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#### Average Salary

#### **\$44,318** UNDERGRADUATE • **\$78,579** GRADUATE

TYPE OF EMPLOYMENT	UNDERGRADUATE	GRADUATE
School of Business	\$45,997	-
Bourns College of Engineering	\$59,123	\$96,244
College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences	s \$39,629	\$63,652
College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences	\$42,838	\$66,819
Graduate School of Education	-	\$56,852
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<ul> <li>Average salary for graduates does not include those</li> <li>Salary reported for graduates who are employed full</li> </ul>		



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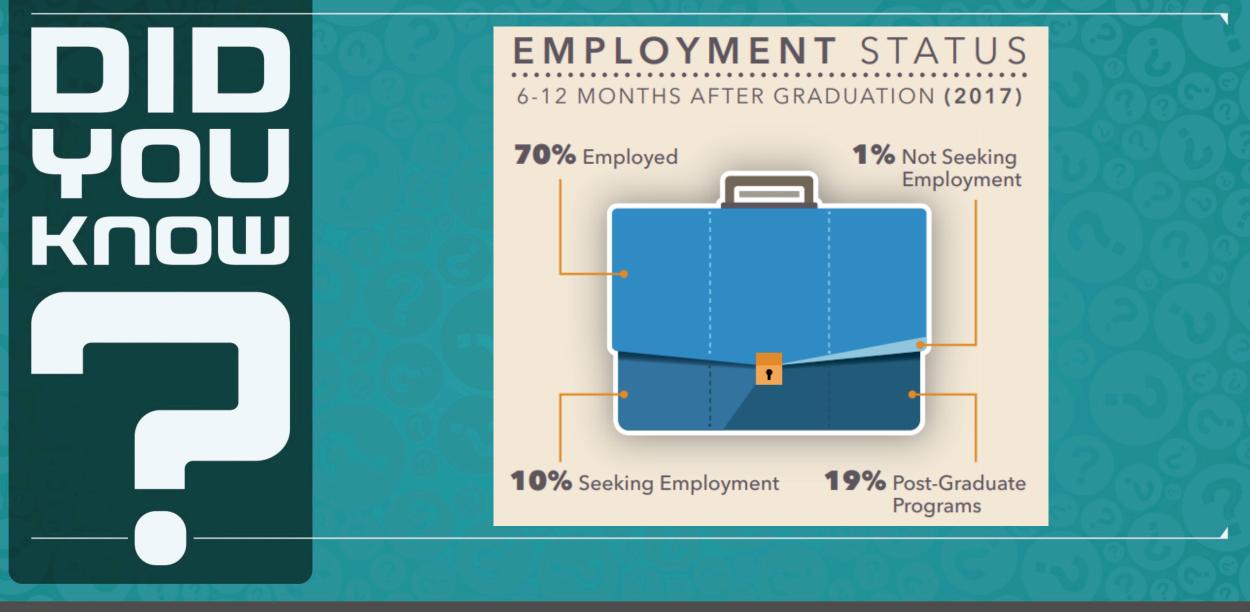




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### What's My Worth? Evaluating Job Offers and Salary Negotiation



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### Agenda

The Parts of an Offer Letter

Benefits

The Process of Salary Negotiation

Multiple Offers

Reneging on an Offer

The Impact of Your Job

Leave Your Mark

Demo

Questions



#### June 1, 2019 What to Look for in an Offer Letter

Ms. Lakia Lee 3606 Walnut Creek Road Chicago, IL 60614

Dear Lakia,

On behalf of Arnold Associates, I am pleased to offer you the position of Financial Analyst. In this important and very visible position you will report to Barry Johnson, Controller. Your start date will be June 8, 2019.

Your compensation package includes the following:

- Annual salary of \$37,500 with first performance review in 6 months
- Bonus opportunity or 5% based on achievement of company and individual performance goals
- Two weeks of vacation every year
- All of the benefits as outlined in the Arnold Associates Benefits Handbook

This offer is contingent upon successfully passing a drug screening to be conducted by OMA Labs by June 15.

We are delighted to extend this offer to join the Arnold Associates team. Everyone who met you during the interview process was very impressed with you. We are looking forward to your response. Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Manuel Santiago

Manuel Santiago Luman Resources Manager

**Position Title** 

Start Date

Salary

Benefits

Conditions

Response deadline

### The Parts of a Job Offer - Benefits

Sign-on Bonus **Relocation Expenses** Salary Progression Medical/Dental/Optical Insurance Life/Disability Insurance Vacation/Sick/Personal Days **Retirement Plans** Profit Sharing/Stock Options

Tuition/Student Loan Reimbursement Overtime Commuting/Parking Reimbursement **Employee Perks Flexible Hours** Telecommuting Technology **Professional Development** 

### Knowing when to negotiate

Do you need to negotiate?

- Are you completely entry level?
- Is the offer reasonable?

When NOT to Negotiate

- Highly structured jobs
- Jobs with a known salary

• Jobs with an undifferentiated applicant supply





# Compensation types you might see in the job description/application:

- TBD
- DOQ
- Base + Commission
- Commensurate with Experience
   Monthly Stipend



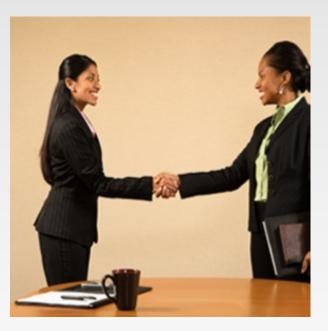
### The Art of Salary Negotiation

Step 1: Do Your Research

Step 2: Let the Employer Make the First Offer

Step 3: Review the Offer

Step 4: Prepare a Counter Offer



### Do Your Research: Know Your Worth

Use online resources to find salary ranges



Think about your education, unique skills, and experiences







### Do Your Research: Know Your Worth

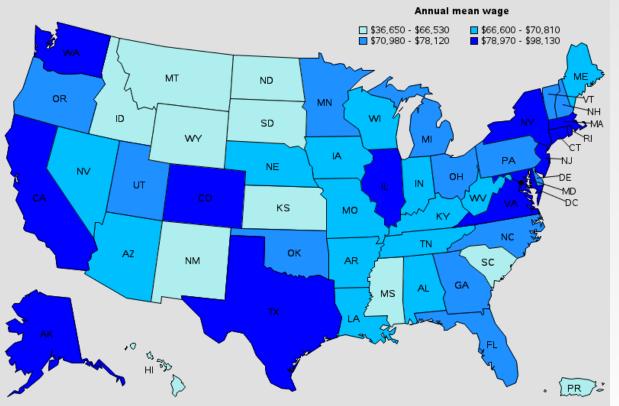
#### Consider position, location, size, and industry of the company

Industries with the highest levels of employment in accountancy:

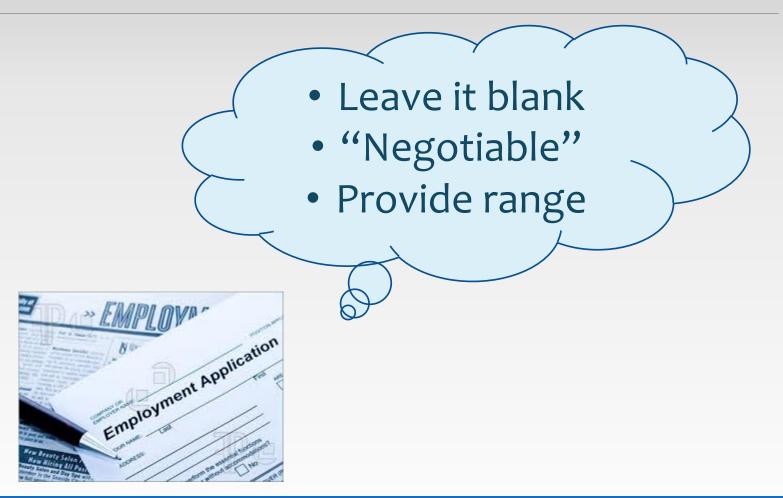
Industry	Employment	Percent of industry employment	Annual mean wage
Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping, and Payroll Services	325,930	33.97	\$83,710
Management of Companies and Enterprises	97,500	4.11	\$80,020
Local Government	46,170	0.84	\$68,030
State Government	41,520	1.91	\$63,920
Management, Scientific, and Technical Consulting Services	40,370	2.80	\$82,410

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, bls.gov

Annual mean wage of accountants and auditors, by state, May 2018



### Let the Employer Provide the First Offer



### During the Interview



• "I'll consider any reasonable offer."

- "I'd like to discuss the job first. I need to know whether I'm the right fit and that you're offering me the job."
- "I'm very interested in the job and the company, but it depends on the offer – I'd be glad to respond to a specific offer."

### During the Offer

- "You know better than I what this job is worth."
- "My research tells me that someone with my skills, education, and qualifications doing this job earns between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ with a median salary of \_\_\_\_\_. What's your offer?"





### Prepare a Counter Offer

Aim for a target salary that is realistic

Be explicit in your request

Use the research you have done and have hard evidence to support your request

Consider non-monetary benefits when negotiating

Know your bottom line, and be prepared to say no if the employer cannot meet your needs

Remember to consider gross vs. net income

**Financial Wellness Program** 

Hello

It is great hearing back from you. I hope that everything is well.

Thank you for sending me this offer. I am excited about the opportunity to work at . I would like to discuss a few aspects of the offer that I would like to modify.

I believe I am a good fit for this position and will be able to add value to I team from day one. I've demonstrated a strong understanding of electrical engineering principles by passing the Fundamentals of Engineering certification exam and by maintaining a 3.55 GPA. I've utilized these principles to design the C/C++ embedded software and hardware for printed circuit boards (PCB) using Altium Designer during my experience as an engineer in the Society of Automotive Engineers. As a software intern for the I I improved data collection and analysis efficiency by programming Python scripts. This past Summer I interned at I as a Intern where I improved grid infrastructure reliability and created over 100-pages of technical documentation that describes how to do various power engineering tasks. With a goal to increase diversity in STEM, I am also driving the development of a

High School chapter as the title in student organization

It is for these reasons that I would like to propose a counter offer. The current offer is for a starting salary of \$72,009.60. I would like to propose a starting salary of \$78,750 annually based on the average salary for reported by salary.com. In addition, I would like to discuss the possibility of using the educational assistance benefit to pay for my remaining tuition expenses for my 2018 – 2019 final year of undergraduate education. Lastly, I would like to discuss using the educational assistance benefit to payback student loans starting in 2020.

Thank you,

### Do's and Don'ts in Negotiating

#### Do

- Be positive
- Be persuasive
- Be flexible
- Be confident
- Base your negotiation on competitive market value
- Explain how you will contribute to the employer's profitability

#### Don't

- Be the first to name a figure
- Assume the first offer is the final offer
- Be demanding
- Be pushy
- Be unrealistic
- Share personal information
- Forget to consider other benefits in the negotiation process

### **Multiple Offers**

Think about your values and interests

- Position
- Company
- Industry

Consider all options to make the best decision for you

- Salary
- Location
- Work-Life Balance
- Company Culture
- Long-Term Goals



### Need More Time to Consider an Offer?

Ask to meet with other key colleagues you didn't meet in the interview

Ask for time to discuss the offer with your family and friends so that you can make the best decision for you

Be open with employers when given one offer and in the interview process for another position



### Reneging on an Acceptance

The Career Center does NOT endorse reneging

Make sure that the new offer is of enough significance that it is worth potentially burning a bridge

If you choose to renege, do so respectfully – don't ghost the employer

There are situations where it is acceptable to renege

Bottom Line: You should never accept one offer with the *intention* of reneging if a better opportunity comes along.

### Leave Your Mark

Tell us about your post-grad plans!

The Career Center uses information like job title, company, location, and salary to

- Show the overall value of a UCR degree
- Show your professors, deans, and advisors what you are up to after graduation
- Compile information used in a national snapshot of recent graduates' activity and prospects



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