

Median Earnings by Program, Degree, and Institution



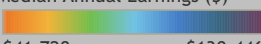
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| Institution University of Co.. | Group Every Group | Program All | Degree All | Median Annual Earnings (\$)  \$41,728 ————— \$130,446 |
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Table View

| Group | Program | Degree | Year1 Wage | Year5 Wage | Year10 Wage |
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| Every Group | Every Program | Bachelor's Degree | \$41,728 | \$52,922 | \$64,727 |
| | | Master's Degree | \$57,379 | \$68,308 | \$78,065 |
| | | Doctoral Degree | \$76,051 | \$112,839 | \$130,446 |

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Our Story

Since 2013, the Colorado Department of Higher Education has been working to develop earnings outcomes tools accessible to Colorado students and families.

This interactive tool depicts annual median earnings for Colorado graduates one, five and 10 years following the completion of a credential. This replaces the previous Edpays tool. Bear in mind that the earnings presented here better reflect a year in the life of a completer, and do not necessarily reflect the annual salary as contracted by employers, due to the methodology used to compile the data and data limitations.

You can use this tool to search for median earnings based on field of study, credential level and institution. The data represents graduates of Colorado public institutions, along with graduates of Regis University, Colorado Christian University and the University of Denver, between 2002 and 2017 who are now working in Colorado.

The postsecondary credential a student earns can provide a financial return on investment in the form of higher income and greater employment opportunities. A well-educated population is also critical for the economic vitality and social health of Colorado. In fact, 74 percent of Colorado's jobs in 2020 will require some type of postsecondary education.

Postsecondary education also delivers many benefits to students who attend America's colleges and universities and to society in general. For example, adults with postsecondary education tend to be healthier and live longer lives. And they tend to vote more and participate in civil society at higher rates—both of which are desirable outcomes in a democratic society.

But when students are asked about what they want from college, the most frequent responses focus on labor market outcomes, especially good careers and high earnings. This web-based tool provides some answers to questions about what certain degrees may be worth.

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Our Data

This tool includes median earnings 1, 5, and 10 years following credential completion for graduates who work in Colorado.

This data excludes wage outcomes for students who have re-enrolled in an institution of higher education. This data is reported on in-state students who match with wage data.