



CONSTRUCTING CAREER PATHS

The 3 W's of Constructing Career Paths:

- What do you want to do?
- Why do you want to do that?
- W(how) do you achieve it?

A top-down view of a wooden desk. On the right side, there is a silver laptop with a black keyboard. In the center, a pair of black-rimmed glasses lies flat. Below the glasses is a white coffee cup with a yellow handle, filled with dark coffee. In the top right corner, there is a small green succulent plant in a dark pot. The background is a dark wood-grain surface.

**WHAT DO
YOU WANT
TO DO?**

A few things to ask yourself....

- What are your interests?
- What skills do you already have?
- What are your values?

Source: careeronestop.org

Tips On Figuring Out What You Want To Do:

- Look at your resume and experiences thus far.
- Career Counselors
- Volunteer
- Talk to professionals.

WHY DO YOU
WANT TO DO
THAT?



W(HOW) DO YOU ACHIEVE IT ?

Tips on How to Achieve It:

- Get organized and plan ahead.
- Do something everyday that brings you closer to that goal.
- Find a mentor.
- Go to a constructing career paths workshop (or other workshops).

**ACTIVITY:
IDEALIZING RESUMES
&
GOAL EVALUATION**

Activity: Idealizing Resumes

- Break into groups of 2 or 3 and work together.
- First, fill out the ideal resume portion with the job description or resume of the person in the ideal job you'd like to have.
- Second, fill out the current resume portion with your current qualifications.
- Discuss with your group about the necessary steps/skills you need to reach your ideal resume.

Goal: Visualize steps needed to reach your dream career.

Activity: Goal Evaluation

- List the skills and goals you and your group determined from the idealizing resumes activity in the first column and proceed to fill the adjoining rows.
- Once complete, discuss your input with your group.

Goal: Learn how to be practical in making a goal and developing a plan to accomplish it.



WHAT'D YOU LEARN ?

What's next?

- Start early and start planning.
- Network.
- Improve your web-based presence.



**THANK YOU
& GOOD LUCK!**

(NOW DO YOUR SURVEYS).

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