There are many ways of understanding the value of a college education in the humanities. Drawing on American Community Survey data, this profile explores humanities majors’ career outcomes: what they do for work, how much they earn, and how they compare to graduates from other fields.

31,738 humanities majors reside in Oklahoma and work full-time. They represent 2% of the state’s full-time workers.

**Earnings**

Annual Earnings of College-Educated Workers (Full-Time), by Undergraduate Major

- **Engineering**: $54,655
- **Natural Sciences**: $54,764
- **Business**: $54,655
- **Humanities**: $48,971
- **Behavioral & Social Sciences**: $47,377
- **Arts**: $50,293
- **Education**: $39,137

**MEDIAN EARNINGS OF HUMANITIES MAJORS**

- **$33,186** workers aged 22–26
- **$51,496** bachelor’s degree only
- **$57,922** workers aged 30–59
- **$65,586** advanced degree in any field

See back for information on humanities graduates’ employment.
All of the estimates presented here are derived from the American Community Survey 5-Year Public Use Microdata Sample (2017–2021). Unless otherwise specified, earnings and unemployment estimates are for workers aged 25–59.

Additional information (including earnings estimates by gender, race/ethnicity, and humanities discipline) and our methodology are available at:

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