



Exploration

What other resources can I
use to decide on a major?



The Student Will:

- Explore more about majors of their interest.
- Utilize online resources that will help them learn how majors and careers can relate.
- Learn more about campus organizations and activities which can help with major selection and career focus.

WCU Academic Programs

- Have you looked at the academic programs and majors that are offered at West Chester University?
- On a separate piece of paper, list 5 majors that interest you.
- Use this resource to help you find a list of West Chester University majors:

<http://www.wcupa.edu/academics/underprogram.asp>

(To return to this page, from the link, use the back arrow.)

Exploring Your Top 5 Majors

- Which major will you select for this exercise? Pick one from your list.
- Click [here](#) to answer questions.
- It is recommended that you print this worksheet.
- From the worksheet, you can hit the back button to return to this page.
- Use this resource to help you answer your questions:
<http://www.wcupa.edu/information/official.documents/undergrad.catalog/>
(To return to this page, from the link, use the back arrow.)
- Repeat this exercise for each of your Top 5 majors.

REMEMBER:

At any time you can eliminate one of your majors from the list of Top 5 if it no longer meets your dreams, interests, abilities, or values.

What Can I Do With This Major?

- Many times students are interested in a major, but question what they can do with it when they graduate.
- Use your Top 5 Majors List to find out what career areas are related to your majors of interest. Click [here](#) to learn more. (This is a link to a general list of majors; not all majors will apply for West Chester University.)
- List careers that might interest you in each major.

What Careers Have You Found?

- At this point, it might be a good idea to rank order your list of favorite careers/majors.
- Using your list of *careers*, pick #1 and follow this exercise. Repeat with the other careers you have listed.
- It can be helpful to take note of certain information relating to each career you are considering. Click [here](#) to answer questions.
- It is recommended that you print the linked worksheet.
- From the worksheet, you can hit the back button to return to this page.
- Use this resource to help answer your questions:
<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>

(To return to this page, from the link, use the back arrow.)

Get Involved Beyond Your Major

- Did you know that there are many academic and professional organizations on campus? Getting involved with an organization related to your interests can help you learn more about careers in a specific field.
- Click [here](#) to answer questions relating to on-campus organizations and activities.
- It is recommended that you print the linked worksheet.
- From the worksheet, you can hit the back button to return to this page.

Use these two resources to help answer your questions:

[West Chester University Student Organizations](#)

[West Chester University Volunteer Organizations](#)

(To return to this page, from the link, use the back arrow.)

Wrapping It Up

- Now you should have a list of several majors and careers.
- These majors should match your interests, dreams, abilities, and values.
- Schedule a meeting with your academic advisor to share your findings. Your advisor can help you discover the requirements to getting into a major and the courses you will need to take.
- To find out who your advisor is, log in to your MyWCU. Your advisor name and phone number will be listed on the left side of the screen.
- We encourage you to continue on to the next step in the process. Please click [here](#), for more help on determining a major.

