

Wages by major (5/24/2011)

Major Group	Median Wages	25th Percentile	75th Percentile	Popularity	Percent Obtaining Graduate Degree	Earnings Boost from Graduate Degree
Engineering	\$75,000	\$53,000	\$102,000	8.2%	37%	32%
Computers and mathematics	\$70,000	\$48,000	\$100,000	5.1%	32%	31%
Business	\$60,000	\$40,000	\$90,000	25.0%	21%	40%
Health	\$60,000	\$45,000	\$80,000	6.9%	31%	50%
Physical sciences	\$59,000	\$38,000	\$87,000	2.8%	48%	70%
Social science	\$55,000	\$38,000	\$87,000	6.9%	40%	57%
Agriculture and natural resources	\$50,000	\$35,000	\$75,000	1.6%	27%	35%
Communications and journalism	\$50,000	\$34,000	\$75,000	5.9%	20%	25%
Industrial arts and consumer services	\$50,000	\$33,000	\$75,000	1.6%	20%	35%
Law and public policy	\$50,000	\$36,000	\$74,000	2.3%	24%	45%
Biology and life science	\$50,000	\$35,000	\$75,000	3.5%	54%	101%
Humanities and liberal arts	\$47,000	\$32,000	\$70,000	9.7%	41%	48%
Arts	\$44,000	\$30,000	\$65,000	4.6%	23%	23%
Education	\$42,000	\$32,000	\$55,000	10.6%	44%	33%
Psychology and social work	\$42,000	\$30,000	\$62,000	5.4%	45%	43%

For more information, including earnings and demographic data for 171 specific majors, <http://cew.georgetown.edu/whatsitworth/>
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