Don't know what you want to be???

Then do some EXPLORATION!



"The only way to do great work is to love what you do."

— Steve Jobs

What kind of job would you LOVE to do?

(How do you know what jobs you would love?)



You CAN discover many good possibilities by exploring 3 things about YOU:

- your abilities (Employable skills you already possess, activities you find easy to learn)
- your interests (Subjects you enjoy, passions, activities that energize you, a "dream job")
- and <u>your values</u> (Your priorities. Examples include: time with family, status in the workplace or community, a certain place you want to sink roots, things you want to accomplish with your life, a certain standard of living, a work environment preference, etc.)

THEN exploring how "all of what makes you You" can FIT into the WORLD of WORK!

I know. You are thinking:

I am so glad you asked!

Several career development web sites are available to you, free of charge, where you can take a short self-assessment which will quickly identify (with reasonable accuracy) your abilities, your interests, and your values!

"Seriously! How would I even begin to figure out all the ways I fit into the WORLD of WORK?!"



Your results are then matched to vocations across numerous industries. The web site will provide you with a list of vocations that people with abilities, interests, and values similar to yours have selected for themselves.



YOUR MISSION, (should you choose to accept it): Scan the list (which will be long), and select just a FEW that pique your interest. Then DIVE IN! Click on the links provided to learn: job descriptions, likely wages, outlook for job opportunities, training required, where to obtain training, etc. It's AWESOME!

"I would rather die of passion than of boredom." - Vincent Van Gogh

DISCLAIMER: These activities are <u>NOT</u> intended to reveal to you the ONE thing you were "MEANT TO BE." Rather, they give you ideas for vocations that you may not yet have considered, OR maybe that you didn't even know existed. They <u>INCREASE</u> the scope; they open your eyes to greater possibilities!

YOUR JOB is to investigate those that most interest you, and see which ones are (1) most in line with your desires for your life and (2) are **realistic** for your commitment level, training availability, and employment potential.

OPTION 1: **KUDER JOURNEY** (you will need to obtain an access code from Student Success or Career Pathways to set up your Kuder Journey account)

http://arkansasworks.kuder.com/students.htm

"Based on your specific needs, Journey provides reliable tools to assess your interests, suggest education and career options, prepare you for the job search, and connect you to today's jobs. Learn how to make satisfying career choices with the Take Hold of Your Future curriculum."

OPTION 2: ONET Online/My Next Move

http://www.mynextmove.org/

- To take the interests assessment and see jobs that match your interests and abilities, click on TELL US WHAT YOU'D LIKE TO DO
- OR, just research careers by job name or by industry

The "quick facts" reports for each career will tell you a general job description, average wage for that job, qualifications and training needed, and the outlook for job opportunities. For detailed information, click on the SEE MORE DETAILS link at the bottom of the page.

OPTION 3: CAREER ONE STOP

http://www.careeronestop.org/StudentsandCareerAdvisors/StudentsandCareerAdvisors.aspx

Identify interests, explore careers, find education opportunities, find opportunities to gain experience

Other Career Development Helps:

OZARKA College Career Link: https://otc.ozarka.edu/careerlink/

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CareerLink

Connecting You with Your Future

Career Readiness Certification— a national certification that many employers require to consider you for a position. For more information, contact a Student Success or Career Pathways advisor, or access this web site:

http://www.act.org/products/workforce-act-national-career-readiness-certificate/

What Can I DO With This Major?

http://whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/majors/

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