

Government & Public Administration, Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security

Career Opportunities: Protect and serve your community!

Did you know that almost every occupation you can think of can be found in a government sector? Not only does the government provide opportunities for “normal” jobs, but it also includes numerous unique jobs found only in the government and public administration area. You may not want to be the president, but that doesn’t mean you can’t serve your country or state in some other capacity. The possibilities are endless!

Start Here



Check to see if your school offers any of these classes...

Freshman	Sophomores	Juniors	Seniors
World Geography	World History	US History	Government/Economics
Pre-AP World Geography	AP World History	AP US History	AP Government/AP Economics
Introduction to Criminal Justice	Foreign Language	Sociology	Criminal Investigation
Business Computer Information Systems I	Communication Applications	Psychology	Forensic Science: Code Blue
ROTC I	Fundamentals of Criminal Law	Correctional Systems and Practices	Forensic Science: C.S.I.
	ROTC II	ROTC III	ROTC IV

Don't forget to ask about dual credit classes!

The Next Step



Regional training available in your area!

Cisco Junior College	Howard College	Western Texas College	Texas State Technical College	Vernon College
Criminal Justice (AAS) (C)	Correctional Science (AAS)	Emergency Medical Services (AAS)	EMS Paramedic (AAS)	Criminal Justice (C)
Homeland Security (C)	Criminal Justice (AAS) (C)	Paramedic (C- I, II)	EMT Basic, Intermediate, and Paramedic (C)	EMT Basic, Intermediate, and Paramedic (C)
	Law Enforcement (AAS)		EMS — MSA Cert I (C)	
	Computer Forensics in Criminal Investigations (C)		Basic Firefighter (C)	
	Digital Forensics Investigations (C- II)			

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Interested in working for the Police or Fire Departments?

Call your local agencies to get specific information related to your area. West Central Texas Law Enforcement Academy - located in Abilene - is sponsored by the Council of Governments and provides certifications for peace officers, corrections officers, and communications personnel. (www.wctcog.org) (www.abilenepolice.com)

Welcome to your job!

Choose the path that is best for you.

Entry-Level Careers—High School Diploma, On-the-Job Training, and/or Minimal Experience

Customs Officer..... \$27,903	Emergency Dispatcher..... \$26,350	Bailiffs..... \$21,340
Corrections Officer..... \$28,710	Human Service Assistant..... \$15,308	Compliance Officer..... \$48,450
Security Guard..... \$20,690	Retail Store Detective..... \$26,339	Court & Municipal Clerk..... \$63,944

Technical and Skilled Careers—Community College, Associate's Degree, Apprenticeship, and/or Technical Training

Court Reporter..... \$41,641	Fire Inspector..... \$42,766	Firefighter..... \$32,570
Criminal Investigator..... \$34,716	Police Patrol Officer..... \$33,420	Emergency Management..... \$47,320
Private Investigator..... \$32,880	Surveillance Technician..... \$33,048	Legal Assistant..... \$40,590

Professional Careers—Colleges or Universities, Four-Year Degree or More

Highway Patrol Officer..... \$37,427	Police Chief..... \$78,398	Lawyer..... \$105,890
Police Sergeant..... \$52,327	Fraud Investigation Officer..... \$46,646	Legislator..... \$30,420
Sheriff..... \$33,420	Security Coordinator..... \$45,970	Tax Examiners..... \$45,730

Regional Information

Websites that help you find jobs:

www.federaljobsearch.com/Texas

www.abilenepolice.com

www.wctcog.org

www.abilenefiredepartment.org

www.txdps.state.tx.us

www.dfps.state.tx.us

www.tdcj.state.tx.us

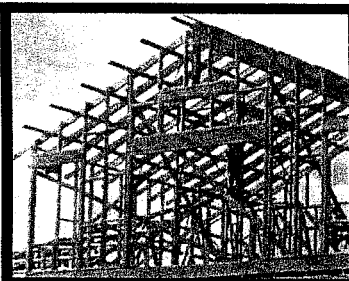
www.workintexas.com

www.fieldmedics.com/jobs/states/texas

www.hhsc.state.tx.us

www.military.com

www.texasindustryprofiles.com



Architecture and Construction, Transportation, Distribution and Logistics

Career Opportunities: Non-stop interaction with the world around you!

Being led by innovative technology, jobs in architecture and construction—two of the largest industries in the world—are only expected to rise. The results of their work can be seen all over the world. The Empire State Building, the White House, your home and local grocery store, and all the roads between them are just a few of the projects made possible with industries like architecture, construction, transportation, distribution, and logistics.

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Freshman	Sophomores	Juniors	Seniors
Technology Systems—Modular Computer Lab Constructions Systems Interior Design Landscape Design	Introduction to Transportation Careers Communication Applications/ Marketing Yourself Introduction to Construction Careers Manufacturing Systems	Automotive Technician I Auto Collision Repair and Refinishing I Introduction to Precision Metals Architectural Graphics Building Trades I Mill and Cabinetmaking Electrical Trades I Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration I	Automotive Technician II Auto Collision Repair and Refinishing II Business Ownership/Business Management Building Trades II Mill and Cabinetmaking Electrical Trades II Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration II

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Automotive Technology (AAS) (C- I, II)	Golf and Landscape Technology (AAS)	Construction Management Technology (C) (AAS)	Applied Engineering Technology (AAS)	Welding (C)
Industrial Technology (AAS) (C- I, II)	Golf and Grounds Technician (C)	Framing Carpenter (C)	Welding Technology (C)	Welding (AAS)
Refrigeration and A/C (C- II)	Welding (C I, II)	Computer Aided Drafting and Design (AAS)	Wind Energy Technician (AAS) (C- I, II)	
Welding (C- II)		Architectural Drafting Cert I (AAS)	Aviation Maintenance Technology (AAS) (C)	
		CAD Technician (C)	Diesel Technology (AAS) (C)	
		Civil Drafting Cert I (C)	Automotive Technology (AAS) (C)	
		Mechanical/Machine Drafting Cert I (C)	Basic Collision Repair Apprentice (C)	
			Collision Repair and Refinishing Technician (C)	

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Landscape Worker	\$16,764	Carpenter.....	\$32,771	Computer Repairer	\$26,290
Machinist.....	\$29,070	Motorcycle Mechanic.....	\$24,423	Engineering Aide.....	\$31,952
Cabinetmaker	\$26,377	Construction Laborer.....	\$20,425	Roofer.....	\$25,482

Technical and Skilled Careers—Community College, Associate's Degree, Apprenticeship, and/or Technical Training

Auto Mechanic.....	\$30,929	HVAC Mechanic.....	\$33,513	Electrical Technician.....	\$32,873
CAD Drafter.....	\$35,028	Construction Inspector.....	\$43,070	Aircraft Technician	\$43,620
Electrician.....	\$34,780	Mechanical Drafter.....	\$31,735	Welder.....	\$29,730

Professional Careers—Colleges or Universities, Four-Year Degree or More

Architect (Beginning).....	\$31,615	Civil Engineer.....	\$59,950	Construction Planner.....	\$49,698
Automobile Estimator.....	\$32,861	Electrical Engineer.....	\$60,840	Landscape Architect.....	\$33,875
Building Inspector.....	\$42,528	Manufacturing Engineer.....	\$49,452	Plant Manager.....	\$71,210

Regional Employers

How to find possible employment opportunities on the web:

Go to: www.texasindustryprofiles.com

- Under the tab, *Workforce Supply*, Click *Employer Contact Information*
- In the red box at the bottom of the page, click *Agree*
- From the drop down box in the *Select One Region* rectangle, select *West Central*, and then select *Continue*
- Scroll down to the *Industry Cluster* rectangle, and select *Heavy and Special Trade Construction* from the drop down menu (may also search cluster named *Distribution, Transportation, and Logistics*)
- The next page provides you with a 6-step process for searching employers by various categories
- Once each step has been filled, click the button entitled, *Find Employers for Selected NAICS*
- Click the blue link labeled, *View Employers*
- Check out a list of employers, their addresses, phone numbers, sales figures, and number of employees

Want More? Check out these websites for more information.

www.texasindustryprofiles.com/apps/win
Information on occupations, salaries, etc. in various industries across the state.

www.texasworkforce.org
Great starting place for employees and employers to meet! A good place to find state news and many occupational links.

www.workintexas.com
Site that allows both employers and job-seekers to register a profile in efforts to create matches that lead to jobs.

www.socrates.cdr.state.tx.us
Provides occupational profiles (regional salaries, training required, etc.) and occupational wage projections.



Fine Arts, A/V Technology, Communications

Career Opportunities: Delivering Entertainment and Information to the World.

Jobs in the Arts, A/V Technology, and Communications cluster include performing artists, visual arts, digital and graphics arts, film making and various other occupations like journalism, broadcasting, communications technology, telecommunications or printing technology.

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Freshman	Sophomores	Juniors	Seniors
Communication Applications/ Visual Media	Newspaper I	Newspaper II	Newspaper III
Journalism I	Foreign Language	Foreign Language	Business Computer Information Systems II
Choir, Band, or Orchestra	Choir, Band, or Orchestra	Business Computer Information Systems I	Business Image Management and Multimedia
Public Speaking I	Public Speaking II	Choir, Band, or Orchestra	Fine Arts
Debate I	Debate II	Public Speaking III	Choir, Band, or Orchestra
Oral Interpretation I	Oral Interpretation II	Debate III	Independent Study/Speech
Theatre I	Theatre Arts II	Oral Interpretation III	Theatre Production
Technical Theatre I	Technical Theatre II	Theatre Arts III	Theatre Arts IV
Art I	Pre AP Art II—Drawing	Technical Theatre III	Technical Theatre IV
Pre-AP Art I	Art II—Photography	Pre-AP Art III—Drawing	AP Art/Drawing/Photography Portfolio
		Art III—Photography	AP History of Art
		Pre-AP Art III—Photography	

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	Digital Forensics Investigations (C- II)	VTSTC Digital Media SL (AAS) (C)		
	Computer-Aided Drafting Technology (AAS) (C)	Culinary Arts Technology (AAS) (C)		
		Web Development Technology (AAS)		
		Web Developer Cert I (C)		

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Equipment Repairer.....	\$34,116	Artist/Illustrator.....	\$30,665	Amusement Entertainer.....	\$24,954
Camera Operator.....	\$29,772	Customer Service Rep.....	\$22,942	Special Events Coordinator	\$33,993
Advertising Clerk.....	\$31,979	Motion Picture Projectionist	\$23,894	Tape Editor.....	\$27,017

Technical and Skilled Careers—Community College, Associate's Degree, Apprenticeship, and/or Technical Training

Painter/Illustrator.....	\$31,265	Paralegal	\$37,719	Exhibit Display Coordinator.....	\$33,629
Production Assistant	\$22,783	Art Conservation Technician.....	\$31,505	Broadcast Technician.....	\$34,815
Audio Visual Technician.....	\$37,233	Set Designer.....	\$37,040	Photographer.....	\$42,199

Professional Careers—Colleges or Universities, Four-Year Degree or More

TV/News Reporter	\$26,489	Artist	\$42,199	Advertising.....	\$57,026
Choreographer.....	\$28,500	Videographer	\$42,490	Actor/Performer	\$41,899
Speech Writer	\$58,619	Graphic Design Specialist.....	\$40,174	Lawyer.....	\$98,407

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