

Advance Assignments

Assignment 13: Choose an Occupation with AKCIS

Directions: Use the AKCIS web site to investigate career choices and occupations. Create a word processing file to write your answers. Bring your work with you to your session.

1. On the Internet, sign on to the Alaska Career Information System site:
<http://akcis.intocareers.org>.
2. Login by using your school name and password, or use serrctr, and 2akcis.
3. From the Occupations and employment section on the main page, choose “Occupation Sort.” Follow the directions to complete the sort. Describe what you have found out about occupations that might suit you in a paragraph or two.
4. Now go back to the main Career Information System page that shows the Occupations and Employment, Education and Training, and Assessment Tools. From the Occupations and Employment section, choose the Occupations item that is just above Occupation Sort. This lists occupations by title. Explore three possible occupations you have learned about from completing the occupation sort. Summarize what you have learned about at least one occupation that might work for you.
5. Here’s another resource for helping to choose an occupation: Choose the Job Search component from the Occupations and Employment section of the front page. In Step 1, Choose an Occupation, there are two sections that will help you pinpoint a possible occupation. First, spend some time with the “Ways to choose an occupation” section. As you can see, you can print a version of this section if you want a hard copy. Write a short paragraph or list that summarizes some useful information you learned about yourself and a possible occupation.
6. Now go to the “Identify your Skills” section from Step 1: Choose an Occupation. The second paragraph of the overview gives you instructions for using this section. After you have identified some of your important skills, use the suggestions in this paragraph to report on what you have learned. Now back up to the main menu.
7. Finally, take a look at the “Career Pathways” section in the Education and Training component from the front page. Choose one of the six areas that best fits what you have learned about possible occupation interests, and explore it a bit. Discuss one or two important facts you have learned in relation to your possible occupation.
8. You’ve learned a lot about yourself and possible occupations. Be prepared to discuss what you’ve learned from this lesson with your fellow students during session classes.

