

Career of the week



Investment Banker

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Investment bankers help companies to raise that capital by issuing stock or borrowing from investors.

Entry routes:

You'll usually need a 2:1 degree or higher to be recruited by an investment bank. This can be in any subject, though a related topic like mathematics, finance, economics, or business is a plus. You'll be doing training on the job, and you might have to take exams for the first few years of your career. Work experience in the industry is essential, so you'll need to complete an internship, or other work placement with an investment bank before graduation. These can be competitive so check out what opportunities are out there.

Investment bankers salaries:
£66,123 to £70,000

Working hours: Investment bankers work notoriously long hours, with the typical work week filling in 60-80 hours per week, and the occasional high-intensity work week that can push a banker to 100+ hours.

UK growth: -1% decrease in 25,067 jobs from 2020-2035

West Midlands growth:
-0.4% decrease of 788 jobs from 2020-2035

Character virtues

responsibility, resilience, compassion, courage

Key words

budgets, marketing, borrowing, investing, licensing, bookings, developing, corporate, exchanging, trading, complaints, customer service