

CAREER EDUCATION SCAVENGER HUNT

Career information can be found in many, many places. The idea of this scavenger hunt is to familiarize you with some of the places to find career information that can help you in your career decision-making.

The staff in Career Services is available to work with you in making informed career decisions that will meet your short and long term goals. The office, located in 101 Rakov, is open 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. during the regular academic year, with drop in hours each day between 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

UNDERSTANDING YOURSELF

There are many personality assessments online (some are free and some are not) that can help you to understand your own personality and based on the results, begin to consider a variety careers. The Kiersey Temperament Sorter II (www.AdvisorTeam.com) is a free on-line survey that will give you instant results and hopefully a little insight into yourself. Look through the four temperaments and then take the assessment at the above Web site. Use this assessment to answer the questions below.

1. List your temperament.

2. List two core characteristics that were listed on your portrait.

Use the computerized assessment program SIGI to answer the questions below. This program asks a series of questions about your values, skills and interests and gives you a list of occupations that may be of interest to you based on those answers. This program may be time intensive and take up to 1-2 hours. SIGI can be found at the Office of Career Services web site at www.brockport.edu/career.

3. Name two work-related values that are important to you.

4. List three of the occupations that the SIGI program recommended you look at.

5. Name two skill areas that are required for this occupation.

EXPLORING YOUR MAJOR OPTIONS

The Office of Career Services publishes information sheets based on each major available at SUNY Brockport. These sheets, "What Can I Do With a Major in..." are available in our office (101 Rakov) or on-line at our homepage www.brockport.edu/career. To answer the next questions, you will need to obtain at least one of these sheets. Please choose a major that is of interest to you.

6. List three types of work environments that may be typical for a person in this major to be employed in after college.

7. List three transferable skills (skills that can be applied to almost any type of work situation) that you can learn from this major.

SUNY Brockport conducts an annual survey of graduates. To answer the next question, access the current survey of graduates at the Office of Career Services Web site (www.brockport.edu/career) and choose "Survey of Graduates" from the pull-down menu.

8. Choose a major and list below two companies and one graduate school that SUNY Brockport alumni worked at/attended according to the most recent survey.

IDENTIFYING OCCUPATIONS

9. List two books that are related to your chosen career area that are available in the Career Resource Room (Office of Career Services, 101 Rakov).

10. Using the Drake Memorial Library's online system (www.brockport.edu/library) search for two books that have information about your chosen major. List the two books below.

Use the Occupational Outlook Handbook (available at www.bls.gov/oco) to find more information about one of the occupations listed above and answer the following questions.

11. What occupation did you choose? _____

12. What level of education is needed for the job?

13. What are two of the job duties of this occupation?

14. What is the average salary for this occupation? _____

Professional associations can provide a wealth of information about specific careers and a great opportunity to network. Student membership to many of these organizations is often at a discounted rate. To find a directory of professional associations, go to the Office of Career Services Web site at www.brockport.edu/career and choose "Outside Links" from the drop-down menu.

15. Find two professional associations that are related to the occupation above and list them below.

FINDING INTERNSHIPS & EMPLOYMENT

Career Services lists all of the part-time, full-time and internship positions that come into our office in JobShop. These listings include on-campus work-study and non-work study jobs. To answer the next questions, you will need to register for JobShop. This can be done by visiting the Career Services Web site at www.brockport.edu/career and clicking on JobShop.

16. List one on-campus work-study job that was listed in JobShop and include the title and office.

17. List one internship that was listed in JobShop and include the title, company and location.

CONGRATULATIONS! You are now well on your way to exploring a wealth of career information that will help you to decide what majors and careers are best for you. It is never too early to start planning your career. For more information on careers, internships, and employment, visit the Office of Career Services, located in 101 Rakov.

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