Career Snapshot

Where Do They Work?
- Aerospace industry
- Automotive industry
- Alternative energy, sustainability, and conservation firms
- Biomedical device firms
- Design, construction, and consulting firms
- Manufacturing and plant operations
- Petroleum industry
- Transportation industry
- Power generation

Who Recruits or Hires KU Mechanical Majors?
- BD Medical
- Black & Veatch
- Boeing
- Burns & McDonnell
- Chesapeake Energy Corporation
- Chevron Phillips Chemical Company
- Disney
- Exxon Mobil Corporation
- Ford
- Garmin International
- General Electric
- HEMCO Corporation
- Honda R&D Americas, Inc.
- Honeywell
- Koch Industries, Inc.
- NASA
- SpaceX
- Union Pacific
- Westar Energy

What Are They Paid?
Bachelor's degree candidates national average starting salary range:
$61,857 - $65,900

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Overview
Whether its advanced materials, biomechanics, emerging transportation technologies, or a wide variety of other fields, mechanical engineers have a vast network of career opportunities available to them due to the remarkable versatility of this degree. From award winning race cars and energy efficient vehicle development to advanced spinal implants and an easier path to recovery from knee surgery, mechanical engineering at KU offers a wide variety of opportunities, including robust offerings in bioengineering and biomechanics.

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MAJORS OFFERED
Mechanical Engineering

Concentrations:
Biomechanical
Pre-medical

Students from any engineering discipline can get involved with Jayhawk Motorsports starting their first year on campus. The team designs, builds, and drives two cars each year—one electric and one combustion engine—and competes in several international competitions in the spring and summer. Jayhawk Motorsports regularly places highly in national competitions, including two first place overall finishes since 2012.

Jayhawk engineering graduates have been CEOs at Boeing, Ford, Chrysler, and Phillips Petroleum.

The Hill Engineering Research and Development Center houses the KU EcoHawks, a student research program that focuses on developing innovative sustainable energy solutions for transportation and energy infrastructure. The 4,000-square-foot building was designed and built by KU architecture students and is packed with resource and energy conservation features, including an array of solar panels that cover the roof.