# [Image result for ergonomics](https://www.bing.com/images/search?view=detailV2&ccid=wJuDiFNk&id=0C482998DFDB9AD31C44264686BA4A7D7FF7AAFC&thid=OIP.wJuDiFNksz6rCsyZthKIzgHaC6&mediaurl=http://www.ohcow.on.ca/edit/files/images/ergonomics/global_ergonomics_month.jpg&exph=1964&expw=4988&q=ergonomics&simid=608047186592993265&selectedIndex=121&adlt=strict)**Job title: Ergonomist**

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| **Job title: Ergonomist**  Human factors specialist | Ergonomists help to make sure that equipment and machinery is safe and easy to use. |
| **Entry requirements:** | You can qualify as an ergonomist by doing a degree in ergonomics.  You can also complete a degree in a related subject then take a postgraduate course in ergonomics. Related subjects include:   * occupational therapy * physiotherapy * psychology * sports science * design engineering   **Entry requirements**  You'll usually need:   * 2 to 3 A levels for a degree * a degree in a relevant subject for postgraduate study |
| **Skills required:** | You'll need:   * knowledge of psychology * maths knowledge * analytical thinking skills * knowledge of English language * knowledge of engineering science and technology * to be thorough and pay attention to detail * thinking and reasoning skills * excellent verbal communication skills * to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device |
| **What you'll do:** | Your tasks will vary depending on your role, but will usually include:   * speaking with clients to find out more about the issue that needs solving * designing office layouts and advising on suitable furniture and equipment * advising on the organisation of production lines and workstations * designing equipment and improving access for people with disabilities * developing equipment and systems that are easy to use and less likely to lead to problems * changing transport design to increase the safety for the driver and passengers * designing signs that are easy to understand * carrying out user trials to test new designs, and providing feedback to the manufacturer or client * acting as an expert witness in cases of industrial injury |
| **What you’ll earn:** | £20,000 Starter  To  £60,000 Experienced |
| **Working hours, patterns and environment:** | * 38-40 hours per week * You could work between 8am and 6pm attending events or appointments |
| **Career path and progression:** | With experience, you could progress into line management or project management.  You could move into consultancy work, or provide specialist services like workplace design or health and safety. |