



Fact Sheet

On Higher Education

Undergraduate Degrees Conferred, by Field of Study and Gender: 2009-10

Degree and Fields	Totals	Male	Female
Associate's Degrees			
Arts & Humanities	290,278	24.4%	75.6%
Social Sciences	59,004	54.1%	45.9%
Biological / Life Sciences	8,558	36.1%	63.9%
Business	133,371	13.8%	86.2%
Education	17,048	14.6%	85.4%
Health Professions	177,686	76.6%	23.4%
Math, Computer Science, & Engineering	36,025	61.6%	38.4%
Physical Sciences	4,140	91.6%	8.4%
Other / Vocational / Technical	27,169	35.0%	65.0%
Bachelor's Degrees			
Architecture	10,051	56.7%	43.3%
Arts & Humanities	171,042	38.3%	61.7%
Social Sciences	358,762	36.3%	63.7%
Biological / Life Sciences	112,736	43.8%	56.2%
Business	358,293	51.2%	48.8%
Education	101,265	20.5%	79.5%
Health Professions	129,634	14.9%	85.1%
Math, Computer Science, & Engineering	128,273	78.6%	21.4%
Physical Sciences	23,379	59.3%	40.7%
Other / Vocational / Technical	38,824	58.1%	41.9%

The following categories include multiple fields of study: Arts & Humanities (communication and journalism, foreign languages, literature, and linguistics; liberal arts and sciences; general studies and humanities; library sciences; philosophy, theology and religious studies); Social Sciences (ethnic, cultural, and gender studies; family and consumer sciences; legal professions and studies; multi/interdisciplinary studies; psychology; public administration and social services; history; social sciences); Biological / Life Sciences (agriculture; natural resources and conservation; biological and biomedical sciences); Physical Sciences (physical sciences; science technologists/technicians); and Other/Vocational/Technical (personal and culinary services; parks, recreation, leisure, and fitness studies; security and protective services; construction trades; mechanics and repairers; precision production; transportation)

Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, Completion Survey Fall 2010.