CaliforniaColleges.edu Student Guide

Career Assessments • Career Search • Major & College Search

You already have a free CaliforniaColleges.edu account. Sign in with your school Google account, take the career assessments, then use your results to search careers, majors, and colleges. CaliforniaColleges.edu is California's official college and career planning platform. Everything you save stays in your account through graduation, and you will launch your UC, CSU, community college, and financial aid applications from here later.



1 Sign in with Google

Use the same school Google account you use on your Chromebook. No new password is needed.

1. Go to **www.CaliforniaColleges.edu**.
2. Click **Sign In** in the top-right corner.
3. Click the **Sign in with Google** button (white box with the Google logo).
4. Choose your **school email** — not a personal Gmail.
5. You land on your student dashboard. Use **Sign in with Google** every time.

> **Tip:** If the wrong Google account appears, sign out of personal Gmail first or open an Incognito window.

2 Take the Career Assessments

From your dashboard, click **Career** in the top menu, then **Career Assessments**. Pick one, click **Get Started**, and answer honestly — there are no wrong answers. Results save automatically.

Assessment	What it tells you	Done
Interest Profiler ★	Which work activities you enjoy, then a list of matching careers	☐
Work Values	What matters most to you in a job (pay, creativity, coworkers), then careers that fit	☐
Skills	Your current strengths and the careers that use them	☐
Personality	How you learn, communicate, and decide (~15 min), with matching careers, salary, and growth	☐
Intelligences	How you think, solve problems, and come up with ideas	☐
Learning & Productivity	How and where you learn best (mainly for middle school)	☐

★ Start with the Interest Profiler — it gives the fastest list of career matches. To see results later, go back to Career → Career Assessments.

3 Search Careers

Use the **Career Search** tool (under **Career**) to research the careers your assessments suggested, or any career you are curious about.

1. Search by **keyword** (“nurse,” “engineer”), by **industry**, or browse **Bright Outlook** careers that are growing fast.
2. Open a career to see what the job involves, typical **salary**, **job growth**, and the **education and skills** required.
3. Click the **heart** icon to save careers to your **Career List** in My Plan.
4. Note the **related majors** on each career page — they connect directly to Step 4.

Goal: save at least **3 careers** to your Career List.

4 Search Majors & Colleges

Turn your career list into a college plan with the **Major Search** and **College Search** tools (under **College**).

Major Search

1. Search a major tied to a saved career (Nursing, Computer Science, Welding Technology).
2. Read what it involves, then see **which colleges offer it**.
3. Favorite majors to save them to My Plan.

College Search

1. Search public and private nonprofit colleges in California and across the U.S.
2. **Filter** by location, size, type (community college, CSU, UC, private, trade), cost, and majors.
3. Open a profile to check admissions, costs, and programs.
4. **Compare** colleges, then click the **heart** to add them to your College List.

Goal: save **2 majors** and **3 colleges** — at least one community college, one CSU or UC, and one other option.

My Checklist

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Date: _____

- ☐ Signed in with my school Google account
- ☐ Completed the Interest Profiler
- ☐ Completed at least one more assessment
- ☐ Saved 3 careers to my Career List
- ☐ Saved 2 majors connected to those careers
- ☐ Saved 3 colleges to my College List

My top 3 career matches: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

One major that leads to my #1 career: _____

One college that offers that major: _____

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