

CAREER RESEARCH REPORT & ORAL PRESENTATION

Due Date:

To Be Announced

If you need to be absent on the due date, e-mail your paper to me at mdesaracho@saddleback.edu

Point Value:

This is a major assignment worth a total of 200 points.

Written Career Report is worth 100 points.

Oral Presentation is worth 100 points.

Format:

There are two integral parts to this assignment – Written & Oral.

Written report must be at least 3 pages long, double spaced, type written in paragraph form, font size #12. Staple report together or place it in a folder. Include a cover sheet stating your name, class title, days & time class meets, and the title of the report. Include a bibliography citing the sources of where you obtained your information. You can also use an interview with a person in your career of interest as one of your sources of information. For computer sources, list the Web address and date accessed.

Oral presentation must be 2 to 3 minutes long. Your presentation must include an oral summary of your findings. While presenting to your classmates, be candid, creative, honest and informative. After conducting your career research, you may realize that you may or may not enjoy pursuing that particular career. This is acceptable since you have given yourself the opportunity to explore and examine your chosen career. Your grade will not reflect whether or not you would enjoy this career choice. Please share your findings and discoveries with your peers in class.

Purpose:

This exercise helps students to think about their ideal career and to make a well thought out decision about a career. As an AP 140 student this semester, you have assessed your personality type, learning style, interests, skills, and values. You should have given some thought to a career that compliments your personal style and attributes. Now, you are given the opportunity to conduct extensive research on a career of your choice or of one suggested to you by your career assessments. It is important to compile as much information about a career of your choice, and evaluate the appropriateness of this career for you.

Sources of Information:

Occupational and career information is available from a variety of sources such as:

- People employed in your field of interest
- Professors in related areas
- Counselors
- Career Guidance Center
- Library
- Internet

Content:

After choosing a career that interests you or one suggested by the career assessments taken in class, you must answer the following questions:

- Description of career
- What are the typical job duties
- Necessary personal interests, personality types or skills required
- What are the educational requirements
- Qualifications, preparation and training
- Earnings (obtain local and national data)

- Employment outlook
- Related occupations
- What are some advantages and/or disadvantages of working in this career?
- What interesting facts did you discover?
- Discuss why this career would or would not be a good prospect for you.
- Explain what you have concluded and why.