

Table 306. Degrees in economics, history, political science and government, and sociology conferred by degree-granting institutions, by level of degree: Selected years, 1949-50 through 2005-06

Year	Economics			History			Political Science and Government*			Sociology		
	Bachelor's	Master's	Doctor's	Bachelor's	Master's	Doctor's	Bachelor's	Master's	Doctor's	Bachelor's	Master's	Doctor's
1950	14,568	921	200	13,542	1,801	275	6,336	710	127	7,870	552	98
1952	8,593	695	239	10,187	1,445	317	4,911	525	147	6,648	517	141
1954	6,719	609	245	9,363	1,220	355	5,314	534	153	5,692	440	184
1956	6,555	581	232	10,510	1,114	259	5,633	509	203	5,878	402	170
1958	7,457	669	239	12,840	1,397	297	6,116	665	170	6,568	397	150
1960	7,453	708	237	14,737	1,794	342	6,596	722	201	7,147	440	161
1962	8,366	853	268	17,340	2,163	343	8,326	839	214	8,120	578	173
1964	10,583	1,104	385	23,668	2,705	507	12,126	1,163	263	10,943	646	198
1966	11,555	1,522	458	28,612	3,883	599	15,242	1,429	336	15,038	981	244
1968	15,193	1,916	600	35,291	4,845	688	20,387	1,937	457	21,710	1,193	367
1970	17,197	1,988	794	43,386	5,049	1,038	25,713	2,105	525	30,436	1,813	534
1971	15,758	1,995	721	44,663	5,157	991	27,482	2,318	700	33,263	1,808	574
1972	15,231	2,224	794	43,695	5,217	1,133	28,135	2,451	758	35,216	1,944	636
1973	14,770	2,225	845	40,943	5,030	1,140	30,100	2,398	747	35,436	1,923	583
1974	14,285	2,141	788	37,049	4,533	1,114	30,744	2,448	766	35,491	2,196	632
1975	14,046	2,127	815	31,470	4,226	1,117	29,126	2,333	680	31,488	2,112	693
1976	14,741	2,087	763	28,400	3,658	1,014	28,302	2,191	723	27,634	2,009	729
1977	15,296	2,158	758	25,433	3,393	921	26,411	2,222	641	24,713	1,830	714
1978	15,661	1,995	706	23,004	3,033	813	26,069	2,069	636	22,750	1,611	599
1979	16,409	1,955	712	21,019	2,536	756	25,628	2,037	563	20,285	1,415	612
1980	17,863	1,821	677	19,301	2,367	712	25,457	1,938	535	18,881	1,341	583
1981	18,753	1,911	727	18,301	2,237	643	24,977	1,875	484	17,272	1,240	610
1982	19,876	1,964	677	17,146	2,210	636	25,658	1,954	513	16,042	1,145	558
1983	20,517	1,972	734	16,467	2,041	575	25,791	1,829	435	14,105	1,112	522
1984	20,719	1,891	729	16,643	1,940	561	25,719	1,769	457	13,145	1,008	520
1985	20,711	1,992	749	16,049	1,921	468	25,834	1,500	441	11,968	1,022	480
1986	21,602	1,937	789	16,415	1,961	497	26,439	1,704	439	12,271	965	504
1987	22,378	1,855	750	16,997	2,021	534	26,817	1,618	435	12,239	950	451
1988	22,911	1,847	770	18,207	2,093	517	27,207	1,579	391	13,024	984	452
1989	23,454	1,886	827	20,159	2,121	487	30,450	1,598	452	14,435	1,135	451
1990	23,923	1,950	806	22,476	2,369	570	33,560	1,580	480	16,035	1,198	432
1991	23,488	1,951	802	24,541	2,591	606	35,737	1,772	468	17,550	1,260	465
1992	23,423	2,106	866	26,966	2,754	644	37,805	1,908	535	19,568	1,347	501
1993	21,321	2,292	879	27,774	2,952	690	37,931	1,943	529	20,896	1,521	536
1994	19,496	2,521	869	27,503	3,009	752	36,097	2,147	616	22,368	1,639	530
1995	17,673	2,400	910	26,598	3,091	816	33,013	2,019	637	22,886	1,748	546
1996	16,674	2,533	916	26,005	2,898	805	30,775	2,024	634	24,071	1,772	527
1997	16,539	2,433	968	25,214	2,901	873	28,969	1,909	686	24,672	1,731	591
1998	17,074	2,435	928	25,726	2,895	937	28,044	1,957	705	24,806	1,737	596
1999	17,611	2,323	810	24,794	2,633	921	27,418	1,681	696	24,933	1,943	515
2000	18,441	2,168	851	25,247	2,573	984	27,635	1,627	693	25,598	1,996	595
2001	19,437	2,139	851	25,090	2,365	931	27,792	1,596	688	25,268	1,845	546
2002	20,927	2,330	826	26,001	2,420	924	29,354	1,641	625	25,202	1,928	534
2003	23,007	2,582	836	27,730	2,525	861	33,204	1,664	671	26,089	1,897	591
2004	24,069	2,824	849	29,808	2,522	855	35,581	1,869	618	26,939	2,009	558
2005	24,217	3,092	973	31,398	2,893	819	38,107	1,983	636	28,473	1,499	527
2006	23,807	2,941	930	33,153	2,992	852	39,409	2,054	649	28,467	1,547	562

\1>Data were imputed using alternative procedures. (See Guide to Sources for details.)

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Earned Degrees Conferred*, 1949-50 through 1963 Higher Education General Information Survey (HEGIS), "Degrees and Other Formal Awards Conferred" surveys, 1965-66 through 1985-86 and 1986-87 through 2003-04 Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, "Completions Survey" (IPEDS-C:87-99), and Fall 2000 Fall 2004. (This table was prepared April 2008.)

\* Does not include Public Policy, Public Administration, International Relations, or other associated fields