

What Will You Major In?

9 Ways to Explore Majors & Careers

One CAREER & INTERNSHIP SERVICES

Career Services (LU 110, <http://web.csp.edu/careerservices/>)

- This office can help you explore majors and careers.
- Identify your interest, skills, personality style, and values through a course or workshop.
- Check out hundreds of resources that describe majors and careers.
- Take career assessment inventories (e.g., Myers-Briggs Type Indicator or the Career Liffoff Interest Inventory.)
- Learn about internships that are available right now! Internships allow you to explore career ideas before and after you choose a major.

Two ACADEMIC ADVISING

- Meet with your academic advisor often to discuss your academic and career plans.
- Seek out an advisor in the department with a major that interests you.
- Formalize your relationship by filling out the proper forms in the Academic Advising office.

Three ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

Talk directly with contacts at departments that interest you. Find out what alumni *do* with their degrees.

Ways to research a major include:

- Take classes that simply sound *interesting* to you.
- Talk with department advisors.
- Participate in research projects available through various departments.

Four OCCUPATIONAL RESEARCH

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- Find out about informational interviews and start talking directly with people working in different occupations.
- Access VAULT, career planning books, the Internet, and attend career related workshops.



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Five EMPLOYMENT

Part-time work can be a great way to gain valuable experience.

- Check with Financial Aid for student employment and work-study opportunities.
- Register on College Central Network, through the Career Services website, to learn about full- and part-time employment opportunities.

Six COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Explore options and gain valuable, marketable skills while volunteering in the community.

Seven Student Activities

- Develop your leadership skills through involvement in student organizations. For example, Student Government, FISH, or the Concordia Mission Society.
- Professional groups and associations offer a great way to begin networking with professionals in your field. Do some investigating because there are usually discounted student rates for membership.

Eight Travel and Study Abroad

- Take advantage of academic programs at Concordia that offer opportunities to travel abroad.
- Consider studying at one of the other institutions in the Concordia University system.

Nine Socialize and Network

- Network with other students to learn about great opportunities on- and off-campus.
- Network with professors, student group leaders, and student services staff.

