

What You Can Do With A Major In ...

Architecture

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Career Opportunities:

Most architecture majors, after completing their studies and obtaining their Professional Degree, will choose to obtain their license to practice architecture and go into private practice as owners of their own firm. As practitioners, they will service a wide variety of clientele: private, business, institutional, and governmental. Others may elect to find employment in existing architectural firms, as members of their teams, in the design and development of the built environment. Some may elect to do advance work in fields such as art, historic restoration, product development, government, politics, business administration, law, education, medicine, research, land development, the military, etc. Others find opportunities in related fields that utilize the technical and problem-solving skills obtained from their architectural education.

Typical Job Titles: Architects, Civil Engineers, Drafters, Estimators, Interior Designers and Decorators, Landscape Architects, Model Makers, Urban and Regional Planners

Places of Employment: Business/Professional Organizations, Consulting Firms, Federal, State, and Local Governments

Salary Info For: Architectural and Civil Drafter

Annual Wages for 2013	Low (25th percentile)	Median (50th percentile)	High (75th percentile)
California	\$44,714	\$56,409	\$69,651
San Francisco Bay Area	\$47,972	\$63,844	\$77,300

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

The San Francisco Bay Area includes Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo counties.

Estimated Employment and Projected Growth Architectural and Civil Drafters					
Geographic Area (Estimated Year-Projected Year)	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Additional Openings Due to Net Replacements
California (2010-2020)	12,700	12,600	-100	-0.8	2,500
San Francisco Bay Area (2010-2020)	1,200	1,170	-30	-2.5	230

Source: EDD/LMID Projections of Employment by Occupation

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Students should meet with a CSM Academic 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 Counseling Department at 650-574-6400, or come in person to Building 10, 3rd Floor, Room 340, and ask for Career Counseling. Additionally, explore 2500+ careers on www.Eureka.org. CSM Code: JXHLXRL.