

# **GREAT WEB SITES FOR UNDECIDED STUDENTS**

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Gathering information about majors and careers is an important part of the academic decision-making process. The following websites allow you to take stock of your interests, abilities, and values and learn more about majors that might suit you best. You can also learn about career opportunities that are possible for different majors and gain tips on preparing for your future career.

Once you have gathered information, see an advisor in University College and/or a counselor in Career Services to help you evaluate your findings.

## **Identifying Your Interests, Abilities, and Values**

**<http://www.ohio.edu/careers/students/cats.cfm>**

*Career Awareness Through Self-Assessment* offers advice and web-based tools, such as FOCUS and the Career Choice Checklist, to help you discover and learn about career options related to your personal attributes.

**<http://www.princetonreview.com/cte/Search/CareerSearch.asp>**

Click on “Take Quiz Now” to take the 24-item test. Once you complete the quiz, you will then receive a career work style and interest summary. Next, click on “See Related Careers” to read more about careers that might interest you and access the following information on each career field: a day in the life, quality of life, past and future, facts and figures, majors leading to the career field, graduate programs, and internships.

**<http://www.iseek.org/mncareers/>**

Contains helpful information for career and educational exploration. Under the heading of “Start Exploring” you can choose from the following options: interest assessment, job trends, most marketable skills, nontraditional occupations, and work-based learning opportunities. If you click “Investigate Careers,” you can learn what you should be doing to prepare for specific careers.

**<http://www.typefocus.com>**

Take the Free Personality Assessment to get a profile of your personality. After you find your four-letter personality code, go to <http://www.typellogic.com>, to learn more about your personality type.

**<http://www.careerkey.org/english>**

This site allows you to assess your personality based on John Holland’s theory of personalities. Click on “Your Personality,” and then “Take the Career Key.” Once you have completed the *career key*, you will then get an assessment of your personality and learn about the career fields that relate to your personality.

**<http://www.keirseey.com>**

By clicking on the section titled “Take the Keirseey Sorter,” you can take a 70-item inventory to learn more about your personality. Once you have your results, go to <http://www.typellogic.com/>, to get a more detailed description of your personality.

## ***“What can I do with a major in. . .?”***

[http://ohio.edu/careers/students/MajorsInfo.cfm\\_](http://ohio.edu/careers/students/MajorsInfo.cfm_)

Detailed website for learning about career possibilities for a range of majors and the strategies needed to get there.

<http://jobstar.org>

Choose “Career Guides,” then “Guides for Specific Careers” to access a list of university majors and explore career options related to the major.

The following are outstanding sites containing lists of majors and corresponding career options one could pursue related to those majors.

<http://www.princetonreview.com/college/research/majors/majorSearch.asp>

<http://www2.ku.edu/~ucc/cgi-bin/index.php> (click on Careers for You)

<http://www.uncw.edu/stuaff/career/Majors>

<http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/career/students/resources.htm> (includes resume examples)

<http://www3.ashland.edu/services/cardev/cdm-major.html>

<http://careerservices.rutgers.edu/CareerHandouts.html>

<http://www.career.fsu.edu/occupations/matchmajor/index.html>

<http://www.careercenter.uiuc.edu/findingpath/whatmajor.asp>

[http://www.collegeboard.com/csearch/majors\\_careers/profiles](http://www.collegeboard.com/csearch/majors_careers/profiles)

*Office of Career Services* (Baker University Center 533) has free handouts for Ohio University’s many different majors and a library of books.

## ***Information Specific to Careers***

<http://www.bls.gov/oco/>

This U.S. Department of Labor site features the most complete source of information and statistics on careers, the Occupational Outlook Handbook. You can learn everything you want to know about any career in the U.S.: 1) nature of the work; 2) working conditions; 3) employment; 4) training, other qualifications, and advancement; 5) job outlook; 6) earnings; 7) related occupations; and 8) sources of additional information.

<http://www.jobweb.com/> and click on Students

This site provides resources to help you with all stages of career planning. Includes extensive information on job outlook, salaries, the job search process, and companies.

<http://www.ohio.edu/careers/students/resources.cfm> and click on VAULT Online Career Library. Available through Career Services, it provides information about career fields, internships, companies, and general career advice. Use your OAK e-mail to get a password.

<http://www.ohio.edu/careers/students/resources.cfm> and click on CareerBeam. Offers company and industry information as well as international databases.

## ***If You’re Interested in Graduate School***

<http://www.petersons.com>

You can search the database to find which universities offer programs in your area of interest as well as get information on preparing for graduate admissions tests.

<http://www.ohio.edu/careers/students/resources.cfm> and click on “Planning for Grad School.” Includes questions to consider, application process, entrance exams, and criteria.