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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** School District Superintendents  
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**SUBJECT: 2017 Economic Security Report**

Section 1002.20(24), Florida Statutes, requires each middle school and high school student or the student's parent be provided a two-page summary of the Department of Economic Opportunity's economic security report of employment and earning outcomes. This must be done annually prior to registration and electronic access to the full report must also accompany the summary.

The following links are to the summary and full economic security report for you to distribute to your schools and parents as required by law.

Summary: <http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7749/urlt/17EcoSecReport.pdf>  
Full Report: [http://www.beyondeducation.org/temp/ER\\_Report.pdf](http://www.beyondeducation.org/temp/ER_Report.pdf)

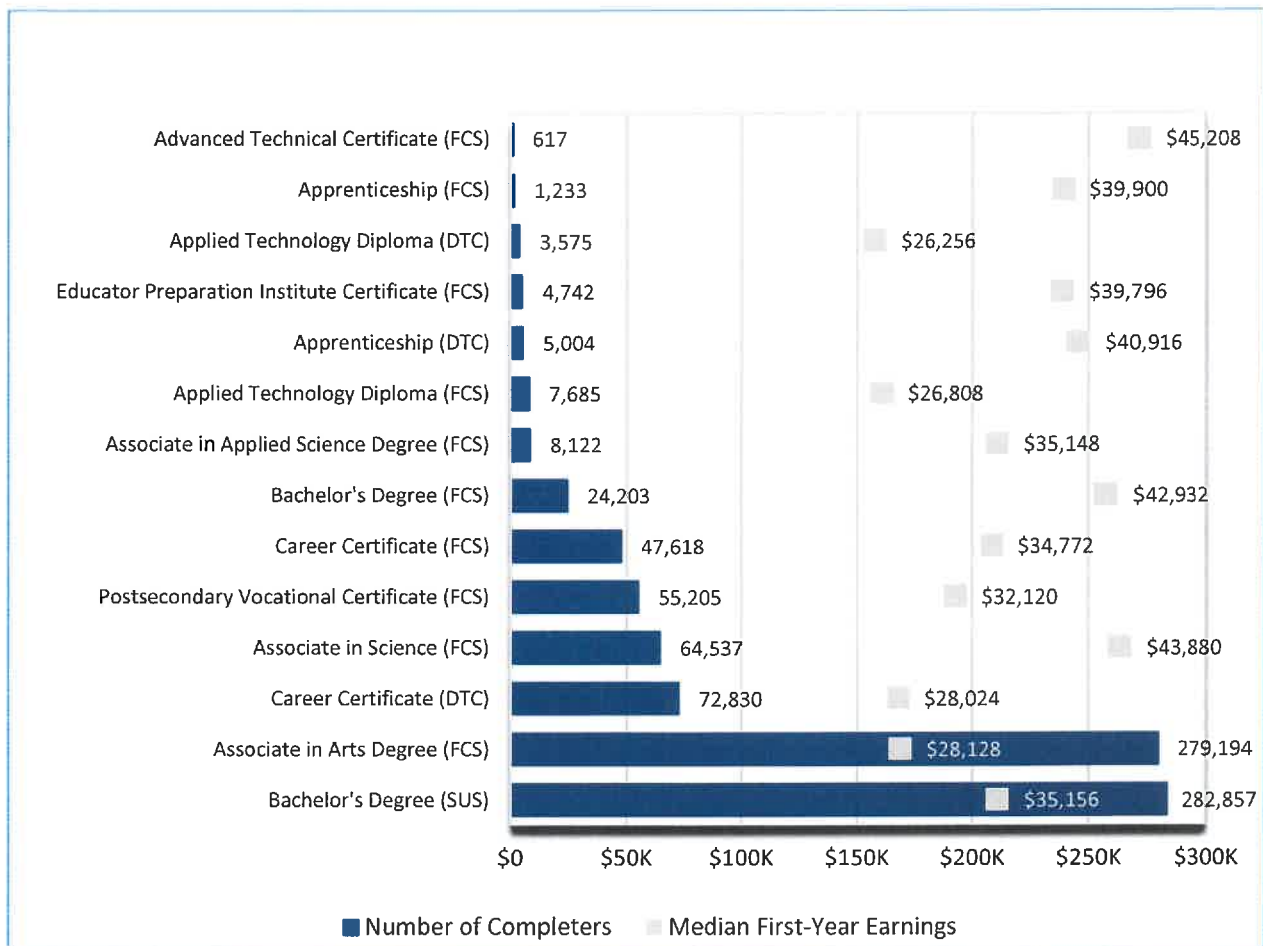
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cc: School District Deputy Superintendents  
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## Measuring the Economic Success of Florida's Graduates

The Measuring the Economic Success of Florida's Graduates report provides students, parents, and others with information on graduates of Florida's public higher education institutions, including the State University System (SUS), Florida College System (FCS) and District Technical Centers (DTC).<sup>1</sup> The chart below shows the number of graduates and first year earnings for a range of higher education credentials awarded recently in the state.

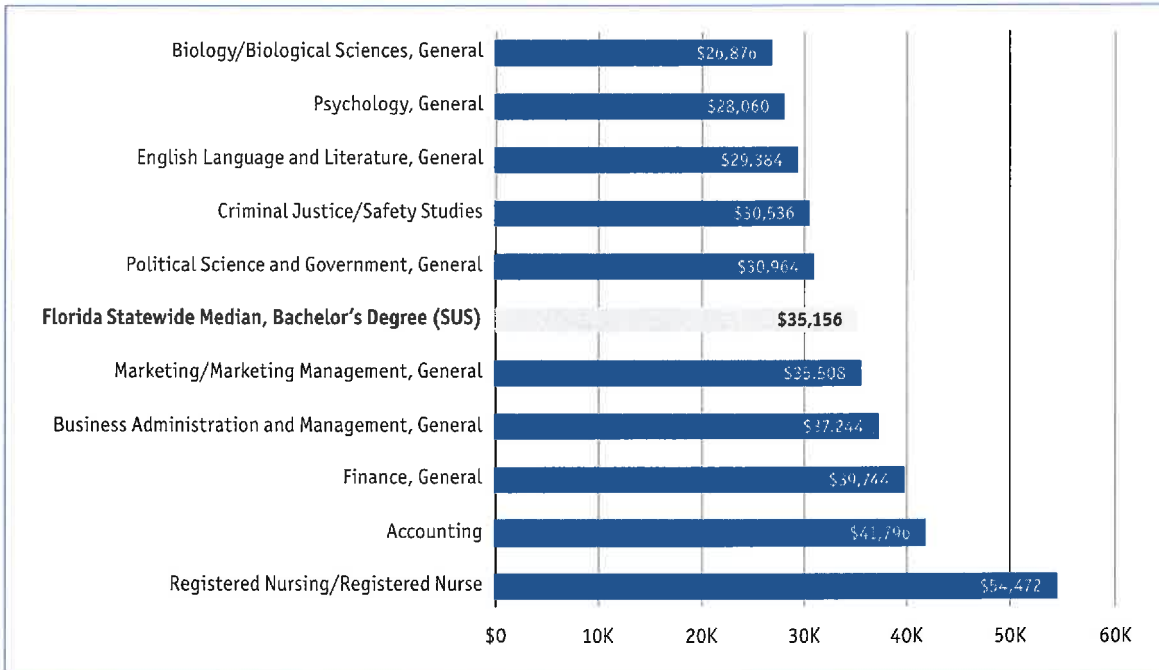
**Number of Postsecondary Academic Credentials Awarded and Median First-Year Earnings  
Academic Years 2010–11 Through 2014–15**



There are a variety of differences across credentials, but many career and technically oriented credentials are associated with relatively high early career wages.

<sup>1</sup> The data source for information in this summary report is the Florida Department of Education's Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (FETPIP).

## Median First-Year Earnings of Graduates From Ten Large Bachelor's Degree Programs



Although each graduate's success reflects a variety of factors – such as their background, the local job market, and where they choose to live – [www.beyondeducation.org](http://www.beyondeducation.org) and the Measuring the Economic Success of Florida's Graduates report provide valuable information for students and parents to consider when exploring education and career choices.