

Table 290. Degrees and Awards Earned Below Bachelor's by Field: 2006

[Covers associate's degrees and other awards based on postsecondary curriculums of less than 4 years in institutions of higher education. Based on survey; see Appendix III]

Field of study	Less than 1-year awards		1- to less than 4-year awards		Associate's degrees	
	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women
Total	228,999	129,055	183,600	112,611	713,066	442,971
Agriculture and natural resources, total	3,252	911	1,886	691	6,168	2,376
Architecture and related services	161	62	173	128	656	409
Area, ethnic, cultural, and gender studies	407	322	114	95	124	87
Biological and biomedical sciences	104	82	24	13	1,827	1,201
Business, management, and marketing	29,137	19,748	16,406	12,575	96,933	66,061
Communications and communications technologies	1,118	483	1,118	483	1,118	483
Computer and information sciences	9,277	3,444	5,799	2,196	31,246	8,782
Construction trades	7,750	397	7,389	307	3,850	217
Education	3,016	2,604	2,150	1,957	14,475	12,243
Engineering and engineering technologies	6,986	1,117	6,986	1,117	6,986	1,117
English language and literature/letters	559	374	79	56	1,105	735
Family and consumer sciences	11,485	9,669	3,743	3,032	9,488	9,070
Foreign languages and literatures	835	602	455	425	1,161	945
Health professions and related sciences	89,285	72,045	81,176	70,613	134,931	115,263
Nursing	3,526	3,187	28,776	25,886	1,481	1,332
Legal professions and studies	1,653	1,453	2,466	2,139	10,509	9,416
Liberal arts and sciences, general studies, and humanities	390	287	3,490	2,211	244,689	154,734
Library science	179	158	89	82	136	121
Mathematics	60	26	12	8	753	270
Mechanics and repairers	16,252	1,195	22,960	920	14,454	741
Military technologies	62	15	-	-	610	100
Multi/interdisciplinary studies	438	239	487	368	14,473	8,249
Parks, recreation, leisure, and fitness	303	148	185	81	1,128	472
Personal and culinary services	5,991	4,491	9,743	8,037	17,162	7,898
Philosophy and religion	10	2	71	37	367	270
Physical sciences and science technologies	452	218	292	134	2,902	1,200
Precision production trades	5,028	292	4,997	277	1,977	177
Psychology	90	65	31	30	1,944	1,498
Public administration and social services	823	698	519	401	4,415	3,773
Security and protective services	19,534	4,795	5,184	1,440	26,425	11,847
Social sciences and history	381	212	233	97	6,730	4,392
Theology and religious vocations	93	50	474	221	570	322
Transportation and material moving	11,313	1,709	1,046	117	1,472	204
Visual and performing arts	2,575	1,142	4,307	2,559	21,754	12,461

- Represents zero.

 Source: U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics*, annual.