FIGURING OUT WHAT YOU WANT TO DO

Selecting a major or career path is one of the most significant decisions you will make as a student. As you engage in this process, you may feel overwhelmed by the many possibilities or feel stuck because nothing seems to fit. However, the career counselors at The Career Center are here to offer assistance. We encourage you to talk with us throughout the process!

WHAT’S INVOLVED IN A CAREER CHOICE?
Making good career path decisions requires good information about yourself, your options, and how to put it all together.

EVALUATE WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT YOURSELF
• Interests
  o EPICS Interest Explorer: epics.illinois.edu
• Skills
  o Motivated Skills Test: stewartcoopercoon.com/jobsearch/freejobsearchtests.phtml
  o EPICS Competency Builder: epics.illinois.edu
• Values
  o Career Values Assessment: stewartcoopercoon.com/jobsearch/career-values/
  o CIS Values Work Importance Locator: ilcis.intocareers.org

EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS
• What Can I Do With This Major: careercenter.illinois.edu/findingpath/whatmajor
• Discovering a Major at Illinois: dgs.illinois.edu/major-handbook
• Workshops Making a Major Decision, Major Decision Next Steps: careercenter.illinois.edu/workshop-catalog

EVALUATE YOUR OPTIONS AND MAKE A CHOICE
• Volunteer
  o Office of Volunteer Programs: union.illinois.edu/get-involved/office-of-volunteer-programs
  o Community Volunteer Opportunities: cuvolunteer.org
• Campus Involvement
  o Registered Student Organizations (RSOs): union.illinois.edu/get-involved/office-of-registered-organizations
  o Campus Jobs (Virtual Job Board): secure.osfa.illinois.edu/vjb
• Informational Interviews
  o careercenter.illinois.edu/interview/informational
• Summer Job/Internship Experience
  o Handshake @ Illinois: handshake.illinois.edu
• Mock Interviews
  o careercenter.illinois.edu/service/mock-interviews