



## Career Exploration with RUReady.ND.gov

# CAREER ASSESSMENT – CAREER KEY

### What do I want to do? What are my goals?

1. Sign in to your RUReady.ND.gov account:

**Accessing RUReady.ND.gov**

**1** Go to your school’s PowerSchool Sign In to access RUReady.ND.gov.  
Sign in to your PowerSchool account.

**2** From the PowerSchool main screen, click on the Applications icon to access your ND Education Portal.

**3** Click on the ND Education Portal Link

**4** Click on the RUReady ‘badge’ on the ND Education Portal to access your account.

**!** If you are unable to sign in or are experiencing sign in issues, please contact your school for assistance. For security reasons, PowerSchool is unable to assist with sign in, password, or other accessibility-related issues.

2. Click the **CAREER PLANNING** tab.
3. Click on **Learn About Yourself**.
4. Click on **The Career Key**.
5. Click **Get Started**.
6. **Complete the checklists**.
7. Read through your results. What are your **top two Interest areas?** (circle your top two below)

Realistic	Investigative	Artistic	Social	Enterprising	Conventional
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8. Click **View Careers** on the bottom of the results.

9. Spend some time researching matching careers by choosing one of the following search tools:
- Under the **Careers** heading click a career to see its profile.
  - Choose the **Education Level** heading to view careers at certain education levels.
  - You can also sort your list by **State Average Annual Earnings** (click twice so the highest paid positions are at the top of your list).
10. From your list, what are four careers that interest you now?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

## Career Exploration

**Directions:** Choose one career from your list above and answer the following questions.

**What career are you researching?** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Click on that career in the list. Watch the **career video** (if available) then read about **What They Do**.
- a. What career cluster/career pathway is this career a part of?
- Cluster: \_\_\_\_\_ Pathway: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. List **three** of the typical **tasks/responsibilities** this career requires you to do.
1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. List **three** of the **Working Conditions and Physical Demands**.
1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. What are the **working hours**? Are there any **travel requirements**?
- Working Hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Travel Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Look at the **Specialty or Similar Careers** list. List **two** or more other careers that are **similar** or **related** to the career you selected.
1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

2. Click on the **Is This For You** tab on the right. Review the **Interests, Work Values, and Aptitudes** for this career.

3. Circle the **Interest** areas that are listed for **this career**:

<b>Realistic</b>	<b>Investigative</b>	<b>Artistic</b>	<b>Social</b>	<b>Enterprising</b>	<b>Conventional</b>
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a. Which two **Interest** areas are **YOUR** top interest areas? (circled in #7 at the bottom of page one)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

b. Are your **Interest** areas the same or different?  Same  Different

c. List two **Work Values** for the career you are researching:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

d. List two **Aptitudes** for the career you are researching:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

4. Click on the **What To Learn** tab.

a. Under **High School**, what Cluster and Pathway should you look at to learn more about the courses that are recommended in high school?

Cluster: \_\_\_\_\_ Pathway: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Under **Beyond High School** are there any programs listed that you should consider if you're interested in this career?

Program(s) listed: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Scroll down to **Education Level**. Is an education level beyond high school required?  YES  NO  
**If yes**, what kind of degree is required and how many years will it take to complete? (Scroll down to the bottom of the page to see if there are any Extra Requirements.)

Degree \_\_\_\_\_ How many years to complete? \_\_\_\_\_

Extra Requirements \_\_\_\_\_

d. Read **Insider Info** for more information about this career (if available). List 2 things you learned:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Click on the **Money & Outlook** tab.

a. How much money can you earn in this career in North Dakota? Nationally?

1. **North Dakota Average Annual Wage:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(If North Dakota is not listed, answer with N/A.)

2. **National Average Annual Wage:** \_\_\_\_\_

3. What is the **National Employment and Outlook** for this career?

Outlook: \_\_\_\_\_ Job Openings \_\_\_\_\_ Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Growth: \_\_\_\_\_ Industries: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Is this a career that you would consider?  YES  NO

Why or why not? Be specific. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. Click on the **Military Options** tab. Does the military offer this career?  YES  NO

a. If yes, list the branches of military service that offer this career:

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Click on the **Connections** tab. Name 2 or 3 other **Connections** related to this career, i.e., associations, Internet sites:

\_\_\_\_\_

9. You can search for jobs in this career in North Dakota and nationally on the **Connections** page. What job banks are offered when you choose North Dakota?

North Dakota: \_\_\_\_\_

National: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Click on the **Interview** tab. If provided, read through the **Interview** for this career. After reading the Interview, do you think this career sounds like what you thought it would be?  YES  NO

11. Click on the **Real-Life Activities** tab. Complete the **Real-Life Activities** for this career. What are your results?

Real-Life Math Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Real-Life Decision-Making Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Real-Life Communication Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>Other Activities:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Compare to Another Career</li><li>2. Complete a Career Plan</li></ol>	<p><b>What questions do you still have?</b></p>
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