# Tennessee's Humanities Majors: What They Do

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.

**78,266** humanities majors reside in Tennessee and work full-time.

They represent 3% of the state's full-time workers.

### **Earnings**

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



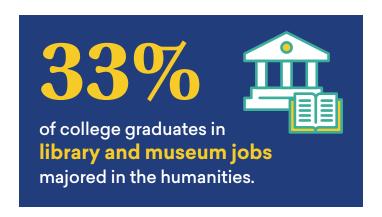
#### MEDIAN EARNINGS OF HUMANITIES MAJORS

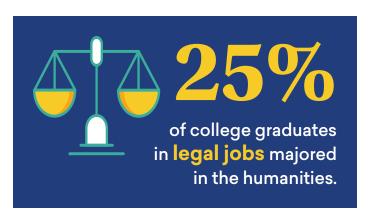




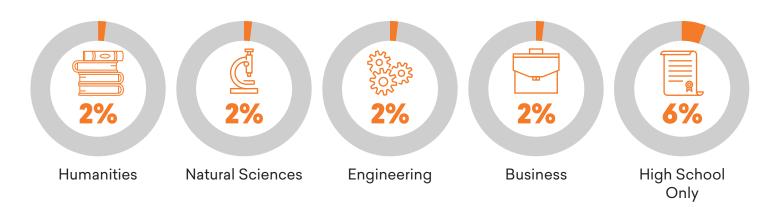
#### **Occupations**

#### **Humanities Graduates** All College Graduates Education 15% 18% 17% Service & Sales 14% 15% Management 15% 10% Office & Administrative Support 8% 8% 10% **Business & Finance** 6% 3% Arts, Design, Entertainment, & Media 5% Legal 2% 20% Other 32%





## **Unemployment by College Major**



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:



