## **Career Advising** HOW TO INCORPORATE CAREER CONVERSATIONS WITH YOUR STUDENTS

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# Agenda

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### Introduction to Career Advising Self Exploration Major to Career Tough Conversations Resources

### **SESSION OBJECTIVES**

**RECOGNIZE THE IMPACT OF THE ADVISOR-ADVISEE RELATIONSHIP WITH UNDECLARED STUDENTS** 

**UNDERSTAND THE CHALLENGES UNDECLARED STUDENTS FACE** 

**BE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT AT LEAST ONE ADVISING TECHNIQUE TO HELP UNDECLARED STUDENTS** 

**NAVIGATE HOW TO CONNECT STUDENTS TO RESOURCES** 



## Share Your Thoughts

### WHAT IS THE FIRST WORD THAT **COMES TO MIND WHEN ADVISING UNDECLARED STUDENTS**

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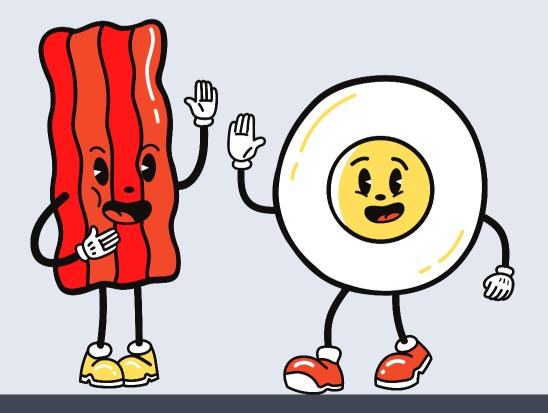
### **ACADEMIC ADVISING**

Academic advising is a developmental process which assists students in the clarification of their life/career goals and in the development of educational plans for the realization of these goals. It is a decision-making process by which students realize their maximum educational potential through communication and information exchanges with an advisor; it is ongoing, multifaceted, and the responsibility of both student and advisor. The advisor serves as a facilitator of communication, a coordinator of learning experiences through course and academic progress review, and an agent of referral to other campus agencies as necessary. -Winston, Jr. R. B

Virginia Gordon (2006) describes it as a dynamic, interactive process that "helps students understand how their personal interests, abilities, and values might predict success in the academic and career fields they are considering and how to form their academic and career goals accordingly" (p.12). It is different from the more psychologically intense career counseling that seeks to assist students with the complex career-related personal concerns. (Gordon, 2006).

## **CAREER ADVISING**

## **One of these** things is not like the other...



### SIMILIARITIES

and referring

## DIFFERENCES

**Development Theories** 

Grounded in student development and student learning theories, listening, reflecting, communicating, challenging, supporting, caring,

Unique Career Resources and knowledge, Possible ongoing relationship building, Student

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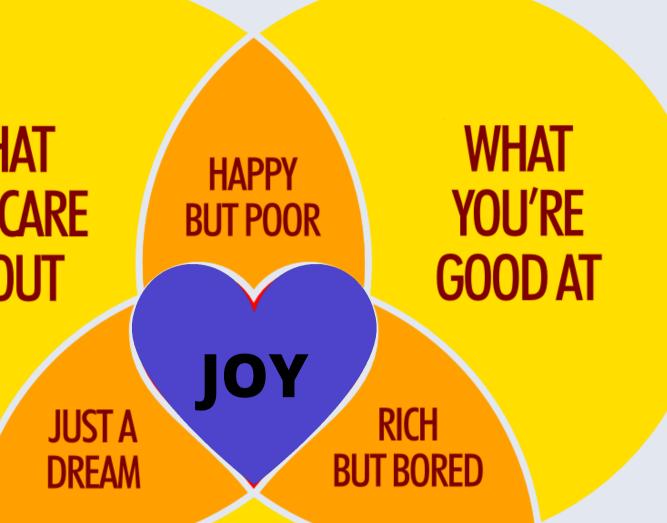


## Introduction **CAREER ADVISING 101**

Career Advising is an important element in the growth and exploration of students and adults. It is known to help aid in retention and impact a students ability to successfully persist to graduation.

It requires an advisor to help the student better understand themselves, their options and how to act and is a life long process.

### WHAT **YOU CARE ABOUT**



### WHAT PAYS WELL

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### MYTH VS. REALITY

## Your Major Does Not Determine the Rest of Your Life. You Do.

THE SELECTION OF A MAJOR DOES NOT LOCK THEM INTO ONE CAREER, ONE SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO SEE IT AS UNLOCKING A NUMBER OF CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

## Career Planning A Life-Long Process



<u>Step 1</u> Who am I? What are my interests, skills, values and personality style?

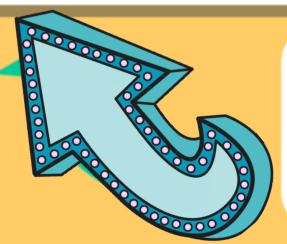
<u>Step 3</u>

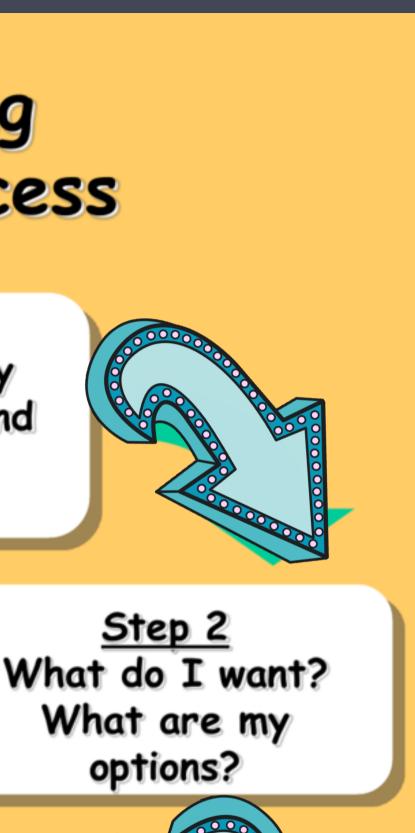
How do I get there?

What am I willing to

do?

<u>Step 4</u> What is my plan to get to my goal?







# **STEP ONE: SELF EXPLORATION**

- INTERESTS/PASSIONS
- VALUES
- ABILITIES/STRENGTHS
- SKILLS
  (TRANSFERABLE)



### Interests: O-Net: MyNextMove HollandCode

### Values: <u>https://personalvalu.es/</u> <u>https://www.valuescentre.com</u>

### Assessments

<u>CareerOneStop.Org</u> Strong Interest Inventory, Myers Briggs Type Indicator Assessmen, CliftonStrengths, etc.

> Occupational Outlook Handbook: https://www.bls.gov/ooh/

## **STEP TWO: RESEARCH & EXPLORE CAREERS AND MAJORS**

• WHAT DO WE OFFER? • WHAT IS REALISTIC? • WHAT DOES THAT MAJOR LEAD TO (CAREER **OPPORTUNITIES)?** • WHAT DOES THAT **CAREER LOOK LIKE?** DEVELOP ACTION PLAN

**Candid Career Career Explorer** Vault What Can I Do With A Major In **Occupational Outlook** Handbook O\*Net **Field Research** Shadowing Informational Internviews

## **STEP THREE: EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**



FIELD

 TAKE A CLASS RELATED TO THAT SUBJECT • JOIN A CLUB OR VOLUNTEER • SHADOW SOMEONE IN THE • INFORMATIONAL INTERVIEW • INTENSHIP OR JOB • NETWORK & PROF PROFILE • DEVELOP A SKILL SET

## **STEP FOUR: BUILD YOUR PROFESSIONAL BRAND & YOUR PLAN**

**PREPARE DOCUMENTS** 

**PRACTICE YOUR SKILLS** 

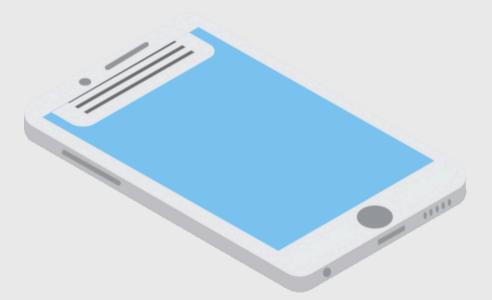
HAVE A PRESENCE ONLINE

**WORK ON PROFESSIONALISM** 

**BEGIN PLANNING YOUR NEXT** MOVE

## The 3 I's **HOW TO START HARD CONVERSATIONS**





Inform



### Integrate

## REFRAMING

### WHAT DO YOU WANT **TO STUDY?**



As a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

WHAT MAJOR ARE YOU **CONSIDERING?** 



What would you do if you couldn't fail?





# WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE?

### If you never had to work at all, how would you spend your time?

## What if they just don't know?

# ACKNOWLEDGE & NORMALIZE

- Its Ok to not know
- Find out what they know, like, dislike
- Empower them to explore themselves

## EDUCATE

- Share stories that that show career
   paths are not linear
- What do they know? Dispell myths.
- Understanding what they don't and do like
- How to search/where to look?

## WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS

Refer to Career Services

• Share website resources

 Connect them to departments

# Major 2 Gareer

## YOU ARE MORE THAN YOUR MAJOR

## WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN

Most majors and fields have transferable skills and lead to many different possible career opportunities.

### O\*NET

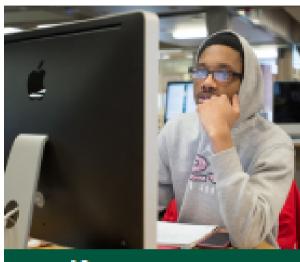
Exploring Careers, Assessments, World of Work information

### **MINORS AND EXPERIENCE CAN IMPACT YOUR PATH** Hobbies, Side Hustles, Leadership Experiences, Jobs, Volunteerism, etc. Can all lead

to career paths.



## **CAREER EXPLORATION PATH**



1. Self Assess

Identify and understand your personal likes and dislikes. Be honest and keep an open mind. Understanding your strengths, interests, and transferable skills are key!

### ONLINE RESOURCES



Career Services offers assessments and virtual resources



Take O'Net's My Next Move assessment



2. Research Careers/ **Majors of Interest and Develop an Action Plan** 

Keep an open mind to careers that might not be an exact fit but are similar. Learn more about how majors relate to careers and remember not all paths are linear. Begin to plan your next steps.

### ONLINE RESOURCES



Explore What You Can Do With A Major In ....



Learn more about careers from the Occupational Outlook Handbook



Learning Opportunities

Enroll in a class related to the area you are interested in. Join a club. Talk to others in the field. Informational interviews can help you better understand what the day-to-day looks like in a career.

### ONLINE RESOURCES



Handshake: Search and apply to on- and off-campus jobs and internships



MyBrockport: Join one of our 120+ student groups or start your own



Student Activities: See numerous ways one can get involved on campus





### 4. Build Your **Professional Brand**

Prepare your documents and practice your why your sales pitch. Be sure to utilize your resources to practice and be confident. Career Services can help you!

### ONLINE RESOURCE



Resumes, cover letters and interview prep.

### CAREER SERVICES CONTACT INFORMATION

Office: Daily Hall (2nd floor) Phone: (585) 395-2159 Email: career@brockport.edu

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# Share one take away from todays presentation you will use in the future?

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# Thank you

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