Postsecondary Planning Activity

For this activity, you will use RUReady.ND.gov to research careers and postsecondary programs. Research will include salary ranges, labor market demand, educational requirements, appropriate programs/majors and postsecondary institutions for the career and tuition costs.

There are three parts to this activity. You will:


Part 2: Research the career and related postsecondary education options and information.

Part 3: Find a postsecondary institution that offers an appropriate degree or certification for the career.

Part 1: Choose a Career Cluster and Career:

1. Sign in to RUReady.ND.gov; click the Career Planning tab.
2. Click the Explore Careers section. Under Browse Career Clusters, choose a Career Cluster; then click Add to Portfolio in the menu on the left side.
3. Now click the name of the career that you are researching and click Add to Portfolio in the menu on the left side. It is best to choose a career with the Full Profile with Insider Info.
4. Write your chosen Career Cluster and Career below:

   Career Cluster: ____________________________
   Career: ____________________________

5. Click on Is This for You? and write the top two suggested Interests and Work Values below:

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If you have completed the Interest Profiler and Work Values Sorter assessments, consider how your results compare to the Interests and Work Values generally associated with this career.

Part 2: Money & Outlook

Click on the Money and Outlook tab to complete the information below:

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Part 2 (continued): Postsecondary Education Options

- Click the **What to Learn** tab in the career profile you are researching.
- Read all of the sections of **What to Learn** to answer the questions below. Mark **Yes or No**, as appropriate and fill in all other blanks.

1. What educational programs/majors would be beneficial in preparing you for this career? Write two below:

   __________________________________________________________
   __________________________________________________________

2. Decide which educational program/major you prefer (in the **Beyond High School** section). Click on your preferred program and read the **Program Description**. Save the program to **Your Portfolio**.

3. Write the name of the program below:

   __________________________________________________________

4. Is your selected career available as a certificate program?  Yes ☐  No ☐

5. Is your selected career available as an associate degree?  Yes ☐  No ☐

6. Is your selected career available as a bachelor’s degree?  Yes ☐  No ☐

7. Is your selected career available as a doctorate degree?  Yes ☐  No ☐

8. Does your selected career require a license or registration?  Yes ☐  No ☐
   If Yes, does the license require a test?  Yes ☐  No ☐

Part 3: Find a Postsecondary School That Offers an Appropriate Program for Your Career Goal

- You have a career goal and you’ve researched the salaries and the required postsecondary education options. Now you’re ready to find a postsecondary school that aligns to your career goal.

1. Find two schools offering your selected program/major by clicking **Schools Offering This Program** in the program profile.
   a. Choose a **degree type** and the **state** you’d like to search in.
   b. Use the school list to fill in the blanks below:

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