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Date: _____



Key Takeaway

Different post-secondary degrees will lead to different career pathways.



Do Now: Match the post-secondary degree type with its correct definition.
It is OK to guess.

Degree Type	Definition
Vocational Certification	a. This degree is given by a college upon completion of an undergraduate studies program, it usually takes 4 years to complete.
Associate’s Degree	b. Provides an intensive, focused training that prepares learners for work in a specific trade such as plumbing or vet technology. Some programs can take as little as 6 months to complete.
Bachelor’s Degree	c. This degree is granted, after a two-year course of study, by a community or junior college.

Notes:

HUMAN SERVICES CAREERS

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA/ GED

HOME HEALTH AIDE

Duties: Assist clients in daily self-care tasks, transport to doctor's office and keep clients company

Other Requirements: certain training hours, varies by state

Average Hourly Wage: \$12

VOCATIONAL CERTIFICATION

COSMETOLOGIST/ BARBER

Duties: Provide hair and beauty services to clients, maintain cleanliness of environment

Other Requirements: Active license from Barber or Cosmetology school

Average Hourly Wage: \$13-\$20
(varies greatly by location)

ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE

MASSAGE THERAPIST

Duties: Evaluate clients' ailments, manipulate muscles, provide clients with guidance on stretching, strengthening, and relaxing body

Other Requirements: Licensing Examination (MBLEX)

Average Hourly Wage: \$22

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

COMMUNITY SOCIAL WORKER

Duties: Understand clients' needs, connect clients to resources in the community, write grants, raise funds

Other Requirements: may require additional certification after Bachelor's

Average Hourly Wage: \$25

CONSTRUCTION & CARPENTRY CAREERS

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA/ GED

CARPENTER

Duties: Build, install, and repair structures made of wood, steel, and concrete

Other Requirements: 4-years on-the-job training

Average Hourly Wage:
\$21 Apprentice
\$36 Journey-person

VOCATIONAL CERTIFICATION

PLUMBER

Duties: Work on heating, water, or drainage systems in homes, businesses, or factories

Other Requirements: 5-years on-the-job training

Average Hourly Wage:
\$20 Apprentice
\$37 Journey-person

ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE

OPERATING ENGINEER

Duties: Drive and control heavy machinery used to build roads, bridges, and buildings

Other Requirements: Valid driver's license and 3-4 years of on-the-job training

Average Hourly Wage:
\$27 Apprentice
\$45 Journey-person

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATOR

Duties: Calculate the time, money, materials, and labor required for construction projects

Other Requirements: Understanding of data analysis and technology

Average Hourly Wage:
\$27 Apprentice
\$47 Journey-person

Extend Activity

Occupation (Career)	Degree Needed	Why are you interested in this career?