

# Career Exploration Chart

<b>Occupation:</b>	
<b>Overview—Quick Facts</b>	
National Annual Salary Range	
Entry-Level Education	
Number of Jobs in 2016	
Expected Job Openings (2016-2026)	
National Outlook (2016-2026)	
<b>Salary &amp; Outlook</b>	
State/Region	
Yearly Statewide Salary Range	
<b>Majors to Explore</b>	
Majors	
Schools Offering These Majors	

## Comparison Chart

Include contact information where appropriate and indicate N/A in sections that do not apply to you.

**College Scorecard:** <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>

**College Navigator:** <http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>

**GI Bill Comparison Tool:** <https://www.va.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool/>

	Institution #1	Institution #2
<b>Section 4: Choosing an Institution</b>		
Name and website		
Public, private nonprofit, or private for-profit		
Size: Undergraduate population Graduate population		
Degree programs of interest		
Methods of instruction (in-person, online, hybrid)		

	Institution #1	Institution #2
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FACTOR: Quality</b>		
Type of institutional accreditation (Regional or National)		
Specialized accreditation		
Internships		
Job placement		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FACTOR: Student Outcomes</b>		
Retention rate		
Graduation rate		
Average salary		
Loan repayment rate		

	Institution #1	Institution #2
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FACTOR: Location</b> (city, suburban, town, rural)		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FACTOR: Veteran Student Support</b>		
Number of veterans on campus		
Single point of contact for veterans		
Credit for military training		
School Certifying Official(s) (name, phone, email, location)		
Veteran Program Director (name, phone, email, location)		
Student veteran group contact (name, phone, email, location)		

	Institution #1	Institution #2
On-campus resources for veterans		
Cautionary information (GI Bill Comparison Tool)		
Complaints		

	Institution #1	Institution #2
<b>Section 5: Gaining Admission</b>		
Admission contact person (Name, phone, email, location)		
Admission application deadline for _____ semester/quarter		
Application fee/waiver available		
First-time or transfer student		
Transfer student requirements		
Transfer credit contact person (name, phone, email, location)		

	Institution #1	Institution #2
Articulation agreement(s)		
Application package		
School application/Common Application		
Essay/Statement of purpose		
Entrance exam		
Transcripts		
Recommendations—list recommenders and contact information		



	Institution #1	Institution #2
Interview		
Resume		
Other (portfolio/audition)		
Placement exam		
<b>Section 6: Funding Your Education</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FACTOR: Cost</b>		
GI Bill accepted		
In-state or out-of-state tuition		
Annual maximum tuition benefit		
Annual in-state tuition & fees		
Housing allowance		
Book stipend		



	Institution #1	Institution #2
Yellow Ribbon Program		
# awards/year		
Restrictions on level of study (undergraduate/graduate)		
Restrictions on major		
Amount of funds available/year		
# years available		
Requirements for renewal		
FAFSA—school deadline		
Scholarships		
Military-connected scholarship		

	<b>Institution #1</b>	<b>Institution #2</b>
State scholarship		
Other scholarship		
Graduate students: Fellowships/Assistantships		