

What You Can Do With A Major In ...

Ethnic Studies

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Career Opportunities:

The multicultural emphasis of the Ethnic Studies program has attracted many persons currently employed in public school systems, social services and human relations, as well as professionals whose jobs involve interpersonal situations with multiracial groups. Students who transfer and complete a Bachelor's degree in ethnic studies can pursue careers in the arts, business, city planning, creative writing, education at all levels, international relations, journalism, law, medicine, politics, psychology, public health, research, and social work. In addition, Ethnic Studies courses allow public school teachers the opportunity to meet California State requirements in ethnic studies.

Typical Job Titles: Curator, Deportation Officer, Freelance Writer, Immigration Inspector, Interpreters & Translators, Public Administrators, Public Relations Worker, Social Program Planner, Social Scientist, University & College Professor, Urban & Regional Planner

Places of Employment: Non-Profit, Private, or Professional Organizations, Federal, State, or Local Governments

Salary Information: Interpreters and Translators

Annual Wages for 2013	Low (25th percentile)	Median (50th percentile)	High (75th percentile)
California	\$35,254	\$47,798	\$64,996

Source: EDD/LMID Occupational Employment Statistics Survey, 2013 Wages do not reflect self-employment.

Estimated Employment and Projected Growth Interpreters and Translators					
Geographic Area (Estimated Year-Projected Year)	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Additional Openings Due to Net Replacements
California (2010-2020)	8,900	11,500	2,600	29.2	2,400

Source: EDD/LMID Projections of Employment by Occupation

Students should meet with a CSM Counselor once a semester to update their Student Education Plan (SEP) and to ensure that they are on track to meet educational goals in a timely manner. For further Career counseling assistance in the selection of a major, contact the academic Counseling Department at 650-574-6400, or come in person to Building 10, 3rd Floor, Room 340.