

Student Worksheet: Work Values Career Assessment

Objective: Students will complete the Work Values assessment in order to compare and analyze the education levels and salary ranges of three careers of interest.

Warm-Up

- Fill in the chart below with a list of your teachers, coaches, club advisors, community service coordinators/facilitators/supervisors, etc., who could serve as positive and convincing career or college references. Identify the strengths you have that those references would write about or to which they would refer.

Reference	Position	My Strength(s)
<i>EXAMPLE: Ms. Sprint</i>	<i>EXAMPLE: track coach</i>	<i>EXAMPLE: leadership, team work, commitment</i>

- Sign in to **CaliforniaColleges.edu**, navigate to **My Plan** at the top of the page, and click **My Experiences**.
- Add your references to the appropriate **Experience**, **Skill**, or **Achievement**.

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- In **CaliforniaColleges.edu**, navigate to **Career** at the top of the page, and click on **Work Values** in order to complete the assessment.
- Click on **Show Matching Careers** and favorite (♥) any careers of interest that do not already have a heart.
- Go to **My Career Plan** and review your **Career List**; if your interests have changed over time, edit your list.

- Select three favored careers from your **Career List in My Career Plan**. Compare and contrast the education level and average salary. Then, follow the instructions below to determine the monthly income:

Career	Education Level Choose the first level that is listed as that is the most common education level for that career.	California Median Salary	Monthly Income Divide the average salary by 12 to calculate monthly income—before taxes—for each career.

- Respond to the following prompts: “Which of the three careers from the chart above appeals to you most? Explain. What can you do to build skills related to this career?”

- Note: The median salary for your careers of interest is baseline information you might use when creating a salary-based budget.