

Learn About You!

College and Career Exploration

To learn more about your interests and personality, and some careers or majors may be a good fit for you, complete some questionnaires on your phone or a computer. Your results might help you think about your future. Don't take the results literally—you may end up doing something completely different—but use this as a starting point for thinking about your future.

GA Futures has a fantastic Interest Profiler survey you can complete. You'll be asked 60 questions and based on your answers a profile with career options that best suit you will be created. Try it out!

Here's the link: <https://www.gafutures.org/career-exploration/learn-about-yourself/career-assessments/>

Interest Inventory: www.mynextmove.org

This assessment is supposed to help you find out what you like to do. It asks 60 questions about various activities you might do at work. These are divided into six categories: Realistic, Investigative, Artistic, Social, Enterprising, and Conventional.

Go to the home page, find the box "Tell us what you like to do," and click "Start." This will take you to the O*NET Interest Profiler. Read each question about activities that some people do on their jobs and rank each one from strongly dislike to strongly like. Don't worry about whether you have the training or education to actually do it now, just whether you'd enjoy it. Your results will rank the categories in order of your preference. The first three letters represent your strongest categories. Write down your three-letter code here:

At the end of the assessment, you can click through to find a list of careers that look interesting. You can sort them by job zone (1-5), based on level of education and training.

Write down three careers that look interesting to you:

Personality Inventory: www.16personalities.com

This is a different sort of inventory. It asks a series of questions that assess your personality in areas like introversion or extraversion, spontaneity, curiosity, etc. It takes about 12 minutes, and at the end, you will receive a four-letter code for your personality type. No one type is better or worse than another, and this could be different if you took the quiz again.

On the homepage and click on “Take the Test.” Read each question and answer on a scale ranging from agree to disagree. At the end, you’ll get a four-letter code. Write it here:

For fun, later you can look at this website to find out how your personality type (supposedly) affects romantic relationships, friendships, and parenthood. But for now, look at the part about careers. On the version you’ll see on your phone, there is an orange circle icon with three horizontal lines. Click on that then choose “Career Paths.” While this does not provide a list of careers, it can provide insight into the type of career and workplace you might like.

Write down three things this website tells you about the type of job you might like:

Finding Careers Based on Personality Type:

www.personalitypage.com

This site can provide some specific career suggestions based on your personality type. On the home page, there is a blue bar with several icons. Click the “Careers” icon, scroll down the list of personality types, and click the one that corresponds to the code you just got on www.16personalities.com. This is a brief list of careers, not exhaustive.

Write down some careers that sound interesting for further research:

Further Career Research: www.mynextmove.org

Now that you have seen several careers that might interest you, go back to My Next Move, from the first exercise. On the home page, go to “Search Careers with Key Words” and type in a career that came up in your personality inventory. You’ll learn about the knowledge, skills, abilities, personality, and training required, as well as the job outlook for each particular field.

Matching Careers to Majors and School:

www.collegemajors101.com

After completing interest and personality assessments, visit College Majors 101 (www.collegemajors101.com). There, you can find one or more majors that could support your possible career interests and read about what that major usually entails. Unfortunately, the “Accredited Schools” tab doesn’t seem to list every school in Georgia that might offer the major, but it’s still helpful for researching information.