



# Career Research Paper

**Due Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Point Value:** This is a major project worth \_\_\_\_\_ Points

**Format:** 3 pages, double-spaced, typed, #12 or #11 font

**Content:**

1. For the Career Research Paper, choose a career that interests you or one suggested by the career assessment done in the class. Answer these questions:
  - Describe the career. What are the typical job duties?
  - Why are you interested in this career?
  - Are certain personality types or skills required? How does your personality type match this career or not?
  - What are the interest codes for this career? How does your interests and values match this career?
  - What are some advantages and disadvantages of working in this career?
  - What type of environment will you be working in?
  - What is a typical day, week, month, year?
  - What is the pay?
  - What is the job outlook? (Find a job advertisement on this career and paste it on a piece of paper or download it from a website)
  - What are the educational requirements? Licensures?
  - What are related majors or majors needed for this career?
  - What are related occupations for this career?
  - What are the growth opportunities?
  - What interesting facts did you discover?
2. To research your career, use at least 4 sources of information (2 computer, 1 book, one informational interview). You may use a career center/library, the College Success Web Site at <http://www.cuyamaca.edu/collegesuccess/research.asp>, Blackboard resources I have listed, my website at [www.cuyamaca.edu/cindymorrin](http://www.cuyamaca.edu/cindymorrin), the PDC website at <http://www.cuyamaca.edu/pdc/College.asp>, the CHOICES (bridges) assessment, the DWYA (Do What You Are) assessment, and more.
3. Include a "Works Cited" listing of the sources you used. For computer sources, list the Web address and date accessed.
4. As one of your sources of information, use an interview with a person in your career of interest (your informational interview). I have given you tips on how to do an informational interview and you will upload a summary and questions you asked at your informational interview in the Discussion Board this week. Don't forget to write a "thank you" note to the person you interviewed.