651	2,437,358	3,918,316
Physical Sciences (not chem/physics)	3,038,885	2,408,169	3,968,771
Interdisciplinary Studies	2,941,584	2,164,356	3,845,596
Medical Technologies	2,937,213	2,400,298	3,637,748
Marketing	2,915,539	2,290,293	3,739,965
History	2,892,831	2,214,542	3,977,929
Computer and Information Systems	2,870,557	2,368,552	3,545,966
Treatment Therapy (All)	2,865,037	2,264,712	3,715,813
Human Resources	2,851,538	2,259,379	3,631,169
Advertising/Public Relations	2,833,563	2,105,143	3,844,828
English Language/Literature	2,833,198	2,140,728	3,805,224
Management	2,809,059	2,224,308	3,596,812
Computer Administration	2,808,037	2,168,873	3,596,735
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Art History	2,805,792	2,097,865	3,766,379
Foreign Languages	2,792,868	2,110,564	3,706,846
Construction	2,787,055	2,215,482	3,486,896
Journalism	2,782,087	2,102,988	3,735,609
Communications	2,779,064	2,108,630	3,654,889
Linguistics/Comparative Language and Literature	2,767,200	2,091,397	3,806,513
Psychology	2,740,150	2,115,814	3,594,482
Transportation Science	2,739,444	2,212,205	3,431,049
Agricultural Economics	2,735,091	2,114,912	3,495,993
Engineering Technologies	2,724,260	2,217,534	3,334,727
Architecture	2,689,545	2,131,739	3,477,984
Anthropology/Archeology	2,647,902	2,019,267	3,475,106
Computer Programming	2,630,606	2,062,531	3,352,113
Sociology	2,608,167	2,035,985	3,390,517
Environmental Science	2,550,678	2,042,496	3,236,233
Liberal Arts	2,535,807	1,928,528	3,322,497
Philosophy	2,533,192	1,929,606	3,377,031
Animal Science	2,515,875	1,973,845	3,290,982
Social Sciences (Other)	2,508,111	1,920,425	3,351,451
Mass Media	2,477,440	1,873,355	3,300,049
Composition and Rhetoric	2,460,398	1,841,398	3,338,908
Hospitality	2,451,353	1,912,030	3,201,121
Geography	2,437,359	1,943,754	3,183,920
Humanities	2,437,254	1,840,901	3,368,395
Computer Networking and Telecommunications	2,426,680	1,934,802	3,091,129
Criminology	2,398,713	1,949,264	3,046,445
Criminal Justice	2,376,825	1,936,417	2,946,336
Consumer Science	2,357,051	1,775,042	3,144,624
Graphic Design	2,323,220	1,751,224	3,061,147
Drama	2,290,174	1,681,504	3,040,872
Communication Technology	2,283,452	1,732,759	2,952,993
Film/Video/Photography	2,269,162	1,738,550	3,094,287
Physical Fitness/Parks and Recreation	2,268,384	1,796,757	2,887,713
Social Work	2,268,132	1,816,770	2,887,877
Forestry	2,242,142	1,847,269	2,800,110
Education (All)	2,237,109	1,762,396	2,911,206
Agriculture	2,232,896	1,798,880	2,816,773
Natural Resources Management	2,216,226	1,754,564	2,770,651
Plant Science	2,194,682	1,732,261	2,701,050
Human/Community Services	2,153,556	1,679,479	2,802,890

Fine Arts	2,117,626	1,623,873	2,840,999
Cosmetology	2,068,599	1,610,075	2,730,777
Music	2,030,025	1,568,156	2,794,869
Studio Arts	1,919,779	1,455,533	2,561,524
Some College but no degree	1,755,682	1,372,899	2,233,084
Theology	1,579,820	1,278,986	1,974,852
High School	1,386,770	1,090,742	1,767,381

Estimates are based on the 2009-2013 American Community Surveys and the baseline lifetime earnings model in [Webber \(2014\)](#). The estimates only apply to wage and salary earnings, and do not include other forms of compensation. Individuals who report no earnings or employment for the entire survey year are excluded from the sample. All numbers are presented in constant 2014 dollars. The figures in this table are based on all individuals with at least a college degree, and therefore include some students who hold advanced degrees (Master's, PhD, JD, MD, etc.). All majors for which there was sufficient sample size across age groups to reliably estimate conditional means and variances were included.