

FTIC Orientation - Undeclared Advising Session

Major Exploration Program: <http://mep.sdes.ucf.edu/>

**PART 1: My Career Shines**

**Setting Up MyCareerShines - Instructions**:

### **Registering:**

* + Go to MyCareerShines at <https://www.floridashines.org/find-a-career/mycareershines-for-college-and-workforce>
  + Scroll down, and click on **Create Account or Log In**
  + Click on **I need to create an account** and select **I am a student**
  + Follow each step and fill in the appropriate fields
  + Click **Sign Me Up** to complete the process

### **If you have an account (you may have created one in high school):**

* + Go to MyCareerShines at <https://www.floridashines.org/find-a-career/mycareershines-for-college-and-workforce>
  + Scroll down, and click on **Create Account or Log In**
  + Click on **I already have an account**
  + You will need to change your account to UCF
  + Go to the blue banner at the top of the Navigator dashboard
  + To change grade level select – **Are you done with high school?**
  + Enter the activation code J3952379GQD
  + Next, select **Freshman** under Current Grade Level

**My Career Shines – Career Clusters**

**What were your top two clusters from your Interest assessment results?**

**Cluster 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Cluster 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Visit <http://bit.ly/UCFCareerClusters> to explore UCF Majors that match these clusters.

Pick **ONE** major that appeals to you.

Major Choice: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**What Can I Do With This Major?**

Go to <https://career.ucf.edu/students/discover-your-interests-and-ucf-majors/> and select “What Can I Do With This Major?” and click on the major you’ve selected to explore further.

Read about the areas you could work in, employers, and strategies for obtaining a position in that field. Please use something you read/learned to explain why it is a PRO or CON. Include areas that most interest you within that major in your pro section (this will help you in the next part of the workshop!)

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| Pro | Con |
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Choose **ONE** career that appeals to you:

Career Choice:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**PART 2: Occupational Outlook Handbook**

Visit the Occupational Outlook Handbook Website at <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/> and search for the career you chose above. You will use the **OOH** to research this career and come up with a list of PROS and/or CONS.

Please use something you read/learned from the OOH to explain why it is a PRO or CON. Items you may wish to consider when exploring careers are listed below, but they are just meant to be a guide. There may be many factors you wish to consider when looking at potential careers!

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| **Things to Consider:** | | | |
| * Salary * Education requirements * Necessary skills for the job * Job Outlook | * Duties * License Requirements * Opportunities for Advancement/ Professional Growth | | * Environment * Similar job(s) * Certification Requirements * Work schedule |
| Pro | | Con | |
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**Reflection**

1) Based on your PRO/CON charts, which major/career would be the best fit for you?

2) Do you agree that this major/career is best for you? Why or why not.

3) Based on what you’ve learned, are there other majors or careers of interest you would want to explore?

Majors and/or Careers: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**PART 3: Live Job Search**

Now that you have some career options, it’s time to check out actual job postings! Go to [www.indeed.com](http://www.indeed.com) and search positions related to your career choice above.

* Now that you see real job postings that are available, does this still sound like a good fit for you? If not, check out other careers that might be related or interest you more!
* In general, would you have to relocate in order to get this type of job? Would you be willing to relocate?
* If listed, does the salary offered in this job posting meet your expectations based on what you read in the OOH?
* Please list at least 3 of the “requirements” (KSA’s – Knowledge, Skills and   
  Abilities) for job candidates, **AND** explain how you can meet these requirements with a degree from UCF and previous, current, or future experience (internships, volunteer work, etc).

**Additional Resources:**

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| **(A): I am completely undecided on academic major** | **(B): I have an idea (or ideas) about what I wish to major in, but I am not ready to commit myself to one** |
| 1. MyCareerShines [www.mycareershines.org](http://www.mycareershines.org) and Complete MyPlan assessment <http://career.ucf.edu/resources/links/> 2. Talk to an academic advisor <http://fyae.sdes.ucf.edu/> or career counselor <http://career.ucf.edu> about interests 3. Review the Undergraduate Catalog regarding majors and requirements: <http://catalog.ucf.edu/programs/degree-programs> 4. Review “What Can I Do With This Major” website: <http://whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/majors/> | 1. Review “What Can I Do With This Major” website: <http://whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/majors/> 2. Review the Undergraduate Catalog regarding majors and requirements: <http://catalog.ucf.edu/programs/degree-programs> 3. Review the Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH) <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/> (once you search an occupation, review the “how to become one” tab to see education required.) |
| **(C): I am completely undecided on a career** | **(D): I have an idea (or ideas) about a career, but I am not ready to commit myself to one** |
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