

Using the Career Search Tool

The most important step in any journey is deciding where you want to go. CaliforniaColleges.edu's **Career Search Tool** helps you find the right career path by figuring out what you want to be and what it will take for you to get there.

Explore careers that match your interests and learn what they involve, what kind of pay and growth potential they offer and what education and skills you will need to pursue them.

- To access the tool, sign into your account, hover over **Career** in the top menu, and click **Career Search Tool**.
- Once in the tool, you can search careers using keywords, by industry, or based on **Bright Outlook**, which identifies occupations that are expected to see growth in the near future. Clicking the search button provides you with a list of careers that are connected to or closely related to your search.
- You can choose two careers and compare them, and, if you are signed in to your account, you can favorite careers using the **Heart** icon on the right side of the search results. This allows you to come back to them later without having to search again.
- Clicking on a career shows its responsibilities, activities, needed academic knowledge, and related careers. You can see what majors are recommended to pursue the career and find colleges that offer them, as well as other required skills, average salaries, and growth potential.

The screenshot displays the Career Search Tool interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'My Plan', 'College', 'Career', and 'Financial Aid'. Below this, a user profile for 'John I. 12th' is shown. The main area is divided into sections: 'Financial Aid' with a 'My Financial Aid Plan' button, 'Career Interests' with a 'Career Search Tool' button, and 'Career Options' with a 'Choose a Career' button. A table of career results is shown below, with columns for 'Career', 'Education', 'Salary', and 'Growth'. The table lists four careers: 'Business Development', 'Business Systems Administration', 'Mathematical Science', and 'English Language and Literature'. Each row includes a checkbox, a heart icon, and a 'Compare' button. Below the table, there are tabs for 'Career Overview', 'More Related Careers', and 'More on Salary & Education'. The 'Career Overview' tab is selected, showing 'Responsibilities' and 'Work Activities' for the chosen career.

Career	Education	Salary	Growth
Business Development	Master's Degree Doctoral Degree Post-Secondary Certificate	\$ 85,000	New & Emerging
Business Systems Administration	Doctoral Degree Bachelor's Degree Master's Degree	\$ 87,000	
Mathematical Science	Bachelor's Degree Master's Degree Doctoral Degree	\$ 75,000	Grow Rapidly
English Language and Literature	Less than a High School Diploma Doctoral Degree Master's Degree	\$ 68,000	

That's all it takes. Now you can use the Career Search Tool to explore your future and discover the career path that's right for you.

To learn more about how CaliforniaColleges.edu can help you smooth your college and career path, visit [CaliforniaColleges.edu/#/help](https://californiacolleges.edu/#/help)

Video instructions on how to use the Career Search tool are available at vimeo.com/californiacolleges/career-search