

Pathways After a Bachelor's Degree in

Liberal Arts

Educational Attainment, Common Occupations, and Synthetic Work-Life Earnings Estimates



Finished college.

All holders of liberal arts degrees (aged 25–64 and working full-time, year-round)

\$2,376,0001.5 million people

Continued on to advanced degree in any field.

Bachelor's Degree

Work-Life Earnings **\$2,046,000**



Master's Degree

Work-Life Earnings **\$2,448,000**



Professional Degree

Work-Life Earnings \$4,088,000



Doctorate Degree

Work-Life Earnings \$2,705,000



How much can you earn?

Finished college.

Bachelor's \$2.0

Elementary school teachers \$2.0

Clergy \$1.6

Supervisors, retail \$1.9

Administrative assistants \$1.5

Sales, wholesale and manufacturing \$3.3

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1 =25,000 people

Note: Synthetic work-life earnings are created by adding annual earnings between age 25 and 64. For more information on these numbers please see www.census.gov/hhes/socdemo/education/data/acs/infographics/faqs.html.

Source: 2010 American Community Survey.

