



Human Sciences and Education Career Ladder

Education & Training; Government & Public Administration; Human Services; Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security

Now

Less than high school + work experience, on-the-job training, or apprenticeship; or High school diploma/equivalent

Occupation	Entry Wage	Average Wage	Annual Openings
Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	\$10.58	\$17.79	458
Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	\$19.64	\$27.82	213
Correctional Officers and Jailers	\$15.79	\$20.20	173
Construction and Building Inspectors	\$19.06	\$26.59	39

Next

Some college, no degree; Postsecondary non-degree award; Associate degree; or Bachelor's degree

Occupation	Entry Wage	Average Wage	Annual Openings
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	\$42,275*	\$56,298*	865
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	\$15.29	\$22.80	170
Health Educators	\$14.10	\$22.88	108
Occupational Health and Safety Specialists	\$20.87	\$32.14	46

* Annual wages shown when hourly wages not available; annual wages can be converted to an approximate hourly rate by dividing the annual wages by 2,080 hours

Later

Bachelor's degree + on-the-job training, work experience, or internship/residency; Master's degree; or Doctoral/professional degree

Occupation	Entry Wage	Average Wage	Annual Openings
Lawyers	\$26.76	\$53.20	215
Educational, Guidance, School, and Vocational Counselors	\$18.94	\$28.57	213
Mental Health Counselors	\$16.69	\$24.50	148
Appraisers and Assessors of Real Estate	\$13.88	\$25.97	56

More data can be found at NEworks.nebraska.gov; click *Labor Market Analysis*.

Equal Opportunity Program/Employer TDD: 800.833.7352

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

Entry-level wages are defined as the average (mean) wage earned by the lowest third of all workers in the selected occupation.

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Wages from Occupational Employment Statistics, 4th Quarter 2017

Annual openings from 2016-2026 Long-term Occupational Projections

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