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My Dream. My Plan. My Future.



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WAY TO AN
EXCITING
FUTURE

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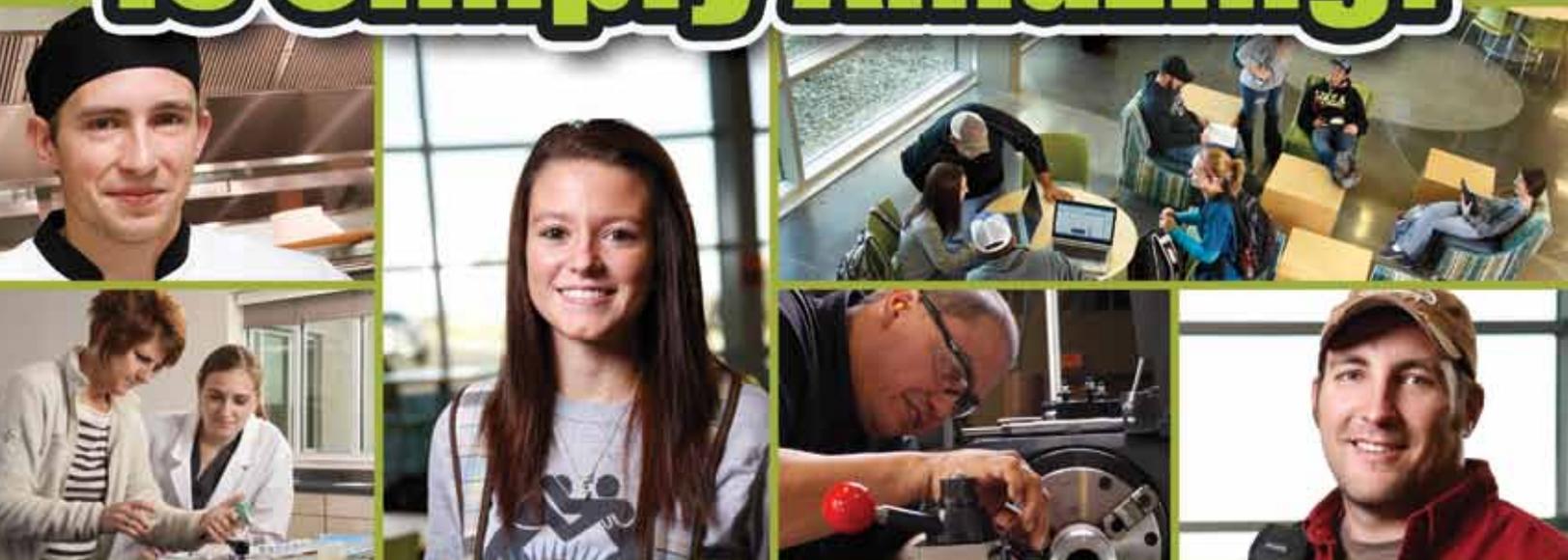


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There are so many great things to learn about MTI that we can't fit them on one page! We'd love for you to come and see for yourself. Sit in on a class, take a campus tour, participate in an activity, meet students and faculty. . . Really get to know us!

Here are a few ways we invite you to learn more about:

- MTI Career Expo
- MyTI Days
- Individual Visits
- Exploration Days
- Program Camps

Sign up for any of these visit events by contacting the MTI Admissions office. We hope to see you soon!

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SUCCESS: It's How We Roll

SDMyLife has been helping students navigate their way to rewarding college and career experiences since 2008. Think of it as your virtual success coach! SDMyLife's goal is to help you better understand how your interests, skills and knowledge relate to real-world academic and career opportunities. We can help you:

- Research, select and plan your career
- Find a good career match by taking interest and ability assessments
- Explore careers by career cluster, keyword or school subject
- Research post-secondary education and training options
- Build a portfolio
- Study for the ACT exam with Method Test Prep
- Find out about scholarship opportunities
- Map your education plans based on your career interest by building a Personal Learning Plan
- Save assessment scores
- Log career planning activities and extracurricular involvement
- Build a resume
- And much more



A MESSAGE FROM THE SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.
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HEADS UP

THE "REAL
WORLD"
IS HEADED YOUR WAY



YOU PROBABLY HEAR THIS A LOT,
BUT YOUR TIME
IN HIGH SCHOOL SERIOUSLY **FLIES.**

Before you know it you're out in the "real world" – either heading off to college, tech school, the military or out on your own with a full-time job. With so many big decisions on the horizon, it can be easy to feel overwhelmed. The trick is to have a plan (more on that later).



MY DREAM pg. 10

SDMyLife helps you research, select and plan for your dream career. Visit us online to explore careers by what we call "Career Clusters," as well as by keyword or school subject. The only rule is being honest with yourself and what you enjoy doing! You can also take SDMyLife interest and ability assessments online – and get instant matches to colleges, majors and career choices that might be a good fit for you.



MY PLAN pg. 42

Any career coach will tell you that success doesn't happen by accident. You're going to need a plan to go along with your dreams! SDMyLife will guide you in creating and saving a Personal Learning Plan. This online tool can help you map out academic and career goals, get started with college funding plans and more. And don't think it's just for juniors or seniors! SDMyLife has valuable information throughout your high school career – including "must have's" such as advanced education opportunities, rigorous coursework opportunities, and career and technical student organizations.



MY FUTURE pg. 58

No, we don't have a crystal ball. But SDMyLife does have interesting facts and statistics about what a future in South Dakota has in store for you. Learn about high-demand, high-skill, and high-wage careers in South Dakota, use resources to learn about cost of your dream lifestyle and even create a resume for future employers. It all starts now – and it all starts here!

They call us the Millennials, Generation Y. We are quick to learn and discover new technologies, so why not use these digital tools to our benefit? Here are a few of our favorites:



www.SDMyLife.com

KnowHow2GO

www.knowhow2go.org

Federal Student Aid
AN OFFICE OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

www.studentaid.ed.gov



www.dlr.sd.gov

**OCCUPATIONAL
OUTLOOK HANDBOOK**

www.bls.gov/ooh



www.selectdakota.org

DigiTOOLS FOR YOUR SUCCESS

MOBILE APPS:

Search for apps to help you manage your life and learn new things.

- Test preparation
- Internship locator
- To-do list management
- Savings calculators
- Checkbook registers

Yep. There's an app for that!

SOCIAL MEDIA:

"It's not what you know, it's who you know." You may have heard that saying from someone in your family or a teacher. It's the truth! Sites like Facebook and Twitter are a great way to keep up with your friends and find out what's going on around town. Start using your accounts

to get news and network with professionals. Get a foot in the door by using social media to connect with potential employers, learn from professionals and keep up with what's happening in the industries you're interested in.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION WEBSITES:

Interested in a career as a lineman? An engineer? An accountant? A plumber? Search out the organizations that represent the profession you're interested in. Learn what they do and what's new in the industry. If you're looking for advice on where to start, check out the "Other Resources" button in the lower left of any career profile in SDMyLife to link to professional organizations and other useful information.

UNCOVER YOUR DREAM CAREER



Remember when you were little?

You probably wanted to be a lot of things:

A DOCTOR **A FIREFIGHTER** **A TEACHER**
AN ASTRONAUT **A PRO ATHLETE**

Maybe even whatever your mom and dad do!
(Yeah right.)

Now that you're (almost) all grown up, it's time to get serious.

Don't worry – having it all figured out is rare right now.

Be prepared to change your mind a lot. It's okay!

FULL DISCLOSURE: Most adults change careers multiple times. So seriously, don't sweat it.

Over the next few pages you can learn more about what the SD Department of Education calls “Career Clusters” and “Career Pathways.”

A **career cluster** groups careers with similar skills and common themes. They are designed to help students acquire the knowledge and skills needed to reach postsecondary education and career goals. South Dakota recognizes 16 career clusters.

A **career pathway** is an area of concentration within a career cluster. Each pathway contains a group of careers requiring similar academic and technical skills as well as requiring similar industry certifications or postsecondary education.

READY? LET'S GET STARTED!



CAREER CLUSTER

CAREER PATHWAYS

AGRICULTURE, FOOD & NATURAL RESOURCES

- FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS
- PLANT SYSTEMS
- ANIMAL SYSTEMS
- POWER, STRUCTURAL & TECHNICAL SYSTEMS
- NATURAL RESOURCES SYSTEMS
- ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE SYSTEMS
- AGRIBUSINESS SYSTEMS

ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION

- DESIGN/PRE-CONSTRUCTION
- CONSTRUCTION
- MAINTENANCE/OPERATIONS

ARTS, AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATIONS

- A/V TECHNOLOGY & FILM
- PRINTING TECHNOLOGY
- VISUAL ARTS
- PERFORMING ARTS
- JOURNALISM & BROADCASTING
- TELECOMMUNICATIONS

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION

- GENERAL MANAGEMENT
- BUSINESS INFORMATION MANAGEMENT
- HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
- OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT
- ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- TEACHING & TRAINING
- PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES
- ADMINISTRATION & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

FINANCE

- SECURITIES & INVESTMENTS
- BUSINESS FINANCE
- ACCOUNTING
- BANKING SERVICES
- INSURANCE

GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

- GOVERNANCE
- NATIONAL SECURITY
- FOREIGN SERVICE
- PLANNING
- REVENUE & TAXATION
- REGULATION
- PUBLIC MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION

HEALTH SCIENCES

- THERAPEUTIC SERVICES
- DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES
- HEALTH INFORMATION SERVICES
- SUPPORT SERVICES
- BIOTECHNOLOGY RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

HOSPITALITY & TOURISM

- RESTAURANTS & FOOD/BEVERAGE SERVICES
- LODGING
- TRAVEL & TOURISM
- RECREATION, AMUSEMENTS & ATTRACTIONS

HUMAN SERVICES

- EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES
- COUNSELING & MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
- FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES
- PERSONAL CARE SERVICES
- CONSUMER SERVICES

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- NETWORK SYSTEMS
- INFORMATION SUPPORT & SERVICES
- WEB & DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS
- SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT
- PROGRAMMING & DESIGN

LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS & SECURITY

- CORRECTION SERVICES
- EMERGENCY & FIRE MANAGEMENT SERVICES
- SECURITY & PROTECTIVE SERVICES
- LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES
- LEGAL SERVICES

MANUFACTURING

- PRODUCTION
- MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION DEVELOPMENT
- MAINTENANCE, INSTALLATION & REPAIR
- QUALITY ASSURANCE
- LOGISTICS & INVENTORY CONTROL
- HEALTH, SAFETY & ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCE

MARKETING

- MARKETING MANAGEMENT
- PROFESSIONAL SALES
- MERCHANDISING
- MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS
- MARKETING RESEARCH

TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION & LOGISTICS

- TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS
- LOGISTICS PLANNING & MANAGEMENT SERVICES
- WAREHOUSING & DISTRIBUTION CENTER OPERATIONS
- FACILITY & MOBILE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE
- TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS/INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING, MANAGEMENT & REGULATION
- HEALTH, SAFETY & ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
- SALES & SERVICE

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATH (STEM)

- ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY
- SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS

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AGRICULTURE, FOOD & NATURAL RESOURCES



Agriculture, food and natural resources encompasses one of South Dakota's biggest industries, and virtually everyone on the planet is impacted by it. This cluster prepares learners for careers in the planning, implementation, production, management, processing and marketing of agricultural commodities and services.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Agronomist



Starting Salary Range:
\$40,300 to \$45,700



Demand in Market:
10.1% Growth 2012-2022

- ① Power, Structural & Technical Systems
- ② Food Products & Processing Systems
- ③ Animal Systems
- ④ Plant Systems
- ⑤ Natural Resources Systems
- ⑥ Environmental Science Systems
- ⑦ Agribusiness Systems

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Ag Business Sales & Marketing	Biology	Agricultural Biotechnology
Plant Science	Chemistry	Horticulture
		Capstone Experience



EXPERT INTERVIEW WITH BRENT WIESENBURGER PRECISION AG MANAGER SOUTH DAKOTA WHEAT GROWERS

WHAT ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS THE PRECISION AG MANAGER?

Keeping an eye on developing technologies and really trying to find the "Value" they could bring to the farm gate. We could sell and market all kinds of gadgets, but at the end of the day to be successful you have to add value to the producer's operation and that is what we look for at Wheat Growers. I am also leading a team to implement a complete company wide logistics system to help with the day to day field activities of our application fleet. Networking with industry experts is also a very large part of what I do and also very important.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ASPECT OF YOUR JOB?

Watching the technology change so quickly over the years. The thing I have enjoyed most is simply the relationships that have been established along the way. I have developed relationships with very successful producers, their employee's, industry folks and most of all my co-workers.

IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE SOME GOOD TRAITS TO HAVE IF PURSUING A DEGREE IN PRECISION AG?

Precision Ag requires excellent problem solving abilities (mechanical) and a great understanding of computers. With this comes organization skills, math skills and most of all "PATIENCE".

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

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SKILLS USA	FBLA	

My Dream.

ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION



Workers in this field design, plan, manage, build and maintain the built environment. If you enjoy working on new structures, restorations, additions, alterations and repairs, a career in this field might be for you.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED CAREER



Heavy Equipment Operator



Starting Salary Range:
\$29,700 to \$33,000



Demand in Market:
9.3% Growth 2012-2022

① Design/Pre-Construction

② Construction

③ Maintenance/Operations

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COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Intro to Architecture & Construction

Intro to Drafting & Design

Geometry

Residential Construction

Architectural Drafting

Computer Applications

Capstone Experience

INSIGHTS FROM **CODY LENGKEEK** FOREMAN/HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR/SNOW REMOVAL SUPERVISOR MORRIS, INC.

WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE ASPECTS OF YOUR CAREER?

My favorite part is starting a job from the beginning, doing all the work until the end and the satisfaction of the completed job along with a happy customer. I enjoy the environment of the jobs, such as starting out the day digging a hole with the excavator, moving to the dozer to fill the hole, and finally finishing off the ground work by blading it and paving it.

WHAT IS YOUR ADVICE FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE LOOKING TO PURSUE A CAREER/DEGREE IN CONSTRUCTION?

If you liked playing in sandboxes as a child, now you have a bigger sandbox with bigger toys to play in. Once you find a piece of equipment or construction that fits you go for it and let the machine become an extension of you.

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

SKILLS USA

MATH COUNTS

FBLA



MORRIS Inc.

My Dream.

ARTS, AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATIONS



Creative students who see themselves designing, producing, exhibiting, performing, writing and publishing multimedia content are fit for a career in the Arts, A/V Technology and Communications career cluster. You will apply artistic talent to practical problems and learn visual arts principles that prepare you with skills and techniques to work in any number of creative design and entertainment fields.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Graphic Designer



Starting Salary Range:
\$26,000 to \$29,300



Demand in Market:
7.4% Growth 2012-2022

① Audio & Visual Technology & Film

② Printing Technology

③ Visual Arts

④ Performing Arts

⑤ Journalism & Broadcasting

⑥ Telecommunications

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Web Publishing & Design

Digital Animation

Capstone Experience

Debate & Speech

Audiovisual Production



Q & A WITH **KRISTINA BARKER**
PHOTO EDITOR AT THE RAPID CITY JOURNAL

“WE ALL STARTED FROM SOMEWHERE, AND SUCCESS DOESN'T JUST FALL IN YOUR LAP. BE READY TO WORK HARD.”

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ASPECT OF YOUR JOB?

As journalists, we get to spend every day with people who are experts in their fields. There aren't too many people in the world whose job is getting to camp on the side of a volcano, fly in a glider plane or meet future presidents. I've never had one day be the same as the last. Each day is filled with new people and new stories.

IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE GOOD TRAITS TO HAVE IF PURSUING A CAREER IN ARTS, A/V TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS?

Be energetic. Be full of ideas. Be willing to take risks. Doing something unique may not always be successful, but you can't set yourself apart from the crowd if you don't try. Don't be afraid to experiment, and don't let go of what you drew you to the craft.

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

WEBSITE DESIGN

MUSICALS

YEARBOOK STAFF

SKILLS USA

DEBATE, SPEECH TEAM OR
DRAMA CLUB

PHOTOGRAPHY

My Dream.



BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION



Business Management and Administration careers encompass planning, organizing, directing and evaluating business functions that are essential to efficient and productive business operations. Career

opportunities are available in every sector of the economy and require specific skills in organization, time management, customer service and communication.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED CAREER



Operations Manager



Starting Salary Range:
\$66,300 to \$78,200



Demand in Market:
7.1% Growth 2012-2022

- ① General Management
- ② Business Information Management
- ③ Human Resources Management
- ④ Operations Management
- ⑤ Administrative Support

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Economics & Accounting

Entrepreneurship

Statistics

Business Law

International Business

Capstone Experience

2CENTS FROM RILEY DANDURAND

VICE PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER OF DAKOTA STYLE

IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE GOOD TRAITS TO HAVE IF PURSUING A CAREER IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT?

You have to be driven. Self-starting is key. Wake up in the morning and know what you want to do. Don't wait for someone to shine light on the path. Mow your own path. Be open minded, listen to other people's opinions and be able to create a collaborative product using everyone's opinions. Be empathetic. The focus of your company is based on customers. Be able to listen to their needs and why they need it to create the ultimate product. Finally, people skills! Be able to deal with all avenues of people and connect with them. Honesty is key in business with yourself, your customers, your co-workers. Without honesty, you lose the most valuable trait of all – trustworthiness.

WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR SOMEONE CONSIDERING A CAREER IN YOUR INDUSTRY?

Every business at the end of the day boils down to dollars and cents. Make sure you are doing something that you are whole-heartedly passionate about. Because, no matter the dollars and cents, your passion shines through even if the money doesn't. You just have to have passion because it's not all about making money. Passion takes care of everything else: wanting to learn, wanting to grow as a company and an individual. It makes the effort, stresses, and long hours so much more worthwhile.



ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

DEBATE TEAM

FBLA

SPEECH TEAM

STUDENT COUNCIL

DECA

My Dream.

EDUCATION & TRAINING



This diverse cluster prepares learners for careers in planning, managing and providing education and other related learning support services. If you enjoy motivating others, working with children, assisting those who need help and seeing others succeed, a career in the Education and Training cluster may be for you.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED CAREER



Health Educator



Starting Salary Range:
\$32,900 to \$36,600



Demand in Market:
11.8% Growth 2012-2022

① Teaching & Training

② Professional Support Services

③ Administration & Administrative Support

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

English, Writing & Speech

Introduction to Education & Training

Teaching & Training as a Profession

Human Development

Capstone Experience

EDUCATION & TRAINING 101

WITH JASON BUECHLER
SCHOOL COUNSELOR, WATERTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT



IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE GOOD TRAITS TO HAVE IF PURSUING A CAREER WITHIN EDUCATION & TRAINING?

To work in a career within Education and Training, you need to enjoy working with people. You should be patient with your students as they adapt to the changes they will encounter while growing up. Also, you should possess the ability to work in a team. School counselors work closely with parents, teachers, and administrators. A school counselor will be given many different problems in a day so being able to problem-solve is an important skill to possess.

WHAT IS YOUR ADVICE FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE LOOKING TO PURSUE A CAREER/DEGREE IN SCHOOL COUNSELING?

To be a school counselor, you need to be comfortable talking face-to-face with people. Try to work or volunteer in activities that involve people of all different ages and races. Take a variety of classes in high school that will help develop your problem solving skills. CTE classes will help strengthen your ability to think deeply about a problem and its potential solutions. Interview or shadow a school counselor for a day. They can show you many of the job duties and requirements you could expect to encounter each day.

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

ATHLETICS

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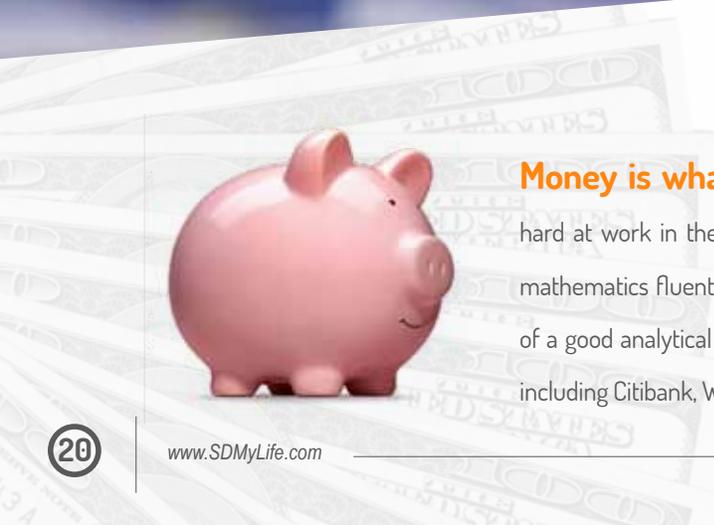
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STUDENT COUNCIL

TUTOR

My Dream.

FINANCE



Money is what makes the world go round. OK, maybe not... but to those hard at work in the Finance cluster, sometimes it can sure feel like it! If you speak the language of mathematics fluently, finance is likely a good place for you. And the Finance cluster is always in need of a good analytical mind. South Dakota is a central hub for some of the biggest banks in the nation – including Citibank, Wells Fargo and Premier Bankcard.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Insurance Agent



Starting Salary Range:
\$32,000 to \$37,200



Demand in Market:
8.3% Growth 2012-2022

① Securities & Investments

② Business Finance

③ Accounting

④ Insurance

⑤ Banking Services

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Economics & Accounting

Business Law

Computer Applications

International Business
& Marketing

Intro to Financial Services

Banking Services

Capstone Experience



MANAGING FINANCES WITH JESSE KONOLD

INSURANCE SPECIALIST WITH KEY AGENCY

WHAT DOES YOUR COMPANY SPECIALIZE IN?

We have a heavy focus on insurance coverage for SD schools, Petroleum Dealers, and Farm/Ranches.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ASPECT OF YOUR CAREER?

When something bad happens to our client's house, car, business, or farm/ranch it is a trying time for them. When I am able to help in aiding them financially because of the work we have done, it is very rewarding.

WHAT IS YOUR ADVICE FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE LOOKING TO PURSUE A CAREER/DEGREE IN FINANCE?

To be a constant learner in the ever-changing industry. With different regulations and laws that are passed, you can be a better advisor by staying up to date. This will reward you with lasting relationships with your customers.

OTHER COMMENTS?

Insurance companies and agencies are looking for accountants, actuaries, management, IT, customer service representatives, and agents. I would highly recommend finding your local independent agent if you are interested in a career in the insurance industry.

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

BUSINESS PLAN
COMPETITION

DECA

FBLA

LOCAL INVESTMENT CLUB

ORGANIZE LOCAL
FUNDRAISER

My Dream.

GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION



Professionals in this cluster plan and execute government functions at local, state and federal levels. Anyone who has a hand in the day-to-day operations of the government works within this cluster. If you have a passion for serving our country and are an organized individual, this cluster may be for you.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Auditor

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Starting Salary Range:
\$41,600 to \$47,800

%

Demand in Market:
8.7% Growth 2012-2022

① Governance

② National Security

③ Foreign Service

④ Planning

⑤ Revenue & Taxation

⑥ Regulation

⑦ Public Management & Administration

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Business Law	Government	Business Communications
English, Speech & Debate	World Languages	Capstone Experience



ADVICE FROM A PRO

- TY LITTAU
 AG DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATIVE
 SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE GOOD TRAITS TO HAVE IF PURSUING A CAREER WITHIN GOVERNMENT?

When pursuing a career in government, flexibility is key and relationships matter. Being a good steward of relationships you have now will open or close doors for you in high school, college or even in the workforce. Be sure to always make good decisions.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ASPECT OF YOUR JOB?

I get to learn something new every day. I work with passionate people about the products and businesses they are involved in. My job is always changing and I get to represent a topic I am passionate about in a state that I love! Whatever I do reflects back to the governor and I take pride in that!

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

DEBATE OR SPEECH TEAM	JUNIOR ROTC	GIRLS/BOYS STATE	FFA
STUDENT COUNCIL	LEGISLATIVE PAGE	FBLA	

My Dream.

HEALTH SCIENCES



This cluster orients students with careers that promote health, wellness and diagnosis as well as treat injuries and diseases. Some of the

careers involve working directly with people, while others involve researching, collecting and formatting data and information. If these topics interest you, Health Sciences might be the way to go.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED CAREER



Diagnostic Medical Sonographer



Starting Salary Range:
\$39,900 to \$45,300



Demand in Market:
33.3% Growth 2012-2022

① Therapeutic Services

② Diagnostic Services

③ Health Informatics

④ Support Services

⑤ Biotechnology Research & Development

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Medical Terminology

Pharmacology

Human Body Systems

Biology

Health & Wellness

Capstone Experience

Chemistry

AMBER WEBER

PHARMACY TECH
DT PHARMACY, ABERDEEN, SD

IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE GOOD TRAITS TO HAVE IF PURSUING A CAREER IN PHARMACY TECH?

To be a tech, you need to be organized, smart, able to think on your feet, and take a lot of information in at once. You have to be accurate at what your doing because people's lives are in your hands. Most of all you have to be able to multi-task, to be able to handle several different projects and stay on track even when you get interrupted to help a patient or answer a phone call. You also need to be courteous, kind, empathetic, and a good listener to relate to your customer to provide them excellent service.

WHAT ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AT THE PHARMACY?

As a Pharmacy Tech at a long term care pharmacy, I have several responsibilities. My main job is to help the pharmacist enter scripts for all of our residents. I also interact with the nursing staff at the facilities to make sure the medical needs of our patients are met. There is also always paperwork to do whether it be record keeping, audits, billing, or book keeping. I also fill the scripts once they are entered into the computer and labels are printed.

WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR SOMEONE CONSIDERING A CAREER IN YOUR INDUSTRY?

If you're pursuing a career as a pharmacy tech, be prepared for a fast-paced work environment. It's going to be challenging, and there is a pretty big learning curve that you will experience. However, it is a very rewarding career and something you can be proud of.



ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

SKILLS USA

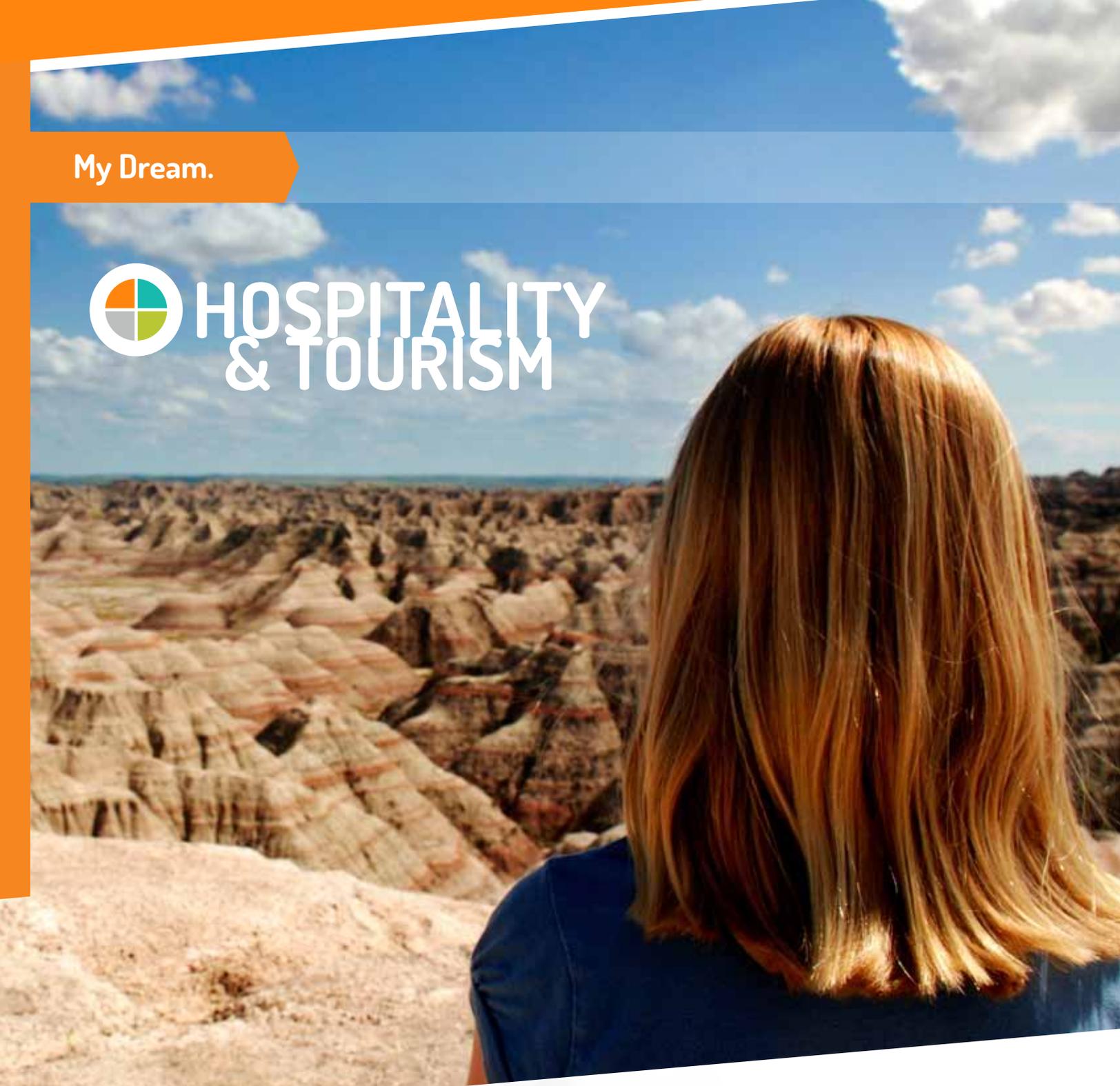
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SCIENCE CLUBS

SCRUBS CAMP

HOSA

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HOSPITALITY & TOURISM



This is a prominent career cluster in the Mount Rushmore state!

This cluster prepares individuals for employment in careers that work with food/beverage services, lodging, travel and tourism, recreation, amusement and attractions. If you are intrigued by the idea of helping others explore the beauty, culture and cuisine of the world around them, a career in Hospitality and Tourism may be for you.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Convention Planner



Starting Salary Range:
\$25,200 to \$27,200



Demand in Market:
24.6% Growth 2012-2022

① Restaurants & Food/ Beverage Services

② Lodging

③ Travel & Tourism

④ Recreation, Amusements & Attractions

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Principles of Marketing

Culinary Arts

Food Technology

Computer Application

Event Management

Capstone Experience



Q & A

HAYLI JOHNSON
SALES MANAGER
SPEARFISH CANYON LODGE

HOW DID YOU BEGIN YOUR CAREER WITH SPEARFISH CANYON LODGE?

I started working for the lodge in 2010 as a part time restaurant server during the school year and then full time during the summer. I quickly moved into the night supervisor position, and then the banquet supervisor shortly after that. I continued serving for the summer after receiving my degree from BHSU in the spring of 2012. That fall the Sales Manager position became available and the General Manager suggested that I apply. After multiple interviews I was offered the position and started the following week.

IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE GOOD TRAITS TO HAVE IF PURSUING A CAREER IN HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM?

A person needs to have creativity, patience, drive and flexibility. As well as an outgoing personality and enjoy working with others. A good trait is taking the time to learn from your peers and keeping up on growing trends as the tourism industry is a continuously changing business.

WHAT COURSES OR EXPERIENCES DID YOU HAVE THAT INFLUENCED YOU TO PURSUE YOUR CAREER?

I was unsure of what I wanted to do for a career. I decided to take all of my general classes to think about it. Some classes that really had an impact include: Business Ethics, Business Politics, Business Finance, Tourism and Hospitality Management as well as Business Law, Business Marketing and Advertising.

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

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SKILLS USA

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My Dream.



HUMAN SERVICES



The Human Services cluster includes careers that improve quality of life and promote safe, healthy communities. Workers in human services better

our lives by tending to our psychological, social and physical needs. If you are looking for a job relating to families and human needs, check out the careers in this cluster.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Funeral Director



Starting Salary Range:
\$40,500 to \$44,600



Demand in Market:
13.3% Growth 2012-2022

① Early Childhood Development & Services

② Counseling & Mental Health Services

③ Family & Community Services

④ Personal Care Services

⑤ Consumer Services

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Nutrition & Wellness

Business Management

Psychology & Sociology

Human Development

Skills for Parenting

Capstone Experience

EXPERT SUGGESTIONS FROM MARNI WHALEN, RD, LN, CDE MOVE! COORDINATOR BLACK HILLS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

WHAT IS YOUR ADVICE FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE LOOKING TO PURSUE A CAREER/DEGREE IN HUMAN SERVICES?

Know that it's a competitive field and do some research on the career. It's beneficial to contact a professional in the field of your interest, take part in job shadowing and explore postsecondary schools.

IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE GOOD TRAITS TO HAVE IF PURSUING A CAREER WITHIN YOUR PROFESSION?

In this field, you must enjoy working with people, being a good leader and helping others. It is important to prepare yourself for the future with science courses while in high school.



ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

FCCLA

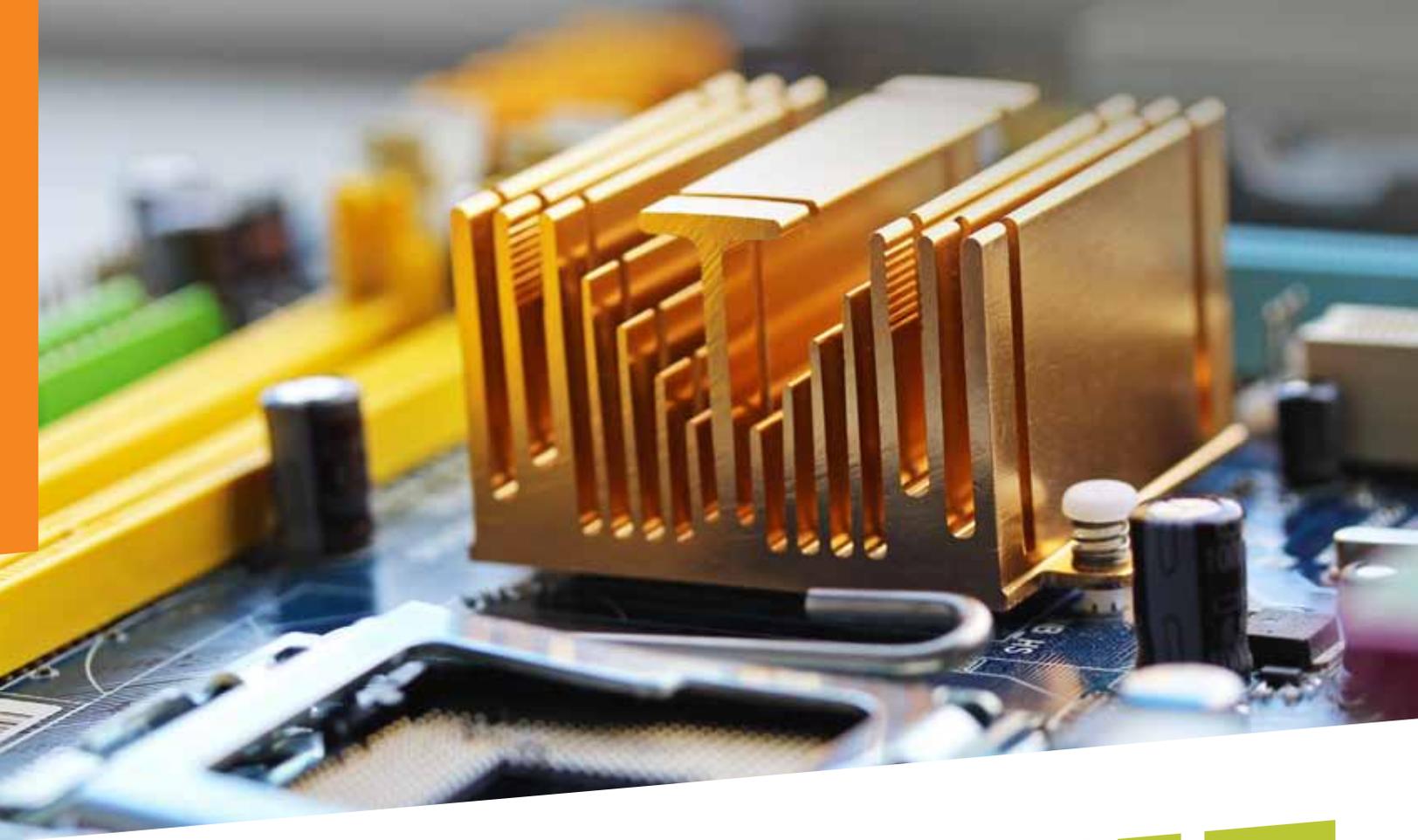
PEER MEDIATOR

MENTOR

TUTOR

My Dream.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



With technology constantly changing and advancing, this cluster is sure to have an ongoing high demand of workers. If you are skilled in keeping up with the constantly advancing technology industry, this cluster may have the right career for you.



PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Information Security Analyst



Starting Salary Range:
\$53,000 to \$66,300



Demand in Market:
25% Growth 2012-2022

① Network Systems

② Information Support & Services

③ Web & Digital Communications

④ Programming & Software Development

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Networking Systems

Cabling

Capstone Experience

Calculus

Electronics

“GEEKSPEAK” WITH DocuTAP DUSTY SCHROEDER

WHAT DOES YOUR COMPANY DO?

DocuTAP is web-based software for urgent care clinics and includes four main components: an integrated EHR (electronic health records), a PM (practice management) tool, Analytics, and a CME (coding made easy) tool. All DocuTAP components are designed to work as one integrated, electronic health record system—servicing all aspects of patient workflow. DocuTAP also offers RCM (revenue cycle management) as a service for billing and claims management.

WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR A STUDENT WHO IS INTERESTED IN WORKING WITHIN IT?

DocuTAP knows IT is a fast-growing and ever-changing field. Students interested in the field should be ready for an exciting, dynamic career that will require flexible, innovative thinking. Data

sharing is the power that connects society. Using technology as a tool to harness this potential is why DocuTAP was developed.

Students should always be educating themselves on new ways of software development—and thinking of new ways technology can connect people and help solve a problem (or make a current process better). To succeed in IT, you must remain excited and curious as the industry is always evolving.

Mentorship, internships, self-education, and practical application classes will help give students the skills needed for info tech. Creative problem solving, entrepreneurship activities, and exposure to other fields and ways of thinking can spark the next tech idea. A new idea is the foundation of every successful company, technology-based or not.

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

FBLA

SKILLS USA

My Dream.



LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS & SECURITY



This cluster prepares students for careers in planning, managing and providing legal services including homeland security, public safety and protective services. If you feel you would enjoy an occupation where you can serve and protect, a career in this cluster may be just what you're looking for.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Paramedic



Starting Salary Range:
\$21,600 to \$24,100



Demand in Market:
10.6% Growth 2012-2022

- ① Correction Services
- ② Emergency & Fire Management Services
- ③ Security & Protective Services
- ④ Law Enforcement Services
- ⑤ Legal Services

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

American Government

English

Health & Physical Fitness

Intro to Emergency
Medical Services

Human Development

World Language

Capstone Experience

Q&A WITH OFFICER ROAN REIMAN RAPID CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ASPECT OF YOUR JOB?

I enjoy serving the community, helping others and being able to assist everyone from all economic statuses. The dynamic of being a police officer allows me to experience a lot of different things in society.

WHAT IS YOUR ADVICE FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE LOOKING TO PURSUE A CAREER/DEGREE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT?

I advise student to go to their local service and request to ride along with the officers. It is a great opportunity learn about what they do, the language they use, and what society expects of them when in uniform.

ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR ADVICE FOR STUDENTS?

- Being bilingual or multilingual is a good trait to have.
- Study
- Be active in the community.
- Start making connections – if people know you are being proactive, they will remember you.



ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

ATHLETICS

MOCK TRIALS

GIRLS STATE

JUNIOR ROTC

STUDENT COUNCIL

DEBATE TEAM

BOYS STATE

My Dream.

MANUFACTURING



Manufacturing is one of South Dakota's in-demand industries. If you are interested in planning, managing and performing the processing of materials into final products, a career in this cluster may be for you.



PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Welder



Starting Salary Range:
\$27,800 to \$31,800



Demand in Market:
30.9% Growth 2012-2022

① Production

② Manufacturing Production Process Development

③ Maintenance, Installation & Repair

④ Quality Assurance

⑤ Logistics & Inventory Control

⑥ Health, Safety & Environmental Assurance

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Machine Tool

Physics

Welding Technology

Geometry

Mechatronics/Robotics

Capstone Experience

Mechanical Drafting

ACTIVITIES

How to get involved.

SKILLS USA

FFA

PLTW

INTERNSHIPS

ADVICE FROM BILL COPE

THE FREEMAN COMPANY -
AVIATION MANUFACTURING GROUP, LLC

“This is a high-quality, detailed environment with strong thinking and decision making.”

WHAT IS THE HISTORY OF YOUR COMPANY?

We have been in business since 1937. Our products have evolved as airplanes have become more sophisticated.

WHAT SPECIFICALLY DOES YOUR COMPANY PRODUCE?

Precision machined aerospace products, including swaged tubular assemblies, critical flight control assemblies, torque tubes & precision turning.

WHAT TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUNDS DO EMPLOYEES AT YOUR COMPANY HAVE?

Mechanical Engineering, IT systems, Accounting, CNC Machining & Programming

FREEMAN
COMPANY - Aviation Manufacturing Group LLC.



My Dream.



MARKETING



This cluster is ideal for creative individuals who still get a thrill out of giving a sales pitch. Creativity paired with solid people skills are essential in the marketing cluster. Effective communication is also a must. Since most of what we buy is fulfilling a want rather than an actual need, consumers are largely driven by effective marketing. Today's global marketplace has made the industry even more competitive. People representing this cluster largely influence our decisions to buy through brand advertising, creative messaging and product placement.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Market Research Analyst



Starting Salary Range:
\$35,000 to \$41,200



Demand in Market:
30.5% Growth 2012-2022

- ① Marketing Management
- ② Professional Sales
- ③ Merchandising
- ④ Marketing Communications
- ⑤ **Market Research**

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Marketing Management	Probability Statistics
English & Creative Writing	Public Speaking
Accounting & Business Law	Capstone Experience
Market Research	

INSIGHT FROM COURTNEY NOLZ OWNER OF COWGIRL CRUSH XO

“ Our generation uses sites like Facebook, Twitter, & Instagram on a daily basis and I have found that it is the best form for advertising and marketing my business. Cowgirl Crush has grown through word of mouth and social media. CCXO has customers all over the United States, Canada, & Australia. Entrepreneurs need creativity, a vision, & a make-it-happen attitude. The saying is true, if you love what you are doing you will never work a day in your life. ”

ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

DECA	SPEECH TEAM & DEBATE TEAM
FBLA	FUND RAISERS
SCHOOL NEWSPAPER/ YEARBOOK	STUDENT GOVERNMENT

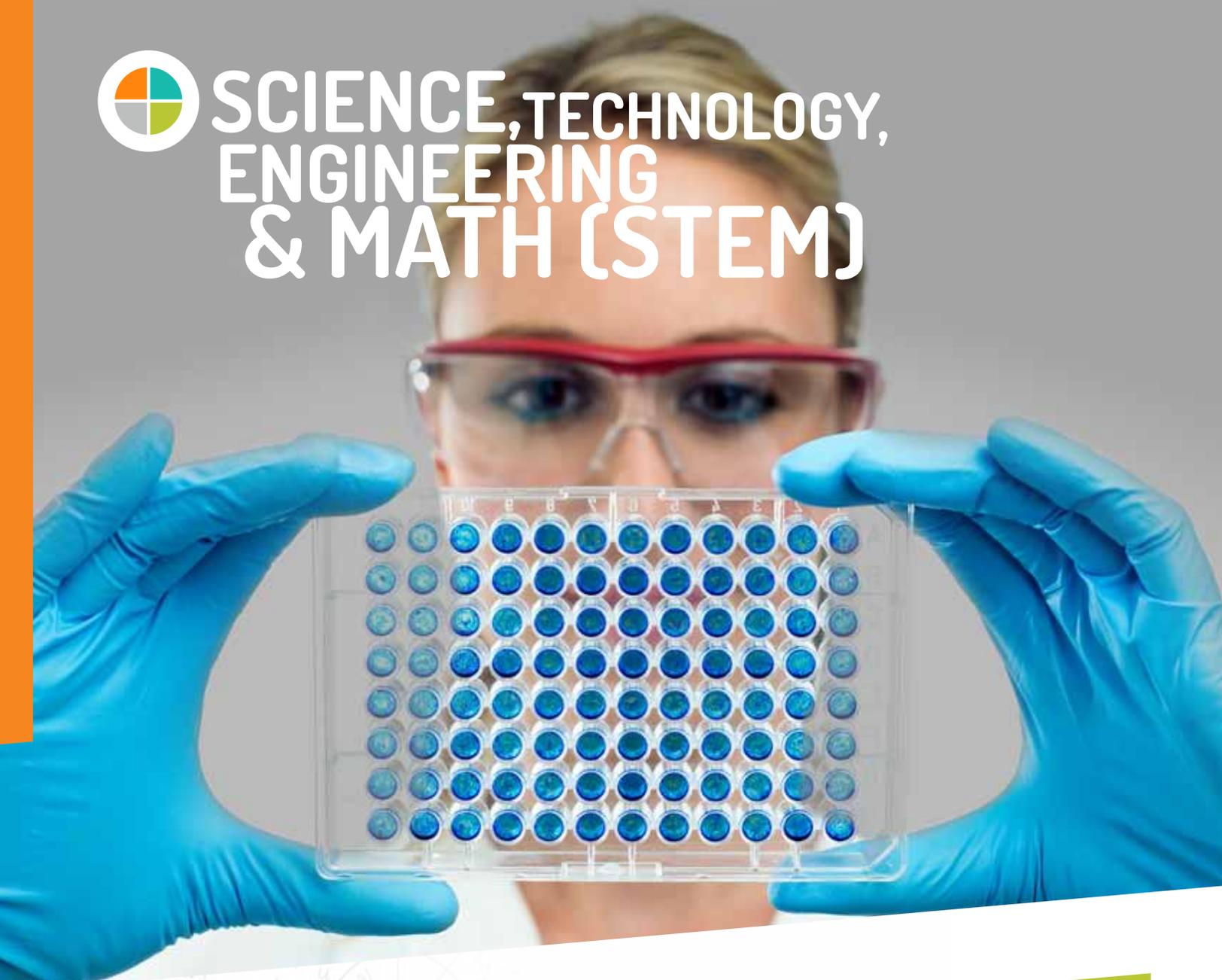


Cowgirl Crush
www.cowgirlcrushxo.com

My Dream.



SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATH (STEM)



Workers in this cluster provide solutions to technical problems across many industries. If you think creatively, wonder how to make things better and can apply what you've learned in math and science classes to solve real-world problems, a career in STEM may be for you.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Civil Engineer



Starting Salary Range:
\$49,100 to \$54,800



Demand in Market:
18.3% Growth 2012-2022

① Engineering & Technology

② Science & Mathematics

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Mechatronics/Robotics

Energy/Power

Mathematics

Engineering Design & Development

Chemistry

Capstone Experience

LISTEN TO THE PROKEITH HAFFER

PRESIDENT AND CHIEF SCIENTIFIC OFFICER
BRAASCH BIOTECH LLC

WHAT DOES YOUR COMPANY SPECIALIZE IN?

Braasch Biotech LLC holds the largest number of worldwide patents of any biotech company in South Dakota. Braasch specializes in anti-hormone vaccines and adjuvants. Our vaccines target 2 areas: 1) Productivity in livestock (increased milk and meat production); and, 2) therapeutic treatment of obesity. Our obesity vaccine is the world's first, patented vaccine for treating the obese condition and has applications in humans and pets.

WHAT IS YOUR ADVICE FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE LOOKING TO PURSUE A CAREER/DEGREE IN STEM?

Choose what career you want to pursue and attend a college that has strong programs in your chosen field.

ARE THERE ANY CLASSES OR ACTIVITIES YOU WOULD SUGGEST STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN IF THEY ARE LOOKING INTO A CAREER WITHIN STEM?

Join clubs and associations (student and professional). Attend seminars, even if the topic is beyond your current level of understanding. Read scientific journals and other publications (on-line and in the library). Apply for internships, if offered, with local companies.



ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

MATH COUNTS

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY

SCIENCE FAIR

ROBOTICS

My Dream.



TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION & LOGISTICS



In this career cluster, professionals are involved in the planning, management and movement of people, materials and products by road, air, rail and water. If you are always on the go, this cluster may have a career for you.

PATHWAYS Where this career can take you.

FEATURED
CAREER



Transportation Inspector



Starting Salary Range:
\$32,600 to \$35,000



Demand in Market:
15.4% Growth 2012-2022

- ① Transportation Operations
- ② Logistics Planning & Management Services
- ③ Warehousing & Distribution Center Operations
- ④ Facility & Mobile Equipment Maintenance
- ⑤ Transportation Systems/Infrastructure
- ⑥ Planning, Management & Regulation
- ⑦ Health, Safety & Environmental Management
- ⑧ Sales & Service

To view salary ranges and other information on the career of your choice visit: www.SDMyLife.com

COURSES Where to focus your studies.

Automotive Electronics	Geometry
Entrepreneurship	Physics
Intro to Tech Ed	Capstone Experience
General Service Technician	

JOHN ROTH LOCOMOTIVE MECHANIC RAPID CITY, PIERRE & EASTERN RAILROAD

SAYS:

“A **TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE** must have a good work ethic. Many of the projects you will work on require strenuous labor and heavy lifting, or some require small pieces and precision. **PEOPLE SKILLS** are also a must. In mechanics, there are lots of details involved and **COMMUNICATION IS KEY**. You have to listen to the customer, or in my case the foreman and the engine operator, for details like engine noises, for example, to diagnose exactly what needs to be repaired on the engine. **BE PREPARED TO NEVER HAVE TWO WORK DAYS THE SAME!**”

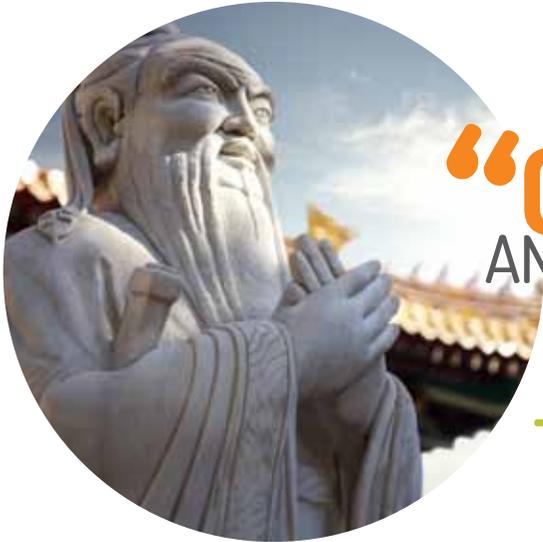
ACTIVITIES How to get involved.

INTERNSHIP

SKILLS USA

MATH CLUB





“CHOOSE A JOB YOU LOVE AND YOU WILL NEVER WORK A DAY IN YOUR LIFE”
-CONFUCIUS

There are many options for life after high school.

You can go to a college, university, technical institute or tribal college. You can join the military. You can train through an apprenticeship or internship. You can join the workforce.

And no matter what, you can choose the path that's right for you!

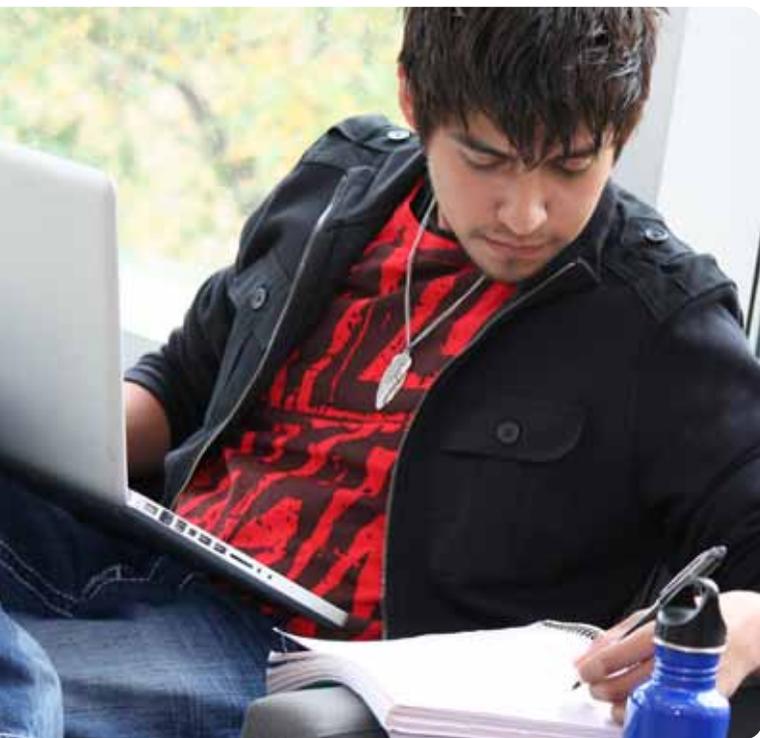


Now that you've explored the Career Clusters, you might have a better idea of which ones fit your interests. Still unsure? Try this:

- 1 Log onto **SDMyLife.com** and complete the Matchmaker to discover your top recommended clusters and careers.
- 2 Take the **Ability Profiler** to discover the relationship between your abilities and the careers that match your interests.
- 3 Get going on your life plans!

A SDMYLIFE CAREER MATCHMAKER

The SDMyLife Matchmaker is a short interest inventory that asks you to rate a variety of topics on a scale from dislike very much to like very much. Once you have completed the Matchmaker, SDMyLife will provide you with its top recommended career clusters and a list of 40 career suggestions that align with your interests. You also have the option to answer more questions to make the best alignment possible. Log in to check out your career matches!

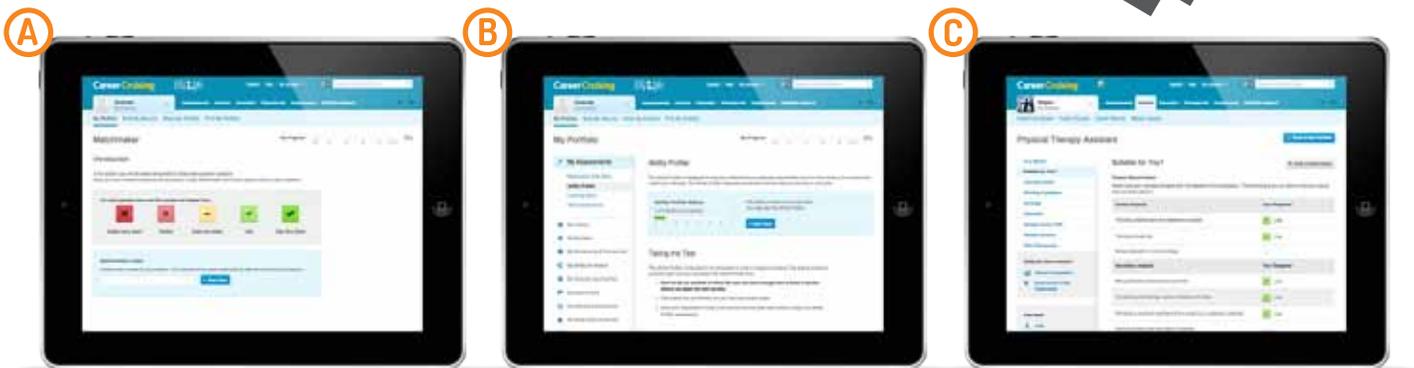
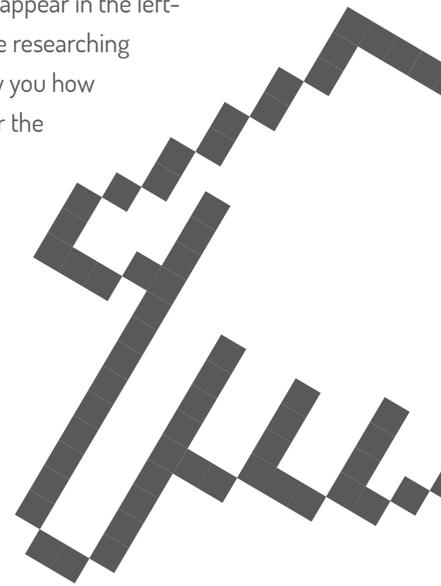


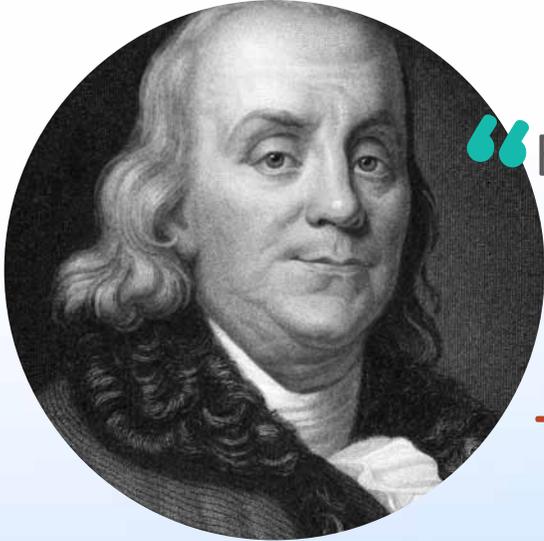
B SDMYLIFE ABILITY PROFILER

The SDMyLife Ability Profiler is designed to help you understand the relationship between your abilities and your career interests. The online assessment is composed of six sections that measure your ability in areas that are essential to success in most jobs. The areas are arithmetic reasoning, verbal ability, spatial ability, computation, clerical perception and form perception. When completed, SDMyLife will provide you with how many you answered correctly, a percentile rating, and will show you how your abilities align with the careers from your career matchmaker suggested careers. The Ability Profiler will give you an idea of the skills you exceed in and the skills that need improvement for your future career.

C SUITABLE FOR YOU?

As you complete the assessments on SDMyLife, a section called "Suitable for You?" will appear in the left-hand navigation when you are researching careers. The section will show you how the characteristics needed for the occupation compare to your interests, how your ability profile compares to an average profile for the profession, and how you rated your skills for this field of work.





“BY FAILING TO PREPARE
YOU ARE PREPARING TO FAIL”

-BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

Success after high school isn't something that will just happen to you.

You're going to have to work hard for it.

That doesn't mean you can't have fun,
but it does mean you need to start laying the groundwork now for your future goals.

YOUR FUTURE REALLY DOES START NOW!



16 THINGS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CAN DO TO PREPARE FOR UNIVERSITIES OR TECHNICAL INSTITUTES



1 STUDY

Earning good grades takes time and effort, but your high school transcript needs to showcase a solid grade point average for any university or technical institute to consider admitting you. If you struggle with a subject, ask for help; be sure to turn in all your assignments on time.

2 DO EXTRA CREDIT

Ask for extra credit through all four years of high school, especially if you struggle with a specific subject. Doing so will not only help your overall GPA, but it will also make you stand out among high school teachers that admire initiative.

3 ASK QUESTIONS

A lot of high school students are satisfied sitting in the back of the class with their heads down. However, students that ask questions and engage themselves retain more during a class.

4 READ, READ, READ!

Reading outside of your school obligations will help build your vocabulary and further prepare you for a college workload. Broadening your vocabulary may also help you earn higher scores on your English and reading-focused ACTs questions.

5 PARTICIPATE

Extracurricular activities are important for several reasons. First you have the opportunity to learn about music, arts, and athletics. You will also learn how to work and communicate with peers and mentors.

6 MAKE A LIST OF SCHOOLS

Make a list of university or technical institutes you're considering attending in your sophomore or junior year. Narrow down your list based on the schools that excel in these fields. At the end of your junior year, going into your senior year you should have a rough list of three to five colleges you're serious about attending.

7 TAKE STANDARDIZED TESTS

Your junior year is the best time to take the ACT and SAT. Plan on retaking the tests in your senior year if you are not happy with your scores.

8 FILL OUT YOUR FAFSA

Filling out your Free Application for Federal Aid will give you an idea of how much financial aid you are eligible for. Because many grants, scholarships, and other forms of federal aid are granted competitively it is important to fill out your FAFSA.

9 SET A REALISTIC COLLEGE BUDGET

Sit down with your parents or family and get real about how much you can afford to spend on college. Once you set a budget, talk with your school counselor about finding a school within that budget.

10 MAKE A LIST OF DEADLINES

By your junior year, compile a list of deadlines you must meet. FAFSA forms, SAT/ACT tests, college applications, and other important deadlines should be met in an organized fashion. Check out the planning tools in SDMyLife!

11 ATTEND COLLEGE & CAREER FAIRS

College and career fairs are a great way to meet with schools and businesses to narrow down your options.

12 TAKE CHALLENGING COURSES

Do not mistake high school for a breezy, four-year party. Challenge yourself with electives and advanced courses to prepare you for college and beef up that all-important transcript. Advanced placement and dual credit courses are great options.

13 APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

No matter what your financial situation is, there are scholarships for high school students based on academic, athletic, and artistic achievements. Choose the scholarships you are best suited for and apply in your junior and senior years. Log in to SDMyLife to search scholarships you're eligible to apply for.

14 APPLY!

Applying to college is one of the most important steps on the road to furthering your education. Apply to as many schools as possible, but keep in mind that there are application fees. Apply to three to five of your top colleges, and ask your school counselor to review your application before you turn it in.

15 SET HIGH GOALS!

Setting goals will help make you accountable for your own success. Strive to be in the top 10-15 percent of your class, take extra electives in your junior and senior semesters, and even run for office in your class.

16 RELAX!

Planning for college takes a lot of work and planning, and should be taken seriously. Yet, it is important to have fun and spend time with your friends. Enjoy your high school years and work hard for a successful college career.



“THE **ONLY** PLACE **SUCCESS** COMES BEFORE **WORK** IS IN THE DICTIONARY.”

VINCE LOMBARDI-



Why take the easy way out?

High school should be about challenging yourself and honing your skills for what comes next. There are a variety of ways for you to challenge yourself academically in South Dakota. It might not sound like fun, but trust us

- THEY'RE 100% WORTH IT.

VIRTUAL SCHOOL COURSES

The South Dakota Virtual School is a clearinghouse of distance courses offered by approved providers. Courses are available online and via the Digital Dakota Network (DDN). The goal of the Virtual School is to provide choice, flexibility and quality for all students across that state.

Any middle or high school student enrolled in a South Dakota school can take courses via the Virtual School. Check out Virtual School courses if:

- 1 Your school doesn't offer the desired course
- 2 A course doesn't fit into your schedule
- 3 You're in need of credit recovery
- 4 You need an academic challenge

To get started, browse the course offerings at www.sdvs.k12.sd.us.

Talk to the appropriate contact person at your school regarding your course interests. The school representative will review your request and, if approved, get you registered!



DUAL CREDIT COURSES

Dual credit is an opportunity for you to enroll in postsecondary schools in South Dakota and simultaneously earn credits for both a high school diploma and postsecondary degree or certificate. To learn more, check out the dual credit page on SDMyLife.com.



AP COURSES

Advanced Placement (AP) courses provide college-level curriculum and exams that will help you develop study skills and habits for the rigors of college coursework. AP exams are administered in May of each year and students earn scores ranging from 1-5 on their exams. Many colleges throughout the United States offer credit for students who score 3 or higher on their AP exams. To learn more, check out the AP page on www.SDMyLife.com.

RIGOROUS COURSEWORK

Rigorous courses can give you a career-building experience that will ensure what you are learning in school is relevant to what is happening in business. You will experience in-depth coursework that will prepare you for specific careers in the workforce. Learn more at www.SDMyLife.com.



ProStart: A career-building program that gives you a taste for success in the restaurant and food service industry by blending both classroom learning and work experience to produce the culinary and management leaders of tomorrow.



Project Lead the Way (PLTW): Prepares you to be the most innovative and productive leaders in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) and to make meaningful, pioneering contributions to our world. Through an engaging, hands-on curriculum, PLTW encourages the development of problem-solving skills, critical thinking, creative and innovative reasoning, and love of learning. Classes are available in engineering and biomedical services.



Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education (CASE): CASE provides you with a high level of educational experiences to enhance the rigor and relevance of agriculture, food and natural resources (AFNR). CASE also provides purposeful enhancement of science, mathematics and English language understanding.

My Plan.

Get Involved



“FIND A GROUP OF PEOPLE
**WHO CHALLENGE &
INSPIRE YOU.**
SPEND A LOT OF TIME WITH THEM,
AND IT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE.”

- AMY POEHLER



Depending on what you're interested in, there are many ways to get involved in organizations that promote leadership, teamwork and citizenship throughout your high school or college career. It's a great way to get life experience to set you apart from the pack as you apply for college, academic scholarships or for a job.

And you're sure to meet some smart people (a.k.a. mentors who can help you land a great job or internship) along the way. Check them out to see if one is right for you!



www.sddeca.org

DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and colleges around the globe.



www.fbla.dsu.edu

Future Business Leaders of America (FBIA) brings business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs.



www.sdfccla.org

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) provides personal growth, leadership development and career preparation opportunities for students in Family and Consumer Sciences education.



www.futureeducators.org

The Future Educators Association (FEA) fosters the recruitment and development of prospective educators through the dissemination of innovative programming and relevant research. By elevating the image of teaching, FEA attracts dynamic and diverse students who will become tomorrow's great educators.



aged.sdstate.edu

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.



skillsusasd.org

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps its members become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens. It provides quality educational experiences for students in leadership, teamwork, citizenship and character development.

My Plan.

Make It Personal



“THOSE IN CHARGE OF THEIR
OWN DESTINY
ARE GOING TO DO WHAT'S
RIGHT FOR THEM.”

- SHAQUILLE O'NEILL

When considering your future career,
there is much more to consider than how long you want to go to school
or how much money you want to make.

CREATE A PERSONAL LEARNING PLAN

When you identify the career cluster or the specific career you're interested in pursuing, you can make plans to enhance your knowledge and skills as early as 8th grade!

Creating a Personal Learning Plan (PLP), or a plan for the courses you'll take in high school, helps you determine how you'll meet the requirements for graduation at your district and take the courses that will best help you meet your academic and career goals.

Think of it like a road trip: Your ultimate career goal is where you're going, and the steps you need to get there are like mile markers on the way. Your Personal Learning Plan is your roadmap!

Log into your **SDMyLife** account and build your Personal Learning Plan and review it often. As you continue through high school, your interests and goals may shift. That's okay! If your career interests do change, be sure to edit your Personal Learning Plan.

FOR EXAMPLE:

If you're interested in a career in healthcare you might include coursework in the life sciences like advanced biology, anatomy, medical terminology or genetics.

If you're planning a career in manufacturing, courses like trigonometry, robotics or drafting would be a good fit.

Human services? Think about options like sociology, nutrition and wellness and human development.



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SDMyLife Features Word Search

- ABILITY PROFILER
- CAREER CLUSTER SEARCH
- CAREER MATCHMAKER
- CAREER SELECTOR
- COMPARE SCHOOL
- FINANCIAL AID SELECTOR
- LEARNING STYLES INVENTORY
- METHOD TEST PREP
- MY DREAM
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- RESUME BUILDER
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My Plan.

Are You Planning to Attend College?



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CAREER.
I’D RATHER BE
SMART THAN A
MOVIE STAR.”

-NATALIE PORTMAN

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| ② Capital University Center | ⑧ Southeast Tech |
| ③ Lake Area Tech | ⑨ University Center Rapid City |
| ④ Mitchell Technical Institute | ⑩ University Center Sioux Falls |
| ⑤ Northern State University | ⑪ University of South Dakota |
| ⑥ South Dakota School of Mines and Technology | ⑫ Western Dakota Tech |

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Log into your **SDMyLife** account to compare schools based on general information, admissions, estimated expenses, student life, athletics and undergraduate majors for up to three schools at a time. Also check out the School Selector to match your interests with location, tuition costs, types of programs, athletics offered and more.



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SDMyLife Features Solution

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- ABILITY PROFILER (15, 15, NW)
- CAREER CLUSTER SEARCH (21, 2, SW)
- CAREER MATCH MAKER (22, 18, W)
- CAREER SELECTOR (3, 22, E)
- COMPARE SCHOOL (21, 2, S)
- FINANCIAL AID SELECTOR (3, 17, E)
- LEARNING STYLES INVENTORY (1, 23, NE)
- METHOD TEST PREP (7, 14, NE)
- MY DREAM (23, 8, N)
- MY FUTURE (12, 8, NW)
- MY PLAN (18, 23, NE)
- MY PORTFOLIO (21, 4, SW)
- PERSONAL LEARNING PLAN (24, 1, S)
- RESUME BUILDER (7, 1, SE)
- SCHOOL SELECTOR (25, 14, N)
- SDMYLIFE (8, 9, W)



DO YOU PLAN TO TAKE A COLLEGE ENTRANCE OR WORKFORCE READINESS EXAM?

There are different tests that may need to be taken depending on the school and/or careerpath you choose.

ACT TESTING

America's most widely accepted college entrance exam, the ACT, is used to assess students' general education development and ability to complete college-level work. Log in to SDMyLife to access Method Test Prep, a free online test preparation to help build math, reading, science, English and ACT test prep skills. MTP also allows you to:

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- Access strategy guides for each test
- Complete practice tests and quizzes
- Read explanations to every question
- Track strengths on each test
- Get valuable test-taking tips

ACCUPLACER

Accurately assesses reading, writing, math and computer skills. Connects students to more than 1,300 institutions nationwide, including community colleges, four-year colleges, technical schools and high schools.

ASVAB

Measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. Also includes a Career Exploration Program with tools to learn more about options in both the civilian and military worlds of work.

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NCRC

ACT's National Career Readiness Certificate is a portable credential that shows achievement and workplace employability skills in applied math, information gathering and other real world skills that are critical for job success.

ACT COMPASS TESTING

ACT Compass is a computer-adaptive college placement test that:

- Evaluates student skill levels in reading, writing, math and English as a second language
- Places students in appropriate courses
- Connects students to resources they need for academic success

SAT TESTING

Globally recognized college admission test that shows colleges what students know and how well they can apply their knowledge in reading, writing and math – subjects taught every day in high school. Most students take the SAT during their junior or senior year of high school. The ACT is the most common admissions test in South Dakota.

BE PREPARED

- Get a good night's sleep before the exam. Set out your admission ticket, identification, acceptable calculator, No. 2 pencils and erasers before going to bed. Set your alarm so you wake up early enough to have time for a good breakfast.
- Know where your test center is located. Print out and review directions in advance. Arrive at the test center early. Leave extra time to get there in case you run into delays.
- Bring something handy to eat during breaks so you can stay focused and sharp.



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YOUR PARENTS OR GRANDPARENTS
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FOR COLLEGE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL,
YOU WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY NEED
FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE.

This can be a huge barrier for many people, but it's important to remember you have many options available!

According to www.FAFSA.com, approximately \$199 billion worth of financial aid is available to college students each year. **THE TERM "FINANCIAL AID" INCLUDES:**



SCHOLARSHIPS

No need to repay – just start learning! Scholarships are available from a wide variety of public and private sources and are primarily awarded based on your achievements or affiliations.



GRANTS

Like scholarships, grants do not need to be repaid – but unlike scholarships, grants are awarded primarily for financial need. Most grants come from the federal government and state governments. Perhaps the most well known grant is the federal Pell Grant. Other grants are awarded to the children of military personnel or civil servants, such as police and firefighters. Contact your counselor to find out how to apply for these grants and more!



STUDENT LOANS

Student loans need to be paid after you graduate from college. In addition to federal and state sources, student loans are available from private sources such as banks and professional organizations. Subsidized student loans do not accrue interest until after you graduate.



SOUTH DAKOTA STATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Learn more and apply online at www.doe.sd.gov/secretary/scholarships!

1 CRITICAL TEACHING NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance to SD high school graduates who attend an eligible higher education institution in South Dakota and promise to work in a critical teaching need occupation in South Dakota for five years after graduating from a participating postsecondary institution.

2 CRITICAL WORKFORCE NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance to students entering high-demand workforce programs at South Dakota's technical institutes.

3 DAKOTA CORPS SCHOLARSHIP

Provides full tuition to SD high school students who promise to enter a critical need occupation in South Dakota following completion of the program of study.

4 DAVIS-BAHCALL SCHOLARSHIP

All-expense paid summer-study program to study physics, plus a variety of other science and engineering topics. Spend two weeks at the Sanford Underground Research Facility, and travel to research laboratories within the United States and possibly in Italy.

5 HAGEN-HARVEY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides \$6,000 over four years for study at a South Dakota postsecondary institution to enrolled members of American Indian Tribes.

6 SD OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides \$5,000 over four years to a qualifying student who attends an eligible higher education institution in South Dakota.

7 US SENATE YOUTH PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

Nationwide youth program that brings high school students to Washington, D.C., for a brief on-site introduction to the functions of the federal government and, in particular, the United States Senate.

WHERE CAN I FIND SCHOLARSHIP INFO?

SDMyLife FINANCIAL AID SELECTOR

The financial aid office at a college or technical institute

Your school counselor

Foundations, religious or community organizations, local businesses, or civic groups

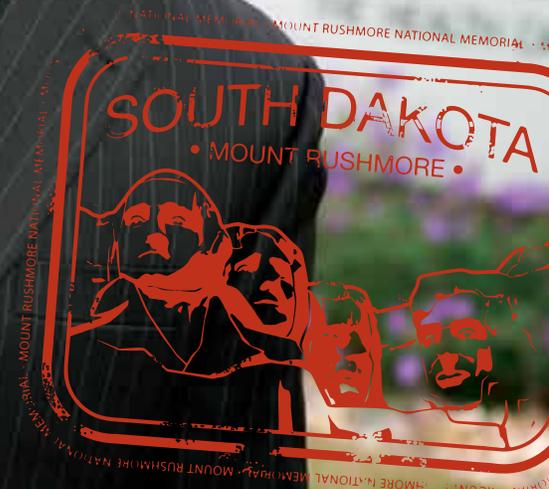
Organizations (including professional associations) related to your field of interest

Ethnicity-based organizations

Your employer or your parents' employers

My Future.

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South Dakota is an amazing state

– and we need the best and brightest as future leaders, who can help shape the future of our state.

In short, we need you!

WHEN YOU CHOOSE TO ENTER THE WORK FORCE, WE WANT YOU TO DO IT RIGHT HERE AT HOME.

SDMyLife provides real facts and statistics about what a future in South Dakota has in store for you. Learn about high-demand, high-skill, high-wage careers in South Dakota. Use resources to learn about the cost of your dream lifestyle. Even create a resume for future employers!

The options in South Dakota are endless. There are many careers right in your backyard that have a large number of benefits. Check out SDMyLife.com to learn about South Dakota career outlook and salaries.



PAUSE BEFORE YOU POST

All those selfies on Facebook and Instagram could come back to haunt you!

Manage your privacy settings so your posts are seen only by those you want to see them. Better yet, do not post anything you wouldn't want an employer to see. If friends post photos that show you in an unfavorable light, remove or untag the photos. Also, delete any friends' comments that may reflect poorly on you.

Of more than 2,300 hiring managers surveyed by CareerBuilder.com in 2012:

37% reported they screened potential employees through social networking sites

29% found things that encouraged them to hire the candidate

65% do it to see if the job seeker presents himself or herself professionally

34% discovered things that discouraged them from hiring the candidate

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SDMyLife Career Clusters Word Search

- ADMINISTRATION
- AGRICULTURE
- ARCHITECTURE
- ARTS
- AV TECHNOLOGY
- BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
- CAREER CLUSTERS
- CAREER PATHWAY
- COMMUNICATIONS
- CONSTRUCTION
- DISTRIBUTION
- EDUCATION
- ENGINEERING
- FINANCE
- FOOD
- GOVERNMENT
- HEALTH SCIENCE
- HOSPITALITY
- HUMAN SERVICES
- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- LAW
- LOGISTICS
- MANUFACTURING
- MARKETING
- MATH
- MY DREAM
- MY FUTURE
- MY PLAN
- NATURAL RESOURCES
- PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
- PUBLIC SAFETY
- SCIENCE
- SDMYLIFE
- SECURITY
- TECHNOLOGY
- TOURISM
- TRAINING
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WHEN CONSIDERING
YOUR CAREER,
IT'S IMPORTANT TO THINK ABOUT DEMAND
FOR YOUR CHOSEN FIELD.

- Will you be able to find a job easily in your field after graduation?
- What are the long-term job stability prospects for your chosen field?

DO THE LEGWORK

The best way to find out is through research. Talk to people in our chosen field. Talk to career counselors at your high school or prospective college. Conduct online searches to find information. As with anything in life, it's good to know what you're getting into!

SOME OF THE FASTEST-GROWING OCCUPATIONS THROUGH 2022 INCLUDE:

- Interpreters and Translators
- Geological and Petroleum Technicians
- Diagnostic Medical Sonographers
- Welders
- Marketing Specialists
- Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators
- Industrial Machinery Mechanics
- Information Security Analysts
- Convention and Event Planners
- Physician Assistants
- Medical Equipment Repairers
- Dental Hygienists
- Software Application Developers
- Paralegals
- Machinists
- Computer Systems Analysts
- Civil Engineers
- Environmental Engineers
- Medical Laboratory Technicians
- Personal Financial Advisors
- Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors
- Transportation Inspectors
- Heating, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Specialists
- Surveying and Mapping Technicians
- Nuclear Medicine Technologists
- Plumbers, Pipefitters and Steamfitters
- Web Developers



WHY WAIT UNTIL AFTER YOU
GRADUATE
TO START NETWORKING
IN YOUR CHOSEN FIELD?

DO YOURSELF A FAVOR and show future employers you're serious and ready to make a difference by receiving industry certifications right now.

Whether you're graduating from high school or college, a technical or professional industry certification ensures you are learning topics relevant to today's workforce and helps increase your college and career readiness skills.

From computer maintenance and automotive repair to nursing, graphic arts, food service and more, gaining an industry certification sets you apart. It lets both future employers and prospective schools know that you are a person who is thinking ahead, can set and achieve goals, and is willing to bring initiative and commitment to the table. They can also help you gain employment in a shorter time, at a lower cost.

Certifications gained in high school might even count toward college credit!



POPULAR CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

SERVICES

- American Sign Language
- Animal Care
- Childcare
- Childcare Training
- Corrections
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Assistant
- Event Planner
- Floral Design
- Interior Designer
- Landscape Development
- Ornamental Horticulture
- Private Detective/Investigator
- Security Guard
- Teaching Assistant
- Travel Agent
- Wedding Planner

TRADE

- Appliance Repair
- Auto Collision Repair
- Auto Mechanic
- Aviation Mechanic
- Carpentry
- Commercial Driver's License (CDL)
- Drafting
- Electrical
- Electronics
- Heating and Cooling (HVAC)
- Home Inspection
- Land Surveying
- Plumbing
- Welding

TECHNOLOGY

- Adobe Certifications
- Cisco® Certifications
- CompTIA™ Certifications
- Graphic Design
- Microsoft Certifications
- Microsoft Office Specialist
- Networking
- Oracle Certifications
- Programming
- VMware Certifications
- Web Database Developer
- Web Development

HEALTH

- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)
- Dental Assistant
- Electrocardiographic (EKG) Technician
- Emergency 911 Dispatcher
- Fitness Instructor
- Food and Nutrition
- Home Healthcare
- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- Massage Therapist
- Medical Administrative Assistant
- Medical Billing
- Medical Coding and Billing
- Medical Transcription Certificate
- Occupational Therapy Assistant
- Personal Trainer
- Pharmacy Technician
- Phlebotomy
- Physical Therapy Assistant
- Radiologic Technologist
- Surgical Technology
- Ultrasound Technician
- Veterinary Technician

BUSINESS

- Cost Estimator
- Paralegal and Legal Assistants
- Project Management (PMP)
- Small Business Bookkeeping
- Tax Preparer



MYTHS & FACTS ABOUT MAJOR & CAREER CHOICE

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| ① | MYTH | Something is wrong with me if I don't know what I want to do. |
| | FACT | Many students don't have a clear idea of what they want to major in or do for a career. This is normal. With research and support, you can make decisions that are right for you. |
| ② | MYTH | There is only ONE career for me. |
| | FACT | The combination of elements that determine career satisfaction are found in many different careers. For example, if you like helping people in an artistic way, you may be happy as a dance therapist or a high school art teacher. |
| ③ | MYTH | If I choose a major or a career, I'll be stuck with it forever. |
| | FACT | Most majors prepare you for a variety of careers. When you combine the skills you'll learn in your major with others you'll gain from full-time work, internships and other activities, you'll have the ability to move in a variety of directions. Most people have multiple careers and jobs during their work lives. |
| ④ | MYTH | If I make the wrong choice, I'm a failure. |
| | FACT | You only fail when you do not adapt. If you learn a major or career choice is not right for you, change it and persevere. |
| ⑤ | MYTH | Happiness is impossible without the perfect career. |
| | FACT | A career can be a major source of satisfaction in life, but it is not everything. Many happy and successful people wouldn't say their career is "perfect." The key is finding a career that aligns with your interests and talents and allows you a lifestyle that matches your values. |

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MYTH

There is a test or an expert that can tell me what to do with the rest of my life.

FACT

Only you can make the decision of what's best for yourself. There are people and resources you can use for support, but in the end you make your own decisions.

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MYTH

I just need a little more information before I can make a decision.

FACT

Although it's important to make a well-informed decision, sometimes people are paralyzed because they think that no matter how much information they have gathered, it's not enough. They indefinitely put off making a decision. Don't let this happen to you. Collect enough information about your major or career choice. But realize that even after you make a decision, you will still be able to collect more information and evaluate whether it was the right one.

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MYTH

Once I have a course of study/major, I must stick with it.

FACT

Many college students change their course of study/major at some point. Do research early and try out career options with activities like job shadowing or service learning to learn as much as possible before you leave high school.

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MYTH

My career path will remain fairly stable throughout my adult life

FACT

Nearly half of all graduates change their career plans after they finish college, and the average person changes careers nearly 8 times in his/her lifetime.



Your college course of study/major does not train you for a single, specific job!

Instead, it seeks to develop your aptitude and abilities so that you can use them in the broadest variety of careers. That is why it is important to choose a course of study/major that allows your individual talents to flourish.

Find a course of study/major that fits YOU, rather than trying to fit yourself into a course of study/major. Postsecondary education is not so much a determinant of what you want to BE as much as what you are prepared to BECOME.

SOURCES: College is Only the Beginning, edited by John N. Gardner and A Jerome Jewler; What Color is Your Parachute, by Richard Nelson Bolles; What Can I Do With a Major In...? by Lawrence R Malnig; Indiana University Bloomington.



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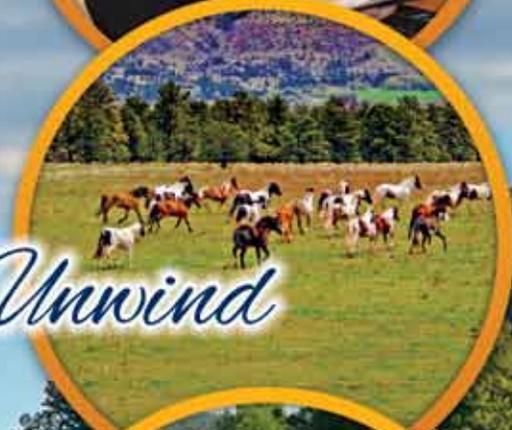
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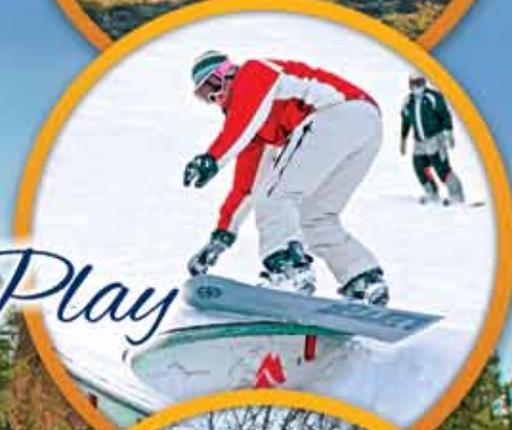
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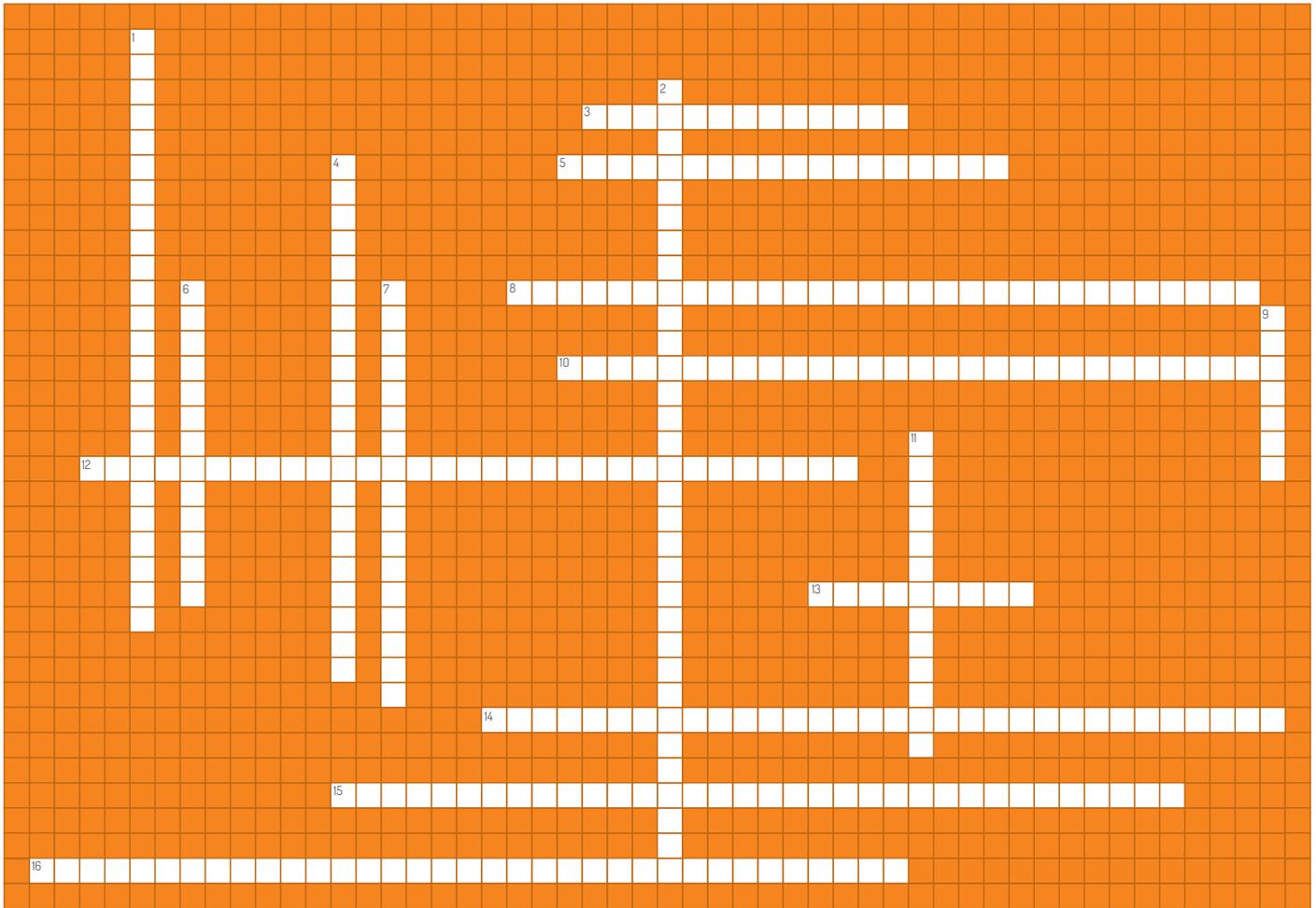
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Career Cluster Crossword



ACROSS

- 3 This cluster prepares student for planning, managing, and performing the processing of materials into final products.
- 5 This cluster prepares individuals for employment in careers that work with food/beverage services, lodging, travel and tourism, recreation, amusement and attractions.
- 8 Professionals in this cluster plan and execute government functions at local, state, and federal levels.
- 10 Creative students who see themselves designing, producing, exhibiting, performing, writing, and publishing multimedia content are fit for a career in this cluster.
- 12 This cluster prepares learners for careers in the planning, implementation, production, management, processing and marketing of agricultural commodities and services.
- 13 This cluster is ideal for the creative individuals who still get a thrill out of giving a sales pitch. Creativity paired with solid people skills are essential for this cluster.
- 14 Workers in this career cluster provide solutions to technical problems across many industries. If you think creatively, wonder how to make things better and can apply what you've learned in math and science classes to solve real-world problems, a career in this cluster may be for you.
- 15 This career cluster prepares students for careers in planning, managing, and providing legal services including homeland security, public safety, and protective services.
- 16 Professionals in this cluster are involved in the planning, management, and movement of people, materials, and products by road, air, rail and water.

DOWN

- 1 Workers in this cluster design, plan, manage, build and maintain the built environment.
- 2 Careers in this cluster encompass planning, organizing, directing and evaluating business functions that are essential to efficient and productive business operations.
- 4 If you are skilled in keeping up with the constantly advancing technology industry, this cluster may have the right career for you.
- 6 This career cluster orients students with careers that promote health, wellness, and diagnosis as well as treat injuries and diseases.
- 7 This career cluster is a diverse cluster which prepares learners for careers in planning, managing, and providing education and other related learning support services.
- 9 This cluster prepares you for careers in investment planning, banking, insurance and business financial management.
- 11 This cluster includes careers that improve quality of life and promotes safe, healthy communities. Workers in this cluster better our lives by tending to our psychological, social, and physical needs.

ANSWERS
ACROSS: 3) Manufacturing 5) Hospitality/Tourism 8) Government/Public Administration 10) Arts & Technology/Communication 12) Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources 13) Marketing 14) Science/Technology/Engineering/Math 15) Law/Public Safety/Corrections/Security 16) Transportation/Distribution/Logistics
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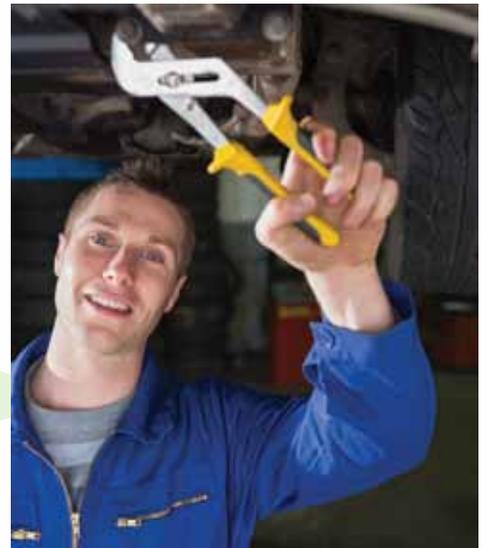
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