

TABLE 2-7. Major field of study of undergraduates, by disability status: 2012

(Percent distribution)

Major field of study	All undergraduates	Without disability	With disability
All fields (number)	21,823,100	19,405,700	2,417,400
All fields	100.0	100.0	100.0
Non-S&E	75.5	75.3	76.5
Business or management	16.0	16.2	14.4
Education	5.4	5.4	4.9
Health	19.6	19.6	19.0
Humanities	17.5	17.3	19.3
Other	17.0	16.8	18.9
S&E	24.6	24.7	23.3
Computer and information sciences	4.3	4.3	4.8
Engineering	5.0	5.1	4.3
Life sciences	6.6	6.8	5.4
Mathematics	0.5	0.5	0.3 *
Physical sciences	0.9	1.0	0.9
Social and behavioral sciences	7.2	7.1	7.7

* = interpret data with caution; the estimate is unstable because the standard error represents more than 30% of the estimate.

S&E = science and engineering.

NOTES: Includes undergraduates with declared majors. For disability status, those who reported any type of disability related to blindness, deafness, severe vision or hearing impairment, substantial limitation of mobility, or any other physical, mental, or emotional condition that lasted 6 months or more were classified as with disability. Differences in the number of undergraduates in this table and tables 2-1–2-5 primarily reflect differences in the population of institutions surveyed. See U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Estimating Undergraduate Enrollment in Postsecondary Education Using National Center for Education Statistics Data (NCES 2005-063) at <http://nces.ed.gov/pubsearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2005063> for further explanation of these differences. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Postsecondary Student Aid Study, 2012.