

Top 25% of certificates and degrees

A. Highest full-time job placement in the year after certificate or degree completion.

Masters	Counselor Education/School Counseling and Guidance Services.	100%
Bachelors	Health Information/Medical Records Administration/Administrator.	100%
Masters	Education, Other.	94%
Bachelors	Accounting.	93%
Masters	Educational/Instructional Technology.	93%
Associate	Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse.	91%
Bachelors	English/Language Arts Teacher Education.	90%
Masters	Elementary Education and Teaching.	85%
Bachelors	Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse.	85%
Masters	Education, General.	83%
Certificate	Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic).	81%
Masters	Educational Leadership and Administration, General.	80%
Certificate	Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training.	77%
Bachelors	Junior High/Intermediate/Middle School Education and Teaching.	75%
Bachelors	Social Studies Teacher Education.	73%
Bachelors	Early Childhood Education and Teaching.	71%
Associate	Occupational Therapist Assistant.	69%

B. Highest average annual earnings in the year after certificate or degree completion.

Associate	Nuclear Engineering Technology/Technician.	\$69,591
Bachelors	Mechanical Engineering.	\$65,195
Bachelors	Electrical and Electronics Engineering	\$64,413
Masters	Educational Leadership and Administration, General.	\$57,141
Bachelors	Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse.	\$52,918
Associate	Occupational Therapist Assistant.	\$50,708
Masters	Counselor Education/School Counseling and Guidance Services.	\$49,919
Masters	Educational/Instructional Technology.	\$48,836
Masters	Health Information/Medical Records Administration/Administrator.	\$48,738
Associate	Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse.	\$48,303
Masters	Crisis/Emergency/Disaster Management.	\$47,867
Bachelors	Accounting.	\$45,932
Masters	Elementary Education and Teaching.	\$44,988
Bachelors	Geology/Earth Science, General.	\$44,463
Bachelors	Agribusiness/Agricultural Business Operations.	\$42,200
Bachelors	Multi-/Interdisciplinary Studies, Other.	\$41,202
Masters	Education, General.	\$40,602

Bottom 10% of certificates and degrees

A. Lowest full-time job placement in the year after certificate or degree completion

Bachelors	Speech Communication and Rhetoric.	20%
Cert. of		
Prof.	Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement Administration.	23%
Certificate	Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician.	25%
Associate	Child Development	29%
Bachelors	Business/Managerial Economics.	29%
Bachelors	Geology/Earth Science, General.	30%
Certificate	Welding Technology/Welder.	32%

B. Lowest average annual earnings in the year after certificate or degree completion

Cert. of		
Prof.	Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement Administration.	\$16,082
Bachelors	Speech Communication and Rhetoric.	\$19,452
Certificate	Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General.	\$19,712
Bachelors	Graphic Design.	\$19,912
Bachelors	Music, General.	\$20,113
Bachelors	English Language and Literature, General.	\$21,067
Associate	Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General.	\$21,904

NOTES:

Earnings reported to the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services are quarterly totals, which do not include the hourly wage or the part-time/full-time status. To estimate the number (#) and percentage (%) of full-time workers in the first year following graduation, a minimum annual wage of \$12,000 and wages in all four quarters was used.

Additional employed graduates who do not report to the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services include federal employees, military, many self-employed, and anyone employed outside of Arkansas. Because of these other employment potential situations, these percentages should not be used to calculate unemployment rates.

The employment rates are also impacted by the diversity of students in higher education. Besides Arkansas residents, a large number of college students are from other states and from other countries. Upon completing their degrees, they may return to their communities outside of Arkansas to work.

Data compiled by the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services and the Arkansas Research Center, for the full report please visit <http://dws.arkansas.gov/News/PDF/Act%20852%20Economic%20Security%20Report.pdf>