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**College OPTIONS FREE Career Map To Success**

1. **Career Assessment-Complete through your school career center or through links below: A)** [**http://www.unlockmyfuture.org/**](http://www.unlockmyfuture.org/) **B)** [**http://www.cacareercafe.com/major2career/**](http://www.cacareercafe.com/major2career/)

**C)** [**https://www.cacareerzone.org/**](https://www.cacareerzone.org/)

1. **Research Results-After determining a career fit or more refined direction continue to research by verifying, analizing and confirming through the following links: A)**[**https://www.bls.gov/ooh/**](https://www.bls.gov/ooh/) **B)** [**http://www.cacareercafe.com/**](http://www.cacareercafe.com/) **C)**[**https://mappingyourfuture.org/planyourcareer/careership/search.cfm**](https://mappingyourfuture.org/planyourcareer/careership/search.cfm)
2. **Secure a related Job Information Interview or even a possible internship: A) Contact your counselor or College OPTIONS advisor. B) If applicable register on the Reach Higher Shasta web site:** [**http://www.reachhighershasta.com/**](http://www.reachhighershasta.com/)
3. **After securing a final career direction, determine your major or education plan: A)**[**https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/majors-careers**](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/majors-careers) **B)** [**http://www2.assist.org/exploring-majors/Welcome.do**](http://www2.assist.org/exploring-majors/Welcome.do)
4. **After securing your education plan research compatible institutions: A)**[**https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search**](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search) **B)**[**https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/**](https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/) **C)** [**https://www.trade-schools.net/**](https://www.trade-schools.net/) **D)**[**https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/how-to-find-your-college-fit/vocational-technical-and-career-institutions**](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/how-to-find-your-college-fit/vocational-technical-and-career-institutions) **E)** [**https://collegeoptions.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/College-Comparison-Decision-Tool.pdf**](https://collegeoptions.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/College-Comparison-Decision-Tool.pdf)
5. **APPLY to Applicable Institutions (usually in October/November of senior year):**

**A) htt**[**//admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/apply-online/**](http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/apply-online/) **B)** [**https://www2.calstate.edu/apply**](https://www2.calstate.edu/apply)

**C)** [**https://home.cccapply.org/**](https://home.cccapply.org/)

1. **Complete FAFSA in the Fall of senior year (no later than March 2nd of senior year) in order**

**to be considered for Cal Grant if applicable(**[**www.csac.ca.gov/cal-grants**](http://www.csac.ca.gov/cal-grants)**). As long as you are attending an approved institution you must complete a FAFSA every school year.** [**https://fafsa.ed.gov/**](https://fafsa.ed.gov/)

1. **Attend your schools Financial Aid Night and Cash for College Event to receive free information on financial aid and scholarships:** [**https://www.csac.ca.gov/cash-college**](https://www.csac.ca.gov/cash-college)
2. **Seek FREE Financial Aid assistance from your counselor and College OPTIONS before completing FAFSA: https://collegeoptions.org/financial-aid/**
3. **After receiving acceptance from your institution you will receive an Award Letter outlining your financial aid offer. Seek FREE assistance:** [**www.collegeoptions.org**](http://www.collegeoptions.org) ***rev. 10-9-18***