Why Earn Your Degree?

Avg. median annual salary increases with degrees earned

\$100.000+ doctorate degree \$63,000 master's degree \$55,700 bachelor's degree associate degree \$42.000 \$32.500 high school diploma



However, area of study and career field have a huge example, an associate degree holder that works in water quality management or sonography will usually earn more than someone with a master's degree who works in education or social work.

Money isn't everything! Degrees tend improve career and life quality



higher career satisfaction more advancement opportunities jobs with more generous benefits targeted fields of interest

- survive recessions better
- more satisfaction in life
- a better sense of well-being
- · able to provide for families better



Avg. weekly salary per degree \$1623 doctorate degree \$1329 master's degree \$1108 bachelor's degree \$777 associate degree \$651 high school diploma



Unemployment rate per degree 7.5% high school diploma 5.4% associate degree 4.0% bachelor's degree 3.4% master's degree 2.2% doctorate degree

The true value of an educational investment

Lifetime earnings for the following include:



high school diploma associate degree bachelor's degree \$2.7 million master's degree \$3.7 million doctorate degree

Is your degree really worth it?

\$8.5K

\$40K

\$28.5 K

Tuition investment Lifetime earnings with degree

Two-year RRCC degree Four-year university degree 2 yrs at RRCC + 2 yrs at university

\$1 million

\$1 million

\$500k

Higher earning potential, job stability, increased well-being...We think so!

Data comes from US Bureau of Labor and Statistics and US Cenusus Bureau based on 2013 projetions and research. Degree costs come from ColoradoInCollege.org. "Resident tuition and fees" are for Colorado public schools based upon full-time enrollment (15 credit hours each semester) for academic year 2014-2015, not including summer and reflects COF deduction. Room and board are not included in these investment costs.

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