

CAREER INFORMATION & OPTIONS

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Year 13

This page is the area where all writing, research, ideas, and pondering dealing with college/tech school and beyond will be shared. Whether you plan on attending college, a 2 yr program, or plan to pursue other avenues this page will help you plan your way.

What does your year 13 look like? How does that year impact or change your future? All September we will be focusing on answering these questions. Of course, we will look at how to write a college entrance essay. In fact, we will try our hand at several topics. If you already know the prompts for your chosen universities, than this exercise will be all the better. However, we will look beyond college to "real life." In order to get where YOU want to be, you have to have a plan.

So we will research college course requirements, internships, potential jobs, cost of living in several areas of Washington, and recertification. It is going to be a fun semester!

Application Essays

Tips for College Admission Essays

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Local College Essay Topics

College Links

National Center of Educational Statistics
collecting data related to education

Hot links to research LIFE:

Americas Career Infonet career exploration,
jobs, internships

UW Harry Bridges

Washington Career Bridge

Occupational Outlook Handbook. What the
future looks like for career opportunities

Idealist.org job, internship, volunteer
opportunities

Indeed.com job finder website

Bureau of Labor Statistics

Vocational Information Center vocational &
tech careers

Learning For Life

Career One Stop

Career Voyages

Personality test

Myers-Briggs self assessment

WOIS, see me for site code

Local College Essay Topics

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Life Opportunities

Americorps

City Year

Student Conservation Association Conservation
and environmental stewardship in local and
national parks. Offer HS programs, college
programs, gap year and adult programs

College with a difference

Castle Rock Institute Study Humanities and
Outdoor Experience

Youth Build Low income young people learning
construction skills to build low income housing

Apprenticeship Programs

Exploration beyond borders

[Transitions Abroad](#) Jobs around the world and

travel tips

[Coolworks](#) Jobs in unique and fun places

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**The most current, accurate and up-to-date resource
for careers in the State of Washington.**

WOIS/The Career Information System

<http://www.wois.org>

Site Key: TYX943

Electronic Portfolio

Electronic Portfolio is a convenient method of storing, organizing and other career related documents. It was designed with career development, training, career and educational goals in mind to store, retrieve and update information. The WOIS Electronic Portfolio is a place for

- collection of evidence
- resumes and cover letters
- job and employment
- work and community experience
- educational plans
- career research

Must People say about WOIS

Information is the key to success in the 21st century. WOIS is a valuable resource for career information. It is a place where you can find the most current, accurate and up-to-date information for careers in the State of Washington. WOIS is a place where you can find the most current, accurate and up-to-date information for careers in the State of Washington. WOIS is a place where you can find the most current, accurate and up-to-date information for careers in the State of Washington.

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WOIS/The Career Information System

Washington's Premier Resource for Career Information

WOIS Career Information

WOIS/The Career Information System has been providing career resources for schools, agencies and businesses in Washington State for 30 years.

WOIS is a complete system of occupations, educational training programs and postsecondary schools. The system is designed to be easy to navigate and user friendly. Users of the WOIS system can find all the information they need about careers and the training required to enter those careers in one reliable source.

WOIS information is updated annually, making it the most current information available.

The WOIS System includes:

- More than 520 occupation descriptions covering 1,100 careers. Organized alphabetically, by clusters and by career paths
- 400+ educational program descriptions. Organized alphabetically, by clusters and by career paths
- 300+ postsecondary school descriptions
- Military occupation descriptions
- Four career assessment tools
 - Career Interest Areas Activity
 - Interest Profiler
 - Work Importance Locator
 - Skills Assessment
- Washington School Search and comparison
- Crosswalk to other popular assessment tools and occupation classification resources
- National College Search
- National Scholarship Search
- Parent Resources
- Much More!

WOIS Internet

WOIS is web-based and can be accessed from anywhere that has Internet capabilities.

- Along with all the information WOIS offers, the accessibility via the Internet also provides links to:
- Professional associations linked to the occupation descriptions
 - College web sites linked to school descriptions
 - All the most popular financial aid resources
 - College searches
 - Actual job openings
 - Licensing agencies linked to the occupation descriptions
 - 300+ Career Videos
 - Labor Market information through Workforce Explorer

Why Use WOIS Career Information?

- Nearly 1,000 sites in Washington have chosen WOIS as their career and educational planning resource because:
- WOIS contains both Washington-specific and national information about wages and outlook for occupations
 - WOIS has its own research staff
 - WOIS is easy to use
 - WOIS listens to the needs of our users and makes changes according to those needs
 - WOIS provides on-site and customized training
 - WOIS staff is available to research special information at the request of users

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Electronic Portfolio

The WOIS ELECTRONIC PORTFOLIO is a place for people to store, retrieve and update information gathered during career and educational exploration. It was designed with focus groups consisting of Washington career specialists, counselors and other career professionals.

- The portfolio is a convenient method of storing
- career research
 - educational plans
 - assessment records
 - work and community experience
 - school involvement
 - resumes and cover letters
 - collection of evidence.

What People say about WOIS Career Information

"WOIS is a model in customer responsiveness...community college counselor"

"Overall, I found the program very helpful and easy to use. It has helped me to realize what I want to study, what college I would like to attend and what to expect when I start my career. I am happy to have found the job of my dreams and to have the resources of WOIS at my fingertips."

—student

Although we have access to other programs, WOIS remains the most widely used at our facility. It simply contains too much valuable information to use any other." —career center specialist.

How do I find my CAREER OPTIONS?

- Take a career Interest Inventory
 - ✓ <http://checkoutacollege.com/ExploreCareers/InterestSurvey.aspx>
 - ✓ <http://www.mynextmove.org>
 - ✓ <http://www.careerbridge.wa.gov>
- Interview friends, family, acquaintances
 - ✓ How did they choose this field?
 - ✓ What do they like about their job? Would they do it again?
 - ✓ Where did they go to school? Get training?
 - ✓ What is the future of their career?
- Job Shadow for a day