Suggested Learning Activities

Career Interview Guide

Objective
Research a career cluster using the interview process.

Procedure
Explain that a personal interview is an important part of occupational research, then distribute a copy of the “Career Interview Guide” to each student to be done for homework. Note: Interviews should take place only in safe, non-isolated settings. Phone or e-mail interviews may be options.

Suggested Evaluation
Participation in class discussion of the following questions:
• What were the results of your interviews as recorded on your “Career Interview Guide”?
• Did anyone interview someone with an unusual occupation or someone working in a nontraditional field?
• Did the interview change your opinion of the occupation? Explain.
• Would you consider this occupation for yourself? Explain.
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Student name

Name of person being interviewed, occupation, company/organization

Date and place of interview

Use this career interview sheet to record information about someone you interview who has been employed for several years in the same career cluster (e.g. Education & Training; Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security; Government & Public Administration, Business Management & Administration).

In what career cluster is your job/occupation found? You may need to determine the cluster based on the given job/occupation.

How did you choose your career? Did you know this was what you wanted to do when you were in high school?

What are some characteristics and aptitudes that are helpful in your occupation?

What are the educational/training requirements for your current job/occupation?

What courses did you take in high school that were beneficial? In what specific ways have they helped you?
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How would you describe your current job/occupation?

**Duties**

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**Working conditions (include any unusual or stressful conditions)**

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**Hours**

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**Current entry-level salary**

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What are the aspects of your job/occupation that you really like? Dislike?

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Where do you see yourself in two years from now with a job/occupation? Five years? Do you have a “life plan” for a career?

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