

CAREER RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT

Due: March 31, 2011

Use the resources provided to you by the Career Center to gather as much of the following information about a career you are interested in pursuing. Try to address as many of the questions below as possible. **You are required to answer the “Conclusion” questions.**

1. Education & Training
 - a. What is the minimum education required for this job? Maximum?
 - b. How many years of study are involved? At what cost?
 - c. Where would you obtain this education? (On-the-job training, technical school, college, or university?)
 - d. What are the entrance requirements for this school? How many years will you need to complete?
2. Job Skills, Talents, & Experience
 - a. What special skills, talents, or personality traits are necessary for this occupation?
 - b. Where could you gain experience now for this career?
 - c. In what ways are you suited for this career?
 - d. What personality characteristics or skills do you currently possess that you believe will benefit you in this career?
3. Earnings
 - a. What is the standard beginning wage for this job in San Diego? Elsewhere?
 - b. What is the maximum salary you can expect in San Diego? Elsewhere?
 - c. What factors affect the salary range?
 - d. What expenses are involved in setting yourself up in this profession?
 - e. How can these costs be financed?
4. Benefits/Health Factors
 - a. What health benefits are available to employees?
 - b. What health and safety issues are involved in this occupation?
 - c. What other benefits might this occupation include: vacation time, retirement plan, perks?
5. Employment
 - a. What is the prospect for employment in this occupation?
 - b. What factors influence the availability of jobs in this field?
 - c. What is the growth potential for this job?
6. Typical Day
 - a. Describe a typical day for a person in this job.
 - b. What are the usual hours?
 - c. What are the best parts of the day?
 - d. What would be the most challenging?
7. Conclusion
 - a. What did you learn that you didn't know before?
 - b. Do you still think this is a good career for you?
 - c. What else would you like to know?
8. Works Cited
 - a. Attach a page with a list of the resources you used to gather all your information.