

Engineering Employment Summary 2011-2012

Summary	Range	Average
Base Salary – Bachelor's	\$30,000 – \$123,000	\$66,848
Base Salary – Master's	\$45,000 – \$115,000	\$73,571
Base Salary – PhD	\$47,000 – \$127,000	\$96,103

Salary Acceptance by Major – Bachelor's	Range	Average	NACE Average*	UIUC '12 Median	NACE '12 Median
Aerospace Engineering	\$40,000 – \$78,000	\$63,681	\$54,411	\$65,000	\$64,000
Agricultural & Biological Engineering	\$49,000 – \$64,320	\$59,500	\$44,333	\$61,000	N/A
Bioengineering	\$42,000 – \$67,589	\$53,718	\$55,197	\$52,000	\$41,800
Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering	\$50,000 – \$94,000	\$68,460	\$66,886	\$69,000	\$63,000
Civil & Environmental Engineering	\$45,000 – \$60,000	\$54,600	\$48,178	\$58,000	\$55,300
Computer Engineering	\$42,500 – \$95,000	\$71,600	\$60,112	\$70,000	\$67,800
Computer Science	\$30,000 – \$102,500	\$81,118	\$63,017	\$90,000	\$64,400
Electrical Engineering	\$48,000 – \$105,000	\$66,865	\$60,646	\$69,500	\$57,300
General Engineering (Systems & Technology)	\$50,000 – \$67,000	\$60,606	\$57,497	\$62,400	N/A
Industrial Engineering	\$55,000 – \$70,000	\$62,644	\$58,549	\$63,300	\$58,300
Materials Science & Engineering	\$45,000 – \$65,000	\$57,750	\$60,188	\$61,000	N/A
Mechanical Engineering/Engineering Mechanics	\$52,000 – \$95,000	\$64,507	\$60,739	\$64,000	\$58,600
Nuclear, Plasma, and Radiological Engineering	\$48,000 – \$80,000	\$63,622	\$60,679	\$62,700	N/A

Salary Acceptance by Discipline – Master's	Range	Average	NACE Average*
Aerospace Engineering	\$64,068 – \$75,000	\$71,189	\$69,667
Civil & Environmental Engineering	\$45,000 – \$79,000	\$61,724	\$55,500
Computer Science	\$82,000 – \$105,000	\$91,400	\$70,681
Electrical Engineering	\$60,500 – \$115,000	\$83,455	\$72,478
Mechanical Engineering	\$48,000 – \$96,400	\$71,034	\$65,984

Salary Acceptance by Discipline – PhD	Range	Average	NACE Average*
Computer Science	\$49,914 – \$125,000	\$95,729	\$82,542
Electrical Engineering	\$75,000 – \$110,000	\$95,310	\$90,374

Historical Bachelor's Salaries

Past history of average BS annual salaries:

- 2010-2011 – \$64,836
- 2009-2010 – \$63,148
- 2008-2009 – \$63,777
- 2007-2008 – \$61,035

Other Information

- Average Signing Bonus for 2011-2012 graduates for full-time hire – \$7,239
- 34% of students were offered a signing bonus
- Average intern salary: \$21 per hour

Salary information is based on data self-reported to Engineering Career Services by students on a voluntary basis. To maintain confidentiality of the data, information is included only for those disciplines/majors for which adequate reports were received.

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