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College and Career Readiness:  
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## Juniata College

### Four-Year Liberal Arts and Sciences College

**Student Enrollment:**  
1619 undergraduates

**Location:**  
Huntingdon, PA

**Average Class Size:** 17

**Average Freshman  
Financial Aid:**  
\$27,188.00

**Mid-Range Scores:**  
Due March 1  
SAT R: 540-640  
SAT M: 540-640

**Sports:**  
NCAA Div III

Source: [Juniata website](#)

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## Who can afford a college loan?

The resounding fear of college debt is starting to sound like, "Who's afraid of the big, bad, wolf?" But did you know that the average starting salary for an employee with a four-year degree, makes loan repayment feasible (Figure 2 on back). Students need to recognize that borrowing

for college is a smart investment. Still not convinced? The average student college debt upon graduation is \$20,000. Even with an unsubsidized Stafford Loan, the monthly payment amounts to \$230.00 for ten years. What debt will you take on for a car? How much

will you pay for your cell phone and cable service. Does your college degree ever have to be replaced?

Check out the [Loan Calculator](#) to determine a healthy balance of debt and salary potential. New graduates can afford to dedicate ten-percent of their income to loan repayment. Don't let loan fear limit your choices.

## College of the Month

Want to guarantee you will find a job when you graduate from a four-year program? Juniata College's unique dual advising program and dedication to developing marketable skills creates impressive results. Over 95-percent of their students are placed in a job, graduate or professional program within six months of graduation. Juniata students also have one of the lowest student loan default rates in the county. This is a powerful indicator of

successful transition from college into a stable career.

At Juniata College, "Students enjoy small classes, a challenging, flexible curriculum, collaborative student-faculty relationships, and countless chances to learn by doing."

One of the distinctive opportunities at Juniata is the ability to create your own Program of Interest. Instead of a cookie-cutter major, you get to individualize your degree. Students can earn credit

for their research, lab work, internships and international study plus combine unique skills and interests.

Rolling admission via the Common Application plus acceptance of SAT scores through February make this a choice for Seniors that are still trying to decide between a job, community college or a four-year degree.

If you like having choices, learn by doing, and want to ensure there is a paycheck after graduation, look at [Juniata College](#) today.



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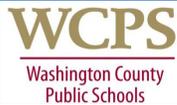
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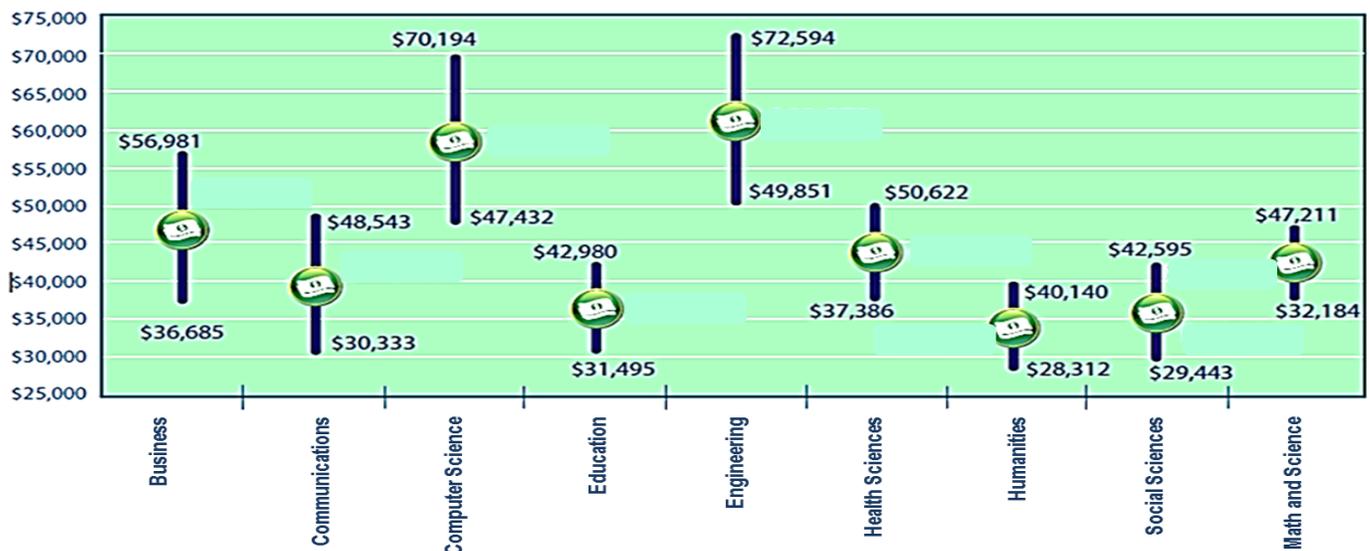
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Look up your potential salary on the NACE Average Starting Salary Chart

FIGURE 2 | SALARY RANGES | BY DISCIPLINE



Data contained in the NACE Salary Survey are produced through a compilation of data derived from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Census Bureau, and a master data set developed by Job Search Intelligence. Data for the Winter 2012 Salary Survey report were retrieved in October 2011, and were compiled using a proprietary methodology created by Job Search Intelligence.