



# Architectural and Civil Drafters

✓ RURAL JOB *This career is frequently available in Idaho's rural communities*

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## What Is It?

Prepare detailed drawings of architectural and structural features of buildings or drawings and topographical relief maps used in civil engineering projects, such as highways, bridges, and public works. Use knowledge of building materials, engineering practices, and mathematics to complete drawings.

## What Do They Typically Do?

- Working with Computers
- Drafting, Laying Out, and Specifying Technical Devices, Parts, and Equipment
- Getting Information

## Annual Income:

- Entry Level: \$37,370
- Typical: \$60,340
- Experienced: \$80,560

## Area of Studies:

- Architectural Technology/Technician
- CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician
- Architectural Drafting and Architectural CAD/CADD

## Major Employers:

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services, Construction

## What do I do next?

### Learn about the job culture:

- Schedule at least one informational interview
- Conduct a job shadow, if possible
- Research available volunteer or intern opportunities

### Prepare for training:

- Visit and call trade schools or colleges that offer a related program
- Research regional job openings at: [idahoworks.gov](http://idahoworks.gov)

### Explore all pathways to certification:

[labor.idaho.gov/jobscope](http://labor.idaho.gov/jobscope)

### Talk to your school counselor or advisor for more information

## Get started today!

Ask about the career & technical programs at your school or nearby technical college.

Check out Idaho Digital Learning Academy for online opportunities: [idahodigitalllearning.org](http://idahodigitalllearning.org)

For tips, tools, and resources to learn how your skills and interests can translate to a rewarding career, visit the Next Steps Idaho website.

[www.NextSteps.Idaho.gov](http://www.NextSteps.Idaho.gov)



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