

Report Reveals High-Demand Jobs for Today and Tomorrow

You can train for most of these careers at Mt. SAC!

Even with unemployment at an alarming 7% nationwide, local economic analysts say there are good careers to be had *for those with the proper training and skills*. Mt. SAC has noticed an influx of working adults who are refining their skills or retraining for totally different careers.

Now may be a good time to assess your skills and goals and to take advantage of Mt. SAC's many career training opportunities. As you plan, consider the **California Employment Development Department's** list of top jobs in the greater Los Angeles region (2004-2014), based on a combination of current and future job openings and annual earnings. Keep in mind that Mt. SAC offers associate degrees, professional certificates, basic training or course transfer credits toward a bachelor's degree for these professions. For a listing of our many career programs, visit: <http://www.mtsac.edu/instruction>.



REGISTERED NURSES (RNs)

Median Income: \$76,506 **Education:** 2 years of training/education

It's no secret that there's a nursing shortage (40,980 openings projected through 2014). Hospital nurses make up the largest group, followed by nurses who work in doctors' offices, clinics, emergency care centers and HMOs, home health nurses, public health nurses who work for governmental agencies, schools, clinics and retirement communities.



ACCOUNTANTS & AUDITORS

Median Income: \$60,834 **Education:** Bachelor's degree or higher

Jobs for accountants and auditors are expected to surge (21,060 openings projected through 2014). Accountants and auditors have similar responsibilities, including helping to ensure the nation's firms are run efficiently, public records are accurate, and taxes are paid properly and on time. They also examine, analyze and interpret accounting records to offer advice and prepare financial statements.



ELECTRICIANS

Median Income: \$46,096 **Education:** 2 years of training/education

If you're into "power," this is the field for you! Those in this growing field plan, install, repair and maintain electrical equipment that provides light, heat, communications and, yes, power. Nearly 7,000 job openings are projected through 2014. Electricians can specialize in electrical work for ship and boat building, water transportation, aircraft manufacturing, theaters and motion pictures, elevator maintenance, neon signs and power-generating plants.



SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Median Income: \$63,698 **Education:** Bachelor's degree or higher

Officials expect 21,470 job openings in this field through 2014. Here's the added bonus: many schools throughout California have voluntarily reduced class sizes in English, math, language arts and social studies to improve students' academic performance, which could further increase the demand for teachers. Many districts have a shortage of substitute teachers, and officials say opportunities are excellent for those who don't want to work full-time in one location.



EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES

Median Income: \$43,430 **Education:** Up to two years of training or work experience

Executive secretaries perform a variety of tasks to keep an office running smoothly. They answer calls, help visitors, make appointments and update records and files, plus they are also essential when it comes to setting schedules. Some executive secretaries do billing, payroll or bookkeeping jobs, as well as train other workers. In today's office environment, they must be able to multi-task and work with people with different personalities, as well as possess skills in various kinds of office technology, equipment and software. Over 24,000 job openings are expected through 2014.

ADDITIONAL HIGH-DEMAND CAREERS

(*Median income/number of openings projected 2004-2014*)

- Computer Systems Analysts (\$92,620/12,150)
- Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers (\$76,374/8,590)
- Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics (\$35,337/12,370)
- Heavy-Truck Drivers (\$39,908/15,160)
- Bookkeeping, Accounting and Auditing Clerks (\$36,666/21,030)
- Advertising Sales Agents (\$44,114/2,820)

Source: California Employment Development Department, 2008