

Table 268.—Master's degrees conferred by institutions of higher education, by racial/ethnic group, major field of study, and sex of student: 1995–96

Major field of study	Total							Men							Women						
	Total	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Non-resident alien	Total	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Non-resident alien	Total	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Non-resident alien
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
All fields, total¹	405,521	297,558	25,801	14,412	18,161	1,778	47,811	178,661	124,514	8,442	5,833	9,373	704	29,795	226,860	173,044	17,359	8,579	8,788	1,074	18,016
Agriculture and natural resources	4,569	3,334	116	101	124	15	879	2,650	1,922	63	59	50	6	550	1,919	1,412	53	42	74	9	329
Architecture and related programs	3,993	2,664	142	187	248	11	741	2,361	1,607	73	97	136	6	442	1,632	1,057	69	90	112	5	299
Area, ethnic, and cultural studies	1,713	1,198	115	99	98	24	179	798	558	38	60	42	9	91	915	640	77	39	56	15	88
Biological sciences/life sciences	6,157	4,262	207	161	533	17	977	2,902	2,044	79	69	246	9	455	3,255	2,218	128	92	287	8	522
Business	93,982	65,685	5,753	2,938	5,417	302	13,887	58,685	41,964	2,611	1,800	3,194	184	8,932	35,297	23,721	3,142	1,138	2,223	118	4,955
Communications	5,080	3,471	406	146	170	14	873	1,900	1,326	108	60	55	7	344	3,180	2,145	298	86	115	7	529
Communications technologies	524	297	26	15	20	4	162	271	167	12	8	7	2	75	253	130	14	7	13	2	87
Computer and information sciences	10,151	4,382	406	178	1,321	25	3,839	7,444	3,384	221	129	829	18	2,863	2,707	998	185	49	492	7	976
Construction trades	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Education	106,253	87,310	8,557	4,628	1,833	598	3,327	25,214	20,376	1,991	1,110	464	159	1,114	81,039	66,934	6,566	3,518	1,369	439	2,213
Engineering	27,441	14,250	704	707	2,755	59	8,966	22,735	11,972	484	546	2,103	54	7,576	4,706	2,278	220	161	652	5	1,390
Engineering-related technologies	1,125	843	62	36	45	3	136	906	682	44	27	37	2	114	219	161	18	9	8	1	22
English language and literature/letters	7,893	6,736	292	228	223	48	366	2,814	2,410	85	95	68	20	136	5,079	4,326	207	133	155	28	230
Foreign languages and literatures	3,124	2,054	55	322	117	12	564	1,017	692	23	99	31	4	168	2,107	1,362	32	223	86	8	396
Health professions and related sciences	33,398	27,008	1,875	996	1,832	156	1,531	7,021	5,122	311	235	670	41	642	26,377	21,886	1,564	761	1,162	115	889
Home economics and vocational home economics	2,917	2,293	192	94	74	24	240	496	374	38	15	9	6	54	2,421	1,919	154	79	65	18	186
Law and legal studies	2,751	1,245	119	79	100	10	1,198	1,751	791	53	56	59	6	786	1,000	454	66	23	41	4	412
Liberal arts and sciences, general studies, and humanities	2,778	2,347	136	70	54	10	161	961	791	46	24	21	4	75	1,817	1,556	90	46	33	6	86
Library science	5,099	4,411	211	116	146	15	200	1,071	928	31	34	31	2	45	4,028	3,483	180	82	115	13	155
Mathematics	4,031	2,430	165	92	256	7	1,081	2,465	1,459	86	59	145	6	710	1,566	971	79	33	111	1	371
Multi/interdisciplinary studies	2,347	1,865	119	73	85	11	194	1,082	848	40	38	31	7	118	1,265	1,017	79	35	54	4	76
Parks, recreation, leisure and fitness studies	1,751	1,483	124	36	17	8	83	911	773	54	22	9	3	50	840	710	70	14	8	5	33
Philosophy and religion	1,302	1,067	37	39	34	2	123	845	682	21	26	26	0	90	457	385	16	13	8	2	33
Physical sciences and science technologies	5,847	3,548	123	102	327	10	1,737	3,966	2,459	63	69	182	6	1,187	1,881	1,089	60	33	145	4	550
Precision production trades	8	6	1	0	0	0	1	6	4	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Protective services	1,812	1,437	240	64	25	11	35	1,151	957	118	30	14	9	23	661	480	122	34	11	2	12
Psychology	13,792	11,249	992	682	346	84	439	3,813	3,157	254	173	82	23	124	9,979	8,092	738	509	264	61	315
Public administration and services	24,229	17,968	3,004	1,267	713	165	1,112	6,927	4,989	753	378	227	49	531	17,302	12,979	2,251	889	486	116	581
R.O.T.C. and military technologies	136	127	5	0	1	0	3	132	123	5	0	1	0	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
Social sciences and history	15,012	10,339	911	511	530	80	2,641	8,093	5,637	380	273	269	32	1,502	6,919	4,702	531	238	261	48	1,139
Theological studies and religious vocations	5,107	3,858	298	95	242	9	605	3,056	2,314	159	50	136	6	391	2,051	1,544	139	45	106	3	214
Transportation and material moving workers	919	830	26	26	19	5	13	856	784	20	22	17	5	8	63	46	6	4	2	0	5
Visual and performing arts	10,280	7,561	382	324	456	39	1,518	4,361	3,218	177	170	182	19	595	5,919	4,343	205	154	274	20	923

¹ Reported racial/ethnic distributions of students by level of degree, field of degree, and sex were used to estimate race/ethnicity for students whose race/ethnicity was not reported. Excludes 420 men and 360 women whose racial/ethnic group and field of study were not available.

NOTE.—To facilitate trend comparisons, certain aggregations have been made of the degree fields as reported in the IPEDS "Completions" survey: "Agriculture and natural resources" includes Agricultural business and production,

Agricultural sciences, and Conservation and renewable natural resources; and "Business" 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 (IPEDS), "Completions" survey. (This table was prepared June 1998.)