Career Awareness Experience

- **DEFINITION AND INSTRUCTIONS**



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NYSED has determined that up to twenty (20) hours of a WBL experience and/or total WBL hours can be delivered through career awareness activities*.

Career awareness experiences include:

Career fairs: There must be documentation of interaction with various business/industry partners. This can be done through a sign-off sheet, interactive activity, or other methods to verify that interactions took place. Documentation of the experiences should also be kept in the student's file.

Career interest assessments: There must be some sort of student reflection on the assessments as to how the findings of the assessment lines up with their postsecondary plans. Documentation of the experiences should also be kept in the student's file.

Guest speakers: There must be documentation of interaction with the business/industry partner. There must be some sort of student-generated reflection on the guest speaker's presentation and how it can be applied to their postsecondary plans. Documentation of the experiences should also be kept in the student's file.

Industry-related credentials: The industry credential being worked on should be related to the student's postsecondary plans. Documentation of the credential and time spent working on it should also be kept in the student's file.

Industry tours: There must be documentation of interaction with the business/industry partner. There must be some sort of student-generated reflection on the industry tour and how it can be applied to their postsecondary plans. Documentation of the experiences should also be kept in the student's file.

In order for students to receive WBL hours, students must complete the 'Career Awareness Experience' form or 'Industry-Related Credential' form and have his/her instructor's signature.