

HOSPITALITY & TOURISM

NOVA

Northern Virginia
Community College

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Restaurants & Food Service

Fast Food Workers, Bussers, Cleaners, Servers, Kitchen Staff, Bartenders, Baristas, Hosts

\$14.35 - \$19.36/hr.
11,889 Postings



Hospitality

Housekeepers, Janitors, Laundry Attendants, Bell/Luggage Attendants, Concierges, Guest Services Representatives/Front Desk Agents

\$14.89 - \$18.22/hr.
7,045 Postings



Tourism & Entertainment*

Ushers and Ticket Takers, Concessionists and Amusement Attendants, Counter and Rental Clerks, Tour Guides, Parking Lot Attendants, Cashiers

\$12.65 - \$19.66/hr.
2,318 Postings

High School Diploma or GED



Certificate or Diploma (1-2 yrs.)
Diploma, Certificate, License, or Apprenticeship Programs



Associate Degree (2 yrs.)



Bachelor's Degree (4 yrs.)



Post-Graduate Degree



Line/Prep Cooks, Shift Leaders

\$14.48 - \$20.23/hr.
2,342 Postings

Housekeeping Supervisors, Reservations Agents, Maintenance and Repair Workers, Spa Attendants and Spa Service Providers

\$16.53 - \$21.90/hr.
3,582 Postings

Lifeguards, Activities and Recreation Assistants, Reservations Agents

\$14.61 - \$20.52/hr.
900 Postings

Bakers and Cake Decorators, Sous Chefs, Butchers

\$33,213 - \$40,811/yr.
1,882 Postings

Maintenance Managers, Front Desk Managers, Spa Managers

\$35,847 - \$94,629/yr.
2,514 Postings

Audio and Video Technicians, Photographers, Shift Leaders, Fitness Instructors

\$42,147 - \$66,157/yr.
1,508 Postings

Executive Chefs, Restaurant Managers

\$65,153 - \$76,949/yr.
3,321 Postings

Meeting/Conference Services Managers, Assistant Managers, General Managers

\$69,903 - \$76,220/yr.
1,013 Postings

Museum Technicians and Exhibit Designers, Event Planners, Producers and Directors, Stage Managers, Creative Directors, Entertainment and Recreation Managers, Creative Performers**

\$32,213 - \$86,528/yr.
1,980 Postings

No high-growth jobs at the post-graduate level in this pathway

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Historians, Curators

\$69,426 - \$108,020/yr.
86 Postings

*Many tourism and entertainment jobs not listed here are located outside of Northern Virginia but within the surrounding metropolitan area

**Creative performers include Actors, Musicians, Writers, Athletes, and Artists

Occupations grouped by level of education typically required for employment, as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Openings represent the total number of online job postings from January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 in the NOVA region, as compiled by Lightcast. Wages represent the 25th percentile of hourly pay for positions at the High School/GED and Certificate/Diploma levels, and median annual salaries for positions at the associate, bachelor, and post-graduate degree levels. Wages calculated by Lightcast based on 2024 Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) data from the BLS.