OCCUPATIONAL RESEARCH

There are a vast array of career options – which one is the right one for you? Discover your strengths, talents, and skills to find your perfect match.

Find Your Fit: Career Assessment & Interests

- <u>O*NET Interest Profile</u>: Unsure of what kind of career path you want to pursue? Take a job assessment test and learn what jobs are best suited to you! When you're done, explore the <u>O*NET OnLine</u> site more thoroughly to research career specifics.
- <u>MyNextMove</u>: A great place to start researching what you might want to be when you grow up.
- <u>Career OneStop</u>: A wealth of information on careers, training, and jobs. Two- and four-year colleges also offer career counseling and services to prospective students:
 - o Metropolitan Community College Career Services
 - o Johnson County Community College Career Services
- <u>Agile Work Profiler</u>: Take this free assessment from the DeBruce Foundation to learn about your ten Agilities (i.e. competencies), which are universal to all occupations. Taking the Agile Work Profiler, can help you see how your strengths and interests connect to work activities.

Dig In & Research

- <u>LearningExpress Library</u>: Career Center section (Library card and PIN required). Prepare for a career exam and explore occupations here.
- <u>Occupational Outlook Handbook</u>: Is your career field expected to grow or phase out? What is the salary range? Find practical answers to help you make solid decisions for your future.
- <u>SalaryExpert</u>: Run a customized report showing what jobs in your location typically pay for your education and experience.
- <u>LinkedIn Learning</u>: Informational interviewing is a great tool to use to evaluate whether the reality of a job lives up to your expectations. Learn more by watching tutorials on this and other facets of career research on LinkedIn Learning. (Library card and PIN required.)

Local Community Career/Job Resources

- <u>Full Employment Council</u>: The FEC serves residents of Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri, offering employment help and career counseling for adults and youth of legal working age.
- <u>Workforce Partnership</u>: Serving residents in Johnson, Leavenworth, and Wyandotte counties in Kansas, WP helps people with career exploration and job searching.
- Need more one-on-one career help? Consider working with a career coach certified through the <u>National Career Development Association (NCDA</u>). Fees and services will vary by practitioner.