

What can I do with a major in Mathematics?

Overview

- Mathematics is a discipline and art that is elegant and challenging, requiring ingenuity as well as logic. First of all, mathematics is a fascinating study in its own right. Based upon pure reasoning, it has a permanence not found in other fields—the Pythagorean Theorem is as valid now as it was thousands of years ago. However, far from being an exercise in cold computation, mathematics is a creative endeavor. It deals with real numbers as well as complex numbers, three dimensions as well as infinite dimensions (even fractional dimensions).
- Mathematics is relevant in today's society. Its properties and methods are used to address and solve a myriad of real-world problems. It has applications in everyday life as well as a wide variety of fields such as physics, business, art, chemistry, music and economics. With its combination of imagination and formal logic, a major in mathematics helps prepare students for careers in education, actuarial science, engineering, computer science and law.

Accountant	Econometrician	 Pollution Meteorologist
Actuary	Economist	 Production Manager
Aerospace Engineer	EDP Auditor	 Production Support
Air Traffic Controller	 Employee Relations 	■ Professor
 Applications Programmer 	■ Engineer	Programmer/Analyst
Applied Science Technologist	 Engineering Lab Technician 	■ Psychometrician
• Appraiser	 Environmental Technologist 	 Public Health Statistician
Architect	■ Equity Trader	■ Purchasing/Contract Agent
Artificial Intelligence	■ Estate Planner	 Quality Assurance Analyst
Asset-Liability Management	■ External Auditor	■ Rate Analyst
• Astronomer	■ Financial Auditor	■ Research Analyst
• Attorney	Financial Consultant	Researcher
• Auditor	 Financial Manager 	 Risk & Insurance Specialist
 Banking/Credit/Investment 	 Foreign-Exchange Trader 	Risk Analyst
Manager	c c	•
Benefits Administrator	 Hydro Geologist 	 Robotics Programmer
 Biometrician/ Biostatistician 	Hydrologist	 Satellite Communications
Budget Analyst	 Industrial/Institutional Buyer 	Securities Analyst
Cartographer	Information Scientist	Securities Broker
CIA/FBI Agent	Insurance Agent/Broker	Seismologist
Claims Adjuster	 International Trade Specialist 	Software Developer
Commodity Manager	 Inventory Control Specialist 	 Software Engineer
Compensation/BenefitsAdministrator	Investment Banker	 Software Support Specialist
Computer Consultant	 IRS Investigator/Agent 	 Statistical Analyst
Computer Engineer	■ Lawyer	Statistician
 Computer Facilities Manager 	 Loan/Credit Officer 	Stockbroker
 Computer Installation 	 Market Research Analyst 	Surveyor
 Computer Marketing 	 Mathematical Researcher 	Systems Analyst
Representative		
 Computer Programmer 	Mathematician	Systems Engineer
Computer Scientist	Mathematics Editor	Systems Programmer
 Computer-Aided Design Technician 	Media Buyer	■ Teacher
Contract Administrator	Metallurgist	 Technical Support Representative
Controller	Meteorologist	 Technical Writer



CAREER & PROFESSIONAL

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 Corporate Finance Analyst 	 Mortgage Researcher 	Textbook Editor
 Cost Estimator/Analyst 	 Network Programmer 	 Transportation Planner
 Credit/Loan Officer 	Numerical Analyst	 Treasury Management Specialist
 Cryptographer/Cryptologist 	 Operations Research Analyst 	Trust Analyst
 Data Control Administrator 	Optician	Underwriter
 Data Processing Manager 	 Payroll Manager 	Urban Planner
 Database Manager 	Pharmacologist	Value Engineer
 Demographer 	Physicist	Weight Analyst
 Developer of Educational Tools 		

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 Aerospace Companies 	■ Engineering Firms	 Research & Development Firms
 Aircraft/Missile Manufacturers 	Financial Institutions	Research Agencies
Airlines	■ Government Agencies	Sales Firms
■ Banks	Hospitals	 Savings & Loan Associations
 Bureau of Labor Statistics 	 Insurance Companies 	School Systems
■ Central Intelligence Agency	■ Investment Firms	Securities Firms
 Chemical and Pharmaceutical Manufacturers 	 Justice Department 	■ Software Support Firms
 Colleges & Universities 	Library of Congress	 Stock Brokerage Houses
■ Computer Firms	■ Local & State Planning Offices	 Systems Analyst Companies
 Computer Sciences Corporations 	 Manufacturing Firms 	 Systems Engineer Companies
 Corporate Systems Programs 	 Market Research Firms 	Technical Journals
Data Analyst Firms	 Mortgage Companies 	 Test Development Corporations
 Defense Logistics Agency 	■ NASA	 Textbook Publishing Companies
 Defense Mapping Agency 	 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 	 Transportation Department
 Department of Commerce 	 National Security Agency 	U.S. Customs Service
 Department of Defense 	 Nonprofit Organizations 	U.S. Information Agency
■ Department of Energy	 Pharmaceutical Companies 	 Veterans Administration
 Drug Enforcement Administration 	 Private Organizations 	 Weights and Measures Office
■ Energy System Firms	■ Real Estate Firms	

Skills

 Ability to analyze & interpret data 	 Detail oriented 	 Organizational skills
 Ability to initiate projects 	Efficient	Problem solving
 Ability to relate to many different people 	■ Excellent listening skills	 Programming and computing
 Adapting ideas 	Flexible	Reliable
 Advanced quantitative skills 	 Formulate and solve problems 	 Seeing connections between ideas
 Arguing logically 	Gathering Information	Self-confidence
 Comparing and summarizing 	 Good verbal and written skills 	Systemizing skills
 Computer literacy 	Highly motivated	Team skills
Critical thinking	 Logical thinking 	 Testing skills
Defining issues	 Mathematical modeling and simulation 	Weighing values
 Designing/directing projects 	 Numerical computation 	Well disciplined

Salary

NACE (National Association of Colleges and Employers) Summer 2012 Salary Survey Average Offers:

Mathematics Bachelor's Degree: \$47,000

The job titles and employers listed below are a sample of the results from the annual St. Norbert College Career Services graduate follow-up survey for the Classes of 2003-2010.

Graduate Information: Job Titles				
2nd Lieutenant	 Customer Service Representative 	 Sales Clerk 		
Actuary	Financial Analyst	Substitute Teacher		
 Administrative Assistant 	High School Math Teacher	Teacher		
 Claims Support Representative 	Math Teacher	Technology Center		
		Manager/Teacher		
Contract Auditor	Pension Analyst	 Volunteer Coordinator 		

Graduate Information: Employers

 American Express 	■ Freedom Area School District	Old Navy
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AmeriCorps	 Green Bay Area Public Schools 	 Pulaski School District
 Brillion Public Schools 	 Greendale School District 	 Stillwater Public Schools
■ Caremark	 Hortonville Area School District 	 Trade Associates Group
 Community Financial Group 	■ Humana	■ U.S. Army
 De LaSalle Institute 	Mercer Human Resource	
	Consulting	