

What You Can Do With A Major In ...

Drafting Technologies

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Career Opportunities: Drafting is common to all manufacturing and construction activities. The drafter interprets the engineer's ideas, presenting them in the language of manufacturing and construction. Recognized as one of the finest Drafting programs in the state, CSM's instructors have recent industry experience and classrooms are equipped with the latest equipment, including computer-aided drafting (CAD) stations. A graduate of CSM's Drafting Technology program may select from several enviable opportunities. The graduate may immediately enter industry as a draftsman with the potential to become a designer or may opt to continue their education at a state university for a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Technology, becoming eligible for technical management positions.

Typical Job Titles: Architectural Drafters, Civil CAD Technicians, CAD Operators, Drafting Technicians

Places of Employment: Federal, State, and Local Governments, Manufacturing Organizations, Construction Firms, Contracting Organizations

Sample Job Salary: Architectural or 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 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.