

Table 261.—Degrees conferred by institutions of higher education, by control of institution, level of degree, and discipline division: 1995–96

Discipline division	Public institutions				Private institutions			
	Associate degrees	Bachelor's degrees	Master's degrees	Doctor's degrees	Associate degrees	Bachelor's degrees	Master's degrees	Doctor's degrees
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Total	454,291	774,070	227,179	29,516	100,925	390,722	179,122	15,136
Agriculture and natural resources ¹	5,826	19,933	3,895	1,243	356	1,498	674	28
Architecture and related programs	248	6,191	2,776	96	8	2,161	1,217	45
Area, ethnic, and cultural studies	92	3,088	990	84	19	2,698	723	100
Biological sciences/life sciences	1,961	39,634	4,296	3,291	76	21,360	1,861	1,489
Business ²	73,694	135,342	37,156	917	33,474	91,760	56,826	451
Communications	1,357	33,139	2,666	276	830	14,181	2,414	62
Communications technologies	1,590	420	102	0	167	263	422	7
Computer and information sciences	6,811	14,627	5,705	546	2,847	9,471	4,446	321
Construction trades	1,562	24	0	0	579	56	0	0
Education	8,593	78,471	67,562	5,082	1,157	27,038	38,691	1,594
Engineering	1,756	47,068	18,610	4,531	441	15,046	8,831	1,838
Engineering-related technologies	20,926	10,906	919	11	12,076	4,283	206	0
English language and literature/letters	1,225	34,023	5,817	1,172	85	16,675	2,076	363
Foreign languages and literatures	380	9,070	2,356	524	227	4,882	768	352
Health professions and related sciences	84,257	54,666	19,091	1,568	17,615	29,370	14,307	551
Home economics and vocational home economics	7,862	13,568	1,544	274	330	2,235	1,373	140
Law and legal studies	5,807	1,205	588	9	3,299	847	2,163	82
Liberal arts and sciences, general studies, and humanities	164,685	20,904	1,118	32	10,285	13,093	1,660	43
Library science	92	46	4,208	50	2	12	891	3
Mathematics	725	8,694	3,056	845	33	4,449	975	364
Mechanics and repairers	10,164	43	0	0	2,360	11	0	0
Multi/interdisciplinary studies	8,517	20,500	1,590	193	94	6,015	757	248
Parks, recreation, leisure, and fitness studies	808	10,788	1,433	101	128	3,195	318	3
Philosophy and religion	34	3,025	504	218	49	4,363	798	331
Physical sciences and science technologies	2,553	12,764	4,299	3,235	59	6,883	1,548	1,336
Precision production trades	6,466	379	0	0	3,751	22	8	0
Protective services	18,368	19,725	1,084	37	828	5,085	728	1
Psychology	1,441	48,612	5,941	1,881	142	24,679	7,851	1,830
Public administration and services	3,847	14,288	14,551	287	371	5,561	9,678	212
R.O.T.C. and military technologies	551	3	136	0	5	4	0	0
Social sciences and history	3,678	82,705	9,557	2,344	343	43,774	5,455	1,416
Theological studies/religious vocations	0	0	0	0	608	5,358	5,107	1,521
Transportation and material moving workers	1,255	1,677	106	0	316	1,884	813	0
Visual and performing arts	6,726	28,542	5,523	669	6,808	20,754	4,757	398
Not classified by field of study	434	0	0	0	1,157	1,756	780	7

¹ Includes "Agricultural business and production," "Agricultural sciences," and "Conservation and renewable natural resources."

² Includes "Business management and administrative services," "Marketing operations/marketing and distribution," and "Consumer and personal services."

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, "Completions" survey, 1995–96 and "Consolidated" survey 1996. (This table was prepared May 1998.)