The Road to Success

Choosing the right Major/Career
Where do I begin?

Step 1: Learn about yourself
Creating a list is key!

- What are your interests, skills, values, personality style?
- What courses have you done well in?
- What volunteer work, clubs, or activities have you done?
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- What kind of people do you enjoy being around?
- What words describe you? How would others describe you?
- Based on the list, what majors/careers come to mind?
Online Resources

FCC Career Resources Links

• Take online self-assessments: Learn About Yourself

• Receive feedback on careers and majors that are a good match for you
Online Resources

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- A computerized career guidance program.
- Available online from the FCC Career Center website.
- Visit the Career and Transfer Center for log-in steps.
What's Next?

Step 2: Choosing your ideal career match
Create a list of 10 careers you are considering.

Research those careers to find what majors will best prepare you for working in that field.

What are the duties/skills needed to succeed in these majors/careers?
Research various majors/careers!

- Where do you see yourself working in 5 years, 10 years?
- What is the job outlook of your chosen careers?
- What salary do you desire?
Online Resources

FCC Career Resources Links

• Utilize the Career Exploration link: Exploring Careers and Majors
• Gather factual information about various careers to help you with choosing a major and a career.
Who can help me?

Step 3: Find outside help
Seek outside counsel from:

- Career Counselors, Career Advisors, Academic Advisors.
- Professors who teach within your chosen major.
- Students within your chosen major.
- Professionals working in your chosen careers field.
Additional Resources

ACE Courses: ACE1110 & ACE1111A

- Career assessment and planning courses.
- Evaluates the student’s strengths, values, interests, and personality to match with possible careers.
- Assists students with goal setting and decision making strategies.
Additional Resources

Career Services Workshops

• Provide assistance with self-assessments and career exploration.

• Provide tutorials on resume and cover letter writing as well as interview techniques.
Take a moment

Brainstorm and Reflect
Look at all of your options

- Reflect on all the information you have gathered.
- What majors and careers interest you and are a good match?
- What do you believe are your next steps?
It’s up to you now!

Before choosing a college or career:

College can be expensive, but choosing the wrong school or wrong major makes it significantly more expensive.