Uncertain about your major? Wondering which careers might be good matches for you? Career Services and your Career Counselor can help! Our online career interest assessments guide you to discover potential careers based on your unique personality traits and interests. Assessments take about 30 minutes each to complete.

The Strong Interest Inventory compares your interests across a variety of areas with those of people who are satisfied in their occupations. The underlying premise of the Strong is that if you share many common interests with persons in a certain occupation, you are more likely to enjoy their career than if you share fewer.

The other assessment we offer is the Myers Briggs Indicator which taps into personality style by comparing your preferences on four dimensions. Results of the interest assessments are sent to your Career Counselor, who has been trained and certified to interpret each of the assessments.

In addition, assessing your interests, clarifying your values, and reviewing your skills are equally important in exploring career paths and potential occupations. Your Career Counselor has tools to help you assess yourself in those areas as well.

After discussing the results of the assessments with your counselor, you’ll explore practical implications, such as: “Can I make a living at this?” “What kinds of training or degrees would I need to have?”

By looking for the overlap among interests, values, skills and practical needs, you’ll be able to narrow down potential career paths through your coursework, internships, job shadowing, and informational interviewing. Don’t wait and wonder! Call Career Services today for an appointment!

Making the Most of DuqConnection
It’s More than Just Job Postings!

Hopefully, you’ve heard about DuqConnection (duq.experience.com), our online database for job postings. But did you know there are many ways that you can use it to find jobs and hone your job search skills?

Beyond the job and internship postings, DuqConnection can help you in a number of different ways. First of all, you can find information on all of Career Services’ events on the homepage of DuqConnection. By clicking on one of the events in the left sidebar, you’ll see the time and location, a description of the event, and which employers are affiliated.

There are also lots of helpful links to help you develop your job search skills. For example, at the bottom of the page you will find the Salary Wizard, which can help you navigate that awkward moment when an employer asks you how much you want to be paid. There are also links to great sites like Internships.com, Google, and all of the Experience network resources.

Finally, by uploading your résumé to your DuqConnection profile, you can be sure that your Career Counselor will receive it. Résumés are printed each business day and given to the appropriate Career Counselor, who will then review it and let you know if they’d like to meet with you and discuss changes.